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

**February 17, 2021 6:30 p.m.**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**Fayette High School Media Center**

Board Members Present: Vandelicht, Hudson, Stroupe, Overfelt, Bentley, Wies

Attending by Zoom: Young. Principal Tray, Matt Deleo-Sentry Financial

Present: Superintendent Jill Wiseman, Board Secretary Trish Elliott. Admin: Brent Doolin, Cheri Huster, Gary & Kelly Beeler, Paula Volkmann

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Vandelicht called the regular meeting of the Fayette R-III Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m. The order of action items was adjusted to put the mask Mandate discussion as the first item.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Amy Nation spoke to the board on the Mask Mandate.

Cards and posters from the students were shared with board members and Superintendent Wiseman presented members with certificates in honor of School Board Recognition Week. She thanked them for their dedicated leadership and continuing service to the school district.

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

**FOOD SERVICE REPORT:** Paula Volkmann, Food Service Director reported an increased number of breakfasts and lunches served. All breakfasts are served “Grab & Go”. Lunch numbers are slightly up and we are now serving pre-school students lunch. She commended her experienced and caring staff. Their work provides a smooth running and efficient work environment. She shared improvement ideas and needs for the kitchen.

**PRINCIPAL REPORTS:** Daly Elementary Principal, Mrs. Huster highlighted winter benchmark scores. The fifth Falcon Fest on the year awarded students of the month for Integrity and the academic award was for Writing. Elementary enrollment is 276 with 40 in Preschool. 88% of DES students attended 90% of the time in January as compared to 85% in attendance in January 2020.

Clark Middle School Principal, Mr. Doolin’s report highlighted the NEE mid-year review of Professional Development Plans for teachers. Middle school enrollment is 132 and 88.6 % of CMS students were in attendance 90% of the time this school year.

Fayette High School Principal, Mr. Tray recognized students Wesley Miner and Miles Himmelmann for being selected to the 2021 All District band and four students attended the Missouri Welding Institute’s Annual Welding Competition in Nevada. Courtwarming festivities have been hindered by the weather and no school days this week, but plans are to have the game on Friday if the weather allows. National FFA Week is February 21-27th. High school enrollment is 182 with 83.5% of students in attendance at least 90% of the time.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:** Superintendent Wiseman’s report included dates for planned MAP assessments. The test window is tentative pending specific information on test window requirements and timing from DESE. Our district has received notification that we will be receiving the Workplace Wellness Mini-Grant through the MO Dept. of Health and Senior Services and she thanked Mrs. Swanson and Mrs. Spaeder for writing the grant application. Notification has been received from DESE that our allocation of funds from the newest stimulus package will be $560,573 to be used for allowable expenses. Current needs and how to address them through this funding are being reviewed.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Discussion took place on the Mask Mandate. A Wellness Committee meeting was set to continue the discussion. Overfelt and Wies were added as members to the Wellness Committee. No motion for action was taken.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the 2021-2022 Fayette High School Course Description Book as presented. Stroupe motioned to approve as recommended, Hudson seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the 2021 Summer School Session as follows: 16 total days- June 3-4, June 8-11, June 15-18, June 22-25, and June 29-30;

8:00-2:00 each day, Transportation provided, and Breakfast and Lunch provided for DES Upcoming Kindergarten through outgoing 5th grade students and CMS/FHS credit recovery on an as needed basis. Overfelt motioned to approve as recommended, Stroupe seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the 2021-2022 school calendar. The calendar has an August 24 start date and shows no school on Mondays with the 4-day school week. With the exceptions of the Mondays of Thanksgiving and Christmas weeks and Monday, April 11, school will be in session. The last day of school will be May 26. Stroupe motioned to approve the calendar as presented, Wies seconded. Motion carried.

The Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of the District’s General Obligation Refunding Bonds and Approving Related Agreements was presented. Matt Deleo with Sentry Financial was available through the zoom meeting to answer questions. Hudson motioned to approve the Resolution and Related Agreements as presented, Overfelt seconded the motion. Motion carried. This refinancing is expected to save the district approximately $200,000 over the life of the bond.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Wies motioned, Stroupe seconded, to go into closed session according to Section 610.021 (3)(13) of the Revised Statues of Missouri for the purpose of hiring, firing, discipline, or promoting of personnel for the Fayette R-III School District. Voice vote: Overfelt yes, Stroupe yes, Hudson yes, Vandelicht yes, Young yes, Wies yes, and Bentley yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:12 p.m.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Stroupe motioned, Hudson seconded, to adjourn at 9:45 p.m. Voice vote: Overfelt yes, Stroupe yes, Hudson yes, Vandelicht yes, Young yes, Wies yes, and Bentley yes. Motion carried.

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