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Regular Board Meeting
January 12, 2009

The regular meeting of the Wickes School Board was called to order by President Doug Curtis at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Jerry Watkins, Doug Curtis, Scotty Polk, Linda Gillaspy, Barry Bailey, Jeff Cook, Rodney Saddler.

Others in attendance: Sylvia Lyle, Nettla Cureton, Dewayne Taylor, Allen Blackwell, Jerry Strasner, Marilyn Keith, Patsy Stewart, and approximately 45-50 people from the public.

It was announced that the board meeting would be tape recorded and there were no objections.

Motion was made by Linda Gillaspy and 2nd by Barry Bailey to approve the minutes of previous meeting. Vote: unanimous.

Motion was made by Jerry Watkins and 2nd by Rodney Saddler to approve the financial reports as presented. Vote: unanimous.

The board retired into executive session at 7:15pm and reconvened at 7:30pm.

Motion was made by Jerry Watkins and 2nd by Scotty Polk to approve the purchase of legal liability insurance (errors and omission). The premium for this year will be \$3819 and the policy will have a \$5000 deductible. Vote: unanimous.

Motion was made by Barry Bailey and 2nd by Linda Gillaspy to approve the transfer of Tanner Bailey and Dawson Cox from Wickes Schools to Cove Schools and the transfer of Amber Ashcraft from Cove Schools to the Wickes Schools. Vote: unanimous.

Motion was made by Rodney Saddler and 2nd by Jerry Watkins to approve the Reduction in Force policy for classified staff. It will go into effect July 1, 2009. Vote: unanimous.

Motion was made by Jerry Watkins and 2nd by Scotty Polk to postpone the building projects at the Wickes High School and at the Umpire Elementary School for 1 year at which time the district's budget and the building projects would be re-analyzed.

Vote: for-Jerry Watkins, Scotty Polk. Against-Rodney Saddler, Doug Curtis, Barry Bailey, Jeff Cook, Linda Gillaspay.

Motion was made by Barry Bailey and 2nd by Jeff Cook to go forward with the building projects. Vote: for-Linda Gillaspay, Doug Curtis, Rodney Saddler, Barry Bailey, Jeff Cook. Against-Jerry Watkins, Scotty Polk.

Motion was made by Linda Gillaspay and 2nd by Barry Bailey to approve the bids for the Umpire Elementary School building project. The bids for the Wickes High School project was over budget so the architect will get new bids for the Wickes High School project. Vote: unanimous.

Motion was made by Scotty Polk and 2nd by Jerry Watkins to grant Sharon Strasner's request for extended leave for 30 days effective immediately. Vote: unanimous.

The board retired into executive session at 8:20pm.
The board reconvened at 8:30pm.

Motion was made by Doug Curtis and 2nd by Jeff Cook to roll over Superintendent Allen Blackwell's contract. Vote: for-Doug Curtis, Jeff Cook, Jerry Watkins, Barry Bailey, Linda Gillaspay. Against-Scotty Polk, Rodney Saddler.

Motion was made by Scotty Polk and 2nd by Jeff Cook to adjourn. Vote: unanimous.

Board President
Doug Curtis

Board Secretary
Linda Gillaspay