**Minutes of the Board of Education of the FAYETTE R-III School District**

**May 16, 2018 6:30 p.m.**

**Open Session Board Meeting**

**Fayette High School Media Center**

Present- Board Members Gose, McSwain, Howell, Young, Anderson, Hudson, Stroupe

Superintendent Tamara Kimball, Board Secretary Trish Elliott

Administrators: Patrick Tray, Brent Doolin, Cheri Huster and Jill Wiseman

President Gose called the regular meeting of the Fayette R-III Board of Education to order at 6:35 p.m. Mr. Gose presented retiring board member Tim Jackman with a plaque and thanked him for his 19 years of service to our district.

**Spotlights:** Student Representatives, Clara Asher and Jessamin McSwain shared the many athletics and activities ending the school year. The HS band will be headed to Washington D.C. on May 24th and return on the 29th.

**Approve Consent Agenda:** Anderson moved, Howell seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

**Principal Reports:** Daly Elementary Principal, Mrs. Huster reported an enrollment of 63 in Preschool and 269 in K-5th grades. 96% of DES students were in attendance 90% of the time in April. Daly Elementary was featured as a spotlight school in April for the successful implementation of the PLC process in a monthly news brief on MOPLC.org. Daly Elementary has received a Spring 2018 Lowe’s Toolbox for Education Grant in the amount of $5000 for the project “Hopping to Success with Math and Literacy”. This grant will be used to purchase intervention materials primarily in Math and for a parent curriculum night.

Clark Middle School Principal, Mr. Doolin reported an enrollment of 134 for grades 6-8. 81.3% of CMS students were in attendance 90% of the time in April. The middle school completed a successful administration of MAP testing. Daily incentives were offered to students during the testing. NJHS provided snacks for the students. Teachers and students were flexible and patient through the 6 days of testing.

Fayette High School Principal, Mr. Tray reported an enrollment of 172 in grades 9-12. 83.1% of FHS students were in attendance 90% of the time in April. FHS graduated 43 students on May 11th. Three of them via the Missouri Options Program. There were 18 A+ students, and eight of the graduates were recognized with Cum Laude honors. Summer School letters have been sent to parents to inform them about the credit recovery options available.

**Curriculum Report:** Mrs. Wiseman shared this was the first year for the new ELA and Mathematics Grade-Level and EOC assessments based on the Missouri Learning Standards adopted in 2016. This being the first year of administration, the standard-setting process will take place this summer. Once that process is complete, performance-level cut scores for the assessments will be proposed to the State Board of Education. Following State Board approval of performance levels, we will receive assessment results. It will likely be late fall before we are able to return score reports to our students and parents. Also this year DESE administered field tests in biology and 5th and 8th grade science. Since these were field tests, no student scores will be returned for any of the science assessments this year. The Government EOC was the only assessment not affected by the new standards this year, and the results of these assessments have been received and score reports were sent home with students.

**Superintendent’s Report:** Superintendent Kimball shared Clark Middle School Schoolwide Positive Behavior Supports has earned Bronze Level Recognition. This is recognition for the efforts made in training staff, and working with students and parents. There will be a Missouri SW-PBS School Recognition ceremony at TanTarA in June. An update was given on the legislature voting to fully fund the foundation formula with a reduced SAT, but reminded the board that it would not impact districts who are Hold Harmless like the Fayette District. Enrollment has dropped by 31 students since the beginning of the school year. With continued declining enrollment and our payment based upon attendance, we continue to receive less money from the state. Revenues have not come in this year as expected. Plans are to present a preliminary budget to the board in June.

Discussion took place on the district’s transportation plan that calls for trading in an older, high mileage bus for a new bus in the 2018-2019 school year. This would be a capital expenditure that does not impact our year end percent fund balance. It was decided to hold off on purchasing a new bus in the 2018-2019 school year.

An option of increasing the tax levy to bring in additional tax revenues was discussed. The board will have a work session on May 23rd at 6:30 p.m. to discuss this issue further.

MSBA Report was viewed.

**New Business- Discussion/Action Items:**

Dr. Kimball recommended approval of a matching grant submission to Midway Arms in support of the Trapshooting Team. McSwain moved to approve, Stroupe seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Kimball recommended acceptance of the Lowe’s Toolbox for Education Grant in the amount of $5,000 for Daly Elementary. Anderson moved to accept, Stroupe seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Kimball recommended approval for submission of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Fueled by Launch with the Springfield School District for a one time membership fee of $1,000. This would allow course access for school district and families in need of flexible and personalized learning options. An additional benefit of this is the opportunity for teachers in member districts to teach in the program during the summer or each semester to boost their income also. Anderson moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Fueled by Launch, Howell seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Dr. Kimball recommended approval of the Bond Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Issuance, Sale and Delivery Of General Obligation Bonds (Missouri Direct Deposit Program), Series 2018, Of Fayette R-III School District Of Howard County, Missouri. Mr. Matt Deleo, Financial Advisor, presented information to the board on the 6 bids received to handle the sale of the bonds.Anderson moved to accept the bid from Commerce Bank to handle the sale of the bonds, Young seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Anderson moved to adopt the Bond Resolution as presented and to authorize signing of the documents, McSwain seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

**Other Business:**

The annual MSBA Leadership Summit will be held June 1-3, 2018 at TanTarA.

**Adjourn To Closed Session:**

Hudson moved, Young seconded, to go into closed session according to Section 610.021 (3) (13) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for the purpose of discussing student records, and hiring, firing, discipline, or promoting of personnel employed by the Fayette R-III School District. Voice vote was taken with the following vote: Howell yes, Young yes, Gose yes, McSwain yes, Stroupe yes, Hudson yes, and Anderson yes. Motion passed 7-0. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:12 p.m.

**Motion to Adjourn**

Howell moved, McSwain seconded to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Voice vote was taken with the following vote: Howell yes, Young yes, Gose yes, McSwain yes, Stroupe yes, Hudson yes, and Anderson yes. Motion passed 7-0.

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