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

**June 23, 2021 6:30 p.m.**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**Fayette High School Media Center**

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

Board Member Absent: Wies

Present: Superintendent Jill Wiseman, Board Secretary Trish Elliott, Admin: Brent Doolin, Cheri Huster, Patrick Tray

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Vandelicht called the regular meeting of the Fayette R-III Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:** Coach Oakley shared information on the HS Track season and the State Track Athletes were recognized.

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

**HEALTH SERVICES REPORT:** Nurse Kelly Beeler provided a detailed report of the busy school year with an overview of all services provided through her office. Minimal cases of strep throat occurred this year and no cases of influenza. She attributed those results to mask wearing, increased used of hand sanitizer and hand washing of the students and staff. She shared on the challenge of dealing with Covid 19. We were fortunate for the close collaboration with our local health department and physician offices. Contact tracing involved much time and was done for all positive cases identified.

**MAINTENANCE REPORT:** Gary Beeler reported on the projects taking place over the summer. Several projects have been completed so far, including painting the middle school lockers, some fencing, sidewalk repairs and window repairs and the new tilt skillet has been installed in the kitchen. The Daly/Clark back parking lot project and the new exhaust hood in the HS kitchen are projected to start the first part of July. Also, he will be installing upgrades to the scoreboard in the HS gym.

**TRANSPORTATION REPORT:** Mr. Beeler reported a daily average of 331 students riding the buses, which does include the in-town riders. The new bus is running flawlessly and has already exceeded 10,000 miles since adding it to the fleet in November. The ride share our district has with Glasgow and Higbee schools to MATC continued this year and has proven to offset our cost of traveling to Moberly.

**ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORTS:** Daly Elementary Principal, Mrs. Huster shared the grade level Fall, Winter and Spring Benchmark Comparisons for 2020-2021. She is pleased with what this data shows and the growth of the students. These numbers are good even a normal year and are amazing for the unusual year we’ve had. Thirty-five students were enrolled in the virtual learning program in grades K-5 first semester and twelve students in grades K-2 second semester. Communication with families was crucial in transitioning those students back to in-seat learning. A majority of these students are transitioning back to in-seat learning in the fall and families were very pleased with the opportunity to have a successful virtual experience. Summer school is off to a great start with 170 students currently enrolled and an average daily attendance of 138. Mrs. Huster shared a few parent testimonials regarding Falcon Club. Falcon Club has been a positive addition for our district this school year.

Elementary enrollment is 277 and 40 in Preschool. 87% of DES students attended 90% of the time in May and 94% of DES students were in attendance 90% of the time this school year.

Clark Middle School Principal, Mr. Doolin’s report highlighted the refurbishment of the CMS hallway lockers. Electro Painting completed the project in early June. We now have a sharp looking hallway in school colors. The CMS handbook has been updated for the 2021-2022 school year. Substantial changes were the addition of AMI and Virtual Learning Options, which were mandated. In addition, some discipline categories were separated and consequences were changed for certain behaviors in order for the consequences to be more reasonable and equitable in regard to the offense. Enrollment is currently 131 and 84.7% of CMS students attended 90% of the time the year.

Fayette High School Principal, Mr. Tray’s report highlighted Graduation, A+ students and Summer School. Credit recovery is offered at the HS to help students make up eligible classes. The ACT test was given at FHS on June 12. 16 students from FHS and 5 from neighboring districts sat for the exam. Enrollment was reported with 80% of students in attendance 90% of the time and 183 students enrolled at the high school.

The 2021-2022 building handbooks were presented for review.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:** Mrs. Wiseman’s report included recognition to Gary Beeler for his work in the district’s bus fleet receiving a 100% approval rating in the Missouri State Highway Patrol’s 2021 annual bus inspections. The Network for Educator Effectiveness annual administrator recertification training is open and all administrative team members will obtain recertification. This will be our 10th year utilizing this evaluation tool. Building handbooks have been updated to include information regarding AMI days. These Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) days will allow the district to utilize virtual or alternative methods of instruction for up to 36 hours of school time in circumstances such as inclement weather days.

Information on the 2021-2022 budget was shared.

**NEW BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS:**

Ms. Eschenbrenner requested approval for FFA members to attend the National FFA Convention in October 2021 in Indianapolis Indiana and included a detailed proposal. Stroupe motioned to approve the request per the proposal, Young seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service Plan. This is a revised version of our Re-Entry Plan. Board approval and posting on the district website is a requirement for receiving ESSER III funds. Hudson motioned to approve as recommended, Stroupe seconded. Motion carried.

Food Service Director Paula Volkmann recommended continuing with the following Food Service vendors for 2021-2022: Prairie Farms – milk products; Crown Linen – linen services; Kohl’s Wholesale, Primary and Graves Menu Maker, Secondary for frozen, cold, dry goods, produce and canned items; and Bimbo Bakery for bread products. Stroupe motioned to accept as recommended, Bentley seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the 2021-2022 meal prices, which are the same as this year. The USDA has extended pandemic universal free lunch for students through the 2021-2022 school year, so once again all student will be able to eat breakfast and lunch at no charge. Bentley motioned to approve as recommended, Hudson seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the 2020-2021 final budget amended to actual expense at the close of the 2021 school year. Young motioned to approve as recommended, Bentley seconded. Motion carried. Final budget information will be provided in August.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the FY’22 budget as presented. This budget includes updated information for revenues and expenditures currently known for the 2021-2022 school year. A budget amendment will be necessary in September once updated financial information is available. Young motioned to approve the FY’22 budget as recommended. Stroupe seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Overfelt arrived 7:30 p.m.

Superintendent Wiseman, Mr. Doolin and Mr. Beeler recommended approval of the purchase of a Chrysler Voyager minivan in following our current transportation upgrade schedule. The 1994 Ford Econoline 150 van will be traded in. Stroupe motioned to approve the purchase and trade in as recommended. Hudson seconded. Motion carried.

A Policy Committee meeting was set for July 29 at 6:30 p.m. at the District Office.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Bentley motioned, Young 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 of personnel for the Fayette R-III School District. Voice vote: Stroupe yes, Young yes, Hudson yes, Vandelicht yes, Overfelt yes, and Bentley yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:43 p.m.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Stroupe motioned, Overfelt seconded, to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. Voice vote: Stroupe yes, Young yes, Hudson yes, Vandelicht yes, Overfelt yes, and Bentley yes. Motion carried.

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