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

**September 15, 2021 6:30 p.m.**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**Fayette High School Media Center**

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

Superintendent Jill Wiseman and Board Secretary Trish Elliott,

Administrators: Cheri Huster, Brent Doolin, Patrick Tray and Melissa Duren

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

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

**SPOTLIGHT:** Student Representative Laci Fuhlage’s report highlighted the busy happenings in sports and the extra-curricular activities.

**COUNSELOR’S REPORT:** Cassidy Spaeder, Daly/Clark Counselor reported on the guidance curriculum, individual planning, responsive services and system support of the guidance program and how each of these components are addressed and implemented through programs like Falcon Time, Olweus Bully Prevention Program and PBS- Positive Behavior Support. The school counselor coordinates the Buddy Back Pack program and works with Kids Hope USA to provide mentors for our students at risk for social or academic difficulties.

Jennifer Shepard, High School Counselor reported the goal of the Fayette High School Guidance Program is to address the academic, career development, and personal and social development of our students by providing a safe and positive learning environment within the school in which all students have the opportunity to learn. Programs offered include REALL (Reality Enrichment and Life Lessons Simulation), Career Awareness, Job Shadowing and Mock Interviews.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS REPORT:** Melissa Duren shared the five-year trends of student numbers served through the Special Education department along with the number of students receiving counseling, speech/language, occupational and physical therapy. The University of Missouri’s Pre-ETS Counselor, Debra Reed will again provide pre-employment transition services to high school students throughout the school year. Procedural changes have been implemented by the school district to meet compliance standards in the areas of Intellectual Disability identification and Other Health Impairment identification. Mrs. Duren added that the Special Education Department received an overall score of 4 out of 4, meeting requirements in implementing the requirements and purposes of the IDEA.

**PRINCIPAL REPORTS:** Daly Elementary Principal, Mrs. Huster’s report highlighted AIMSweb Plus universal screening information and data review. Benchmark scores will be included in the October report. Enrollment for DES is 293 with an additional 36 in Preschool. 95% of DES students were in attendance 90% of the time in August 2021.

Clark Middle School Principal, Mr. Doolin reported an enrollment of 134 students with one student online at this time. The new staff in the middle school building have taken the initiative to start building strong relationships and work together to meet the students’ needs. 90.3% of CMS students attended 90% of the time in August.

Fayette High School Principal, Mr. Tray’s report highlighted classroom upgrades of fresh paint and organization. The first school dance since Homecoming 2019 was the Sock Hop/Glow Dance, which took place after the first home football game and the seniors have claimed and painted their designated parking spaces. Enrollment for the high school is 189, with 89.4% of students attending 90% of the time.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:** Superintendent Wiseman provided enrollment numbers as of September 9, 2021

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|  | 293 (294 last year) | | | | | | 134 (135 last year) | | | 189 (192 last year) | | | |
| Total Enrollment: 616 or 652 w/PK (Last year was 621 , 662 w/ PK) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Last year we had a total increase in enrollment in K-12 by 38 students. We are holding steady this year with a slight decrease in overall enrollment. The district continues to partner with Burrell Behavioral Health to provide school based mental health services to our students. The 2020-2021 Audit was recently completed and should be finalized by October. Howard Electric Cooperative has donated $5,000 to our district; $2,000 will be going to the FFA Department, $2,000 is designated for our new scoreboard in the high school gym and the remaining $1,000 will be used as partial funding for one of the new interactive panels in an elementary classroom.

**ACTION ITEMS:** Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval of the Special Education Compliance Plan. Stroupe motioned to approve the Special Education Compliance Plan as submitted, Overfelt seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval to surplus 56 iPad 2’s and 49 cases.

Overfelt motioned to approve as recommended, Wies seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman recommended approval to add a 4th grade teaching position at Daly Elementary. The enrollment for that grade is up to 58 students. Adding another class at this grade level will take us down to the recommended MSIP6 Standard class ratio for 4th grade of 20 students/teacher. Overfelt motioned to approve as recommended, Young seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Wiseman brought a resolution to the board, which would extend eight paid leave days for staff due to COVID. This resolution will be retroactive to August 24, 2021 and go through May 26, 2022. Discussion took place, Hudson motioned to approve with amendments Bentley seconded. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Bentley motioned, Stroupe 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: Overfelt yes, Stroupe yes, Young yes, Hudson yes, Vandelicht yes, Wies yes, and Bentley yes. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:02 p.m.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Stroupe motioned, Young seconded, to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Voice vote: Overfelt yes, Stroupe yes, Young yes, Hudson yes, Vandelicht yes, Wies yes, and Bentley yes. Motion carried 7-0.

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