MINUTES CARTHAGE ESD #317 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 19, 2015

The regular meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Brent Ufkes.

Roll call: Mrs. Graham/present; Mr. Ufkes/present; Mr. Blue/present; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/present; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/present.

There were no additional agenda items.

Tyler DeSotel was acknowledged as wishing to speak on agenda item 7C.

Administrative Reports: Mrs. Hardy gave an overview of the teacher institute days and the presentations that were given.

Mrs. Pepple reported that volunteers are starting to sign up for PALS and she is working on a schedule for that. She reported some issues with student dismissal and the conflict with the high school students being dismissed at the same time. She will work on staggering the schedule to alleviate that problem.

Mr. Butcher noted that the new speed trailer had been placed in front of the middle school and was slowing traffic down considerably.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Huston to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Kindergarten class: Tyler DeSotel addressed the board with his continuing concerns over the large kindergarten class size. He offered a referendum as an option and volunteered to help with that in any way he could. Mrs. Wildrick voiced some of her concerns with the larger class sizes. Mrs. Hardy reviewed the figures from our recent audit and explained the financial situation. She will be attending a seminar next month that will discuss the proposed property tax freeze and how the implementation of PTELL (tax caps) will impact our district. Questions were answered.

Middle School Roof: Repair to the leaking roof was discussed. The project will probably not take place until next summer.

Building Walk-through: In general, the buildings look very good.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mrs. Graham that the Board of Education approve the administration placing the preliminary budget on display for 30 days to precede the budget hearing. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Graham to enter into executive session at 8:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mr. Blue and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to exit executive session at 8:36 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Graham that the Board of Education approve Rita Howard as a bus driver according to the pay scale stated in the contract between Carthage Elementary School District #317 and Service Employee's International Union Local #73. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mr. Blue that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Christine Murphy as the 7/8th grade girls' basketball coach, effective immediately. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mr. Ufkes that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Traci Harrell as the 5/6th grade girls' basketball coach, effective immediately. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Graham that the Board of Education employ Christine Murphy as a 5/6th grade girls' basketball coach at the certified contract rate. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mr. Blue and seconded by Mrs. Huston that the Board of Education employ Traci Harrell as a 7/8th grade girls' basketball coach at the certified contract rate. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mrs. Markley to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent; Mrs. Markley/yes. Motion carried 5-0.