Minutes of the Board of Education of the FAYETTE R-III School District August 16, 2023 6:45 p.m.

Open Forum Tax Rate Hearing and Regular Board Meeting Fayette High School Media Center

Board Members Present: Gibbs, Hudson, Vandelicht, Wies, Stroupe, and Bentley In attendance: Superintendent Brent Doolin and Board Secretary Jessica Dodson, Administrators: Samie Hill, Abby Arnette, Ross Dobson, Cheri Huster, and Melissa Duren

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Vandelicht called the tax rate hearing of the Fayette R-III Board of Education to order at 6:51 p.m.

**OPEN FORUM TAX RATE HEARING:** Superintendent Doolin presented the information used to determine setting the tax rate for the 2023-2024 school year. Key factors relating to the tax rate include assessed valuation information supplied by the clerks of Howard and Boone Counties and subsequent calculations concerning the tax rate ceiling from the State Auditor's office. Superintendent Doolin recommended the tax rate be set at \$4.9962

Fund	2022 Tax Year	Fund	2023 Tax Year
Operating Levy	\$4.2200	Operating Levy	\$4.2200
Debt Service	.7762	Debt Service	.7762
Capital Projects	0000	Capital Projects	0000
Total	\$4.9962	Total	\$4.9962

Gibbs moved, Stroupe seconded to set the district rate at \$4.9962 for the 2023-2024 school year as presented by Superintendent Doolin.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Vandelicht called the regular meeting of the Fayette R-III Board of Education to order at 6:58 p.m.

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:** Hudson moved, Bentley seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

**PRINCIPAL REPORTS:** Daly Elementary Principal, Mrs. Hill highlighted new teacher training was August 15<sup>th</sup> and went very well. Back to school meetings such as district level, NWEA training, MUSIC Safe School training is all in full swing. The yearly theme for Daly this year is "Learning Adventure". Daly Open House is August 17<sup>th</sup>. Enrollment numbers are continuing to go up.

Clark Middle School Principal, Mrs. Arnette shared the sixth grade orientation was held on Aug 15th. The Clark Middle School's Open house will be on Aug 17th. Mrs. Arnette shared CMS Core Teachers met in June for Curriculum Camp for revising curriculum focused on learning targets and meaningful assessments. Back to School Falcon Focus was sent to families beginning of August. This communication highlighted the changes taking place in the CMS building, as well as highlight of handbook changes. Projected enrollment is 159 students.

Fayette High School Principal, Mr. Dobson reported DCI conference in St. Louis has helped create two leadership teams within the buildings. This has helped set goals and accomplishing the building goals. The building Leadership Team met on August 16<sup>th</sup> and discussed monthly Falcon assemblies to acknowledge the students with 90% attendance or higher. Freshman Parent Orientation will be held August 17<sup>th</sup>. Meet the Falcons will also be held on August 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Football will kick off with a jamboree at Central Methodist August 18<sup>th</sup>. Softball jamboree will be held at the softball field on August 22<sup>rd</sup>. Principal Dobson included an athletic event schedule for the fall sports. Projected enrollment is 203.

Summer School Report received positive feedback. Turn out of students was in a good range. Attendance Elementary 155 students. High School 10 Students (Credit Recovery).

PAT yearly report indicated during the 2022-2023 school year PAT provided services to 45 families, including 57children. 351 total personal visits were provided. PAT offers in home provision services and also reached out to daycares. PAT Play Center continues to be open weekly.

Summer Maintenance & Transportation report by Mr. Beeler was given. The windows and doors are mostly done. Mr. Beeler reported that the a/c in the middle school kitchen is almost done and hopes to have it completed by the week. Perry Legend has finished the trip bus and will be able to use it this fall.

Superintendent Mr. Doolin's report stated that we have received federal funds for title I.A, Title II.A, Title IV.A, and Title V.B. CSIP Goal 2 is utilizing Missouri United School Insurance Council MUSIC Safe School training. The normal 3 day agenda was packed full for teachers. The Annual Secretary of the Board Report has been submitted to DESE.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

Jackie Besgrove, Board Treasurer/Bookkeeper provided the Annual Secretary of the Board Report for approval. The annual report shows an actual unrestricted balance of \$5,616,952.50. The final unrestricted fund balance as of June 30, 2023 is 60.21%. This percent is based upon the final unrestricted balance of Fund 1 and Fund 2. Gibbs motioned to approve the 2022-2023 Annual Secretary of the Board Report, Stroupe seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Doolin and Mr. Beeler recommended approval of the following bids for the 2023-2024 school year: \*\*Home Oil Company's bid on van and truck tires and Jireh for bus tires. Stroupe moved to approve the bids as recommended, Hudson seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Doolin and Mr. Beeler recommended approval of\*\*Wright's Oil Service bid on Fuel (gas and diesel) and motor oil. Stroupe moved to approve the bid as recommended, Hudson seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Bentley abstained.

Superintendent Doolin recommended approval of the 2023-2024 tuition rate being set at \$10,950.00 per student, per year. This rate is determined utilizing a DESE calculation tool, which changes annually based upon expenditures and average daily attendance from the

prior year. This rate applies to any student who attends, but resides within another school district's boundary. Hudson motioned to approve as recommended, Stroupe seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Doolin recommended approval of the grant application: Fayette Common Fund for \$3,200 for the Imagination Library- Dollywood Foundation. Stroupe motioned to approve the grant application as recommended, Gibbs seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Doolin recommended approval MARE (Missouri Association of Rural Education) participation. Hudson motioned to approve as recommended the approval Bentley seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Doolin recommended 2023 Safe Return to In Person Learning guidelines. Bentley motioned to approve as recommended, Gibbs seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Doolin recommended surplus of old football jerseys and football helmets. Gibbs motioned to approve as recommended, Wies seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Doolin recommended the approval of MOREnet EDR contract. Gibbs motioned to approve as recommended, Bentley seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

## ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Stroupe motioned, Bentley seconded, to go into closed session according to Section 610.021 (3) (13) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for the purpose of hiring, firing, discipline, or promoting personnel for the Fayette R-III School District. Voice vote: Bentley yes, Stroupe yes, Wies yes, Vandelicht yes, Hudson yes, and Gibbs yes. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:48 p.m.

## MOTION TO ADJOURN

Roy D. Vandelicht, Jr.

Gibbs motioned, Stroupe seconded, to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Voice vote: Gibbs yes, Hudson yes, Vandelicht yes, Wies yes, Stroupe yes, Bentley yes. Motion carried 6-0.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY