

MINUTES  
CARTHAGE ESD #317  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 17, 2016

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: Trish Markley/present; Amy Graham/present; Brent Ufkes/present; Ryan Blue/present; Robert Menn/present; Sherry Huston/present; Brad Gooding/absent.

Additional agenda items: Mrs. Graham made a motion that a discussion item be added to the agenda recognizing that an email was received from a parent on January 29, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Huston and it was added to the agenda as item 8E. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.

Recognition of individuals wishing to speak on stated agenda items: David Pistorius from First Midstate was here to present information to the board regarding the issuance of bonds.

Administrative Reports – Mrs. Hardy reviewed her report. She also reported that a company from Macomb would be giving us a quote soon for a video/lock system for the entry door to the primary school building. There was a brief discussion regarding Senate Bill 100.

Mrs. Pepple reviewed her report. She noted we now have 15 students from the high school volunteering in the classrooms. ALICE training will be held at the primary school on March 4<sup>th</sup> and permission slips will be sent home with students ahead of time.

Mr. Butcher reviewed his report and noted that the recent ALICE training at the middle school went well. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls' basketball team will be honored at the IHSA state girls' basketball game coming up soon. The recent donut fundraiser was a huge success and proceeds will be used to purchase equipment for the computer lab at the middle school.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mr. Blue to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Huston to approve the selection of First Midstate, Inc. as Underwriter and Chapman and Cutler LLP as bond and disclosure

counsel to the Underwriter with respect to the District's upcoming life safety bond issue. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.

Mrs. Markley read the Bond Resolution and David Pistorius gave a presentation to the board, outlining the resolution. It was then moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Graham to approve the Resolution providing for the issue of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2016, of the District, for the purpose of altering and reconstructing school buildings and purchasing and installing equipment therein for fire prevention and safety, energy conservation and school security purposes, and providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to approve the Teacher Evaluation Plan and Student Growth Guidebook as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.

Curriculum Advisory Committee - The middle school teachers met recently and worked on SLO's.

School Calendar - Vicki gave an overview of the calendar for next year, which is in the preliminary stages.

Middle School Roof - We are expecting a bid for the roof repair sometime in March.

Risk Management Plan - The plan was discussed and we will approve the plan in March.

Communicating information to the board - Mrs. Graham voiced her support to the administration for keeping the kids safe and for following board policy regarding bullying. She recommended an online bullying training course for board members and said our district was in line with what is being recommended. She felt the board, administration and teachers were doing a good job with the issue.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to enter into executive session at 7:52 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mrs. Markley to exit executive session at 8:15 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Blue and seconded by Mrs. Markley to approve the new one year elementary principal contract with a base salary of seventy thousand, two hundred and fifty one dollars (\$70,251.00) as presented, with Diane Pepple starting July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/yes; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/absent. Motion carried 6-0.