

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNTAINBURG SCHOOL BOARD
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016**

6:00 P.M.

1. Call to order

Presiding officer was Brett Peters. Other board members present were Jason Watkins, Robin Willroth and Karen Patrick-Walker (arrived at 6:28 p.m.) Board member absent was Carol Pense. Administrators present were Dennis Copeland, Trisha Shepherd, Tandi Jones and Jason Rutherford.

2. Consent agenda (attachments)

A. Minutes of January meeting

B. Financial report

Willroth moved to approve the consent agenda with one correction to special meeting 1-25-16, Walker arrived at 5:07 p.m. Watkins seconded. Motion passed at 6:02 p.m.

3. Informational items

A. FCA presentation

Coach Zack Dean and Kassy Pense talked about what FCA has been doing this year. Kassy said 15-20 students were involved, participating in middle schools savers program and mentoring elementary students. Coach Dean said activities have all been student driven.

B. Guests-police officers

Copeland introduced Mountainburg chief of police Clamser and officer Breeden and they spoke to board about current police department activities and school involvement.

C. Guest-state representative candidate

Derek Goodlin, state representative candidate introduced himself and explained why he is running for this office.

D. Administrator comments

Rutherford said first big test ACT will be given to Jrs. on March 1 and 9th and 10th grades will be taking ACT Aspire in April. TARS club members will be talking to high school about voting processes. CAP conferences had a good turnout.

Jones said they are doing infrastructure testing next week. She said the FCA program of mentoring elementary students has been a big success. Jones also said students have been involved with raising funds to benefit the Sr. Citizen Center.

Shepherd said she will be checking professional development records.

4. Regular agenda

A. Bond refinance bids

Copeland recommended accepting the low bid from Raymond James & Associates Inc. for 2.156379 and to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Delivery of the \$3,375,000, Mountainburg School District No. 16 of Crawford County, Arkansas, Refunding Bonds dated March 1, 2016 and other documents pertaining thereto as prepared by the Friday, Eldredge & Clark Law Firm. (Bid document attached.) Willroth moved to accept the recommendation. Watkins seconded. Motion passed at 6:30 p.m.

Willroth moved to adopt the attached Resolution with the attached Post-Issuance Compliance Policy Manual and to appoint the District Treasurer to be in charge of the Post-Issuance Compliance Policy Manual. Watkins seconded. Motion passed at 6:32 p.m.

B. 2016-17 school calendar

Copeland recommended that the board approve Calendar B for 2016-17 which was preferred by majority of the staff. Willroth moved to approve the recommendation. Walker seconded. Motion passed at 6:34 p.m.

C. Executive session on personnel

Willroth moved to go to executive session. Walker seconded. Motion passed at 6:35 p.m.

Willroth moved to leave executive session. Watkins seconded. Motion passed at 7:12 p.m.

D. Resignation

Copeland recommended accepting the resignation of Natasha Hamilton as volunteer Sr. Cheerleader sponsor with regret. Willroth moved to accept with regret the resignation of Natasha Hamilton as volunteer Sr. Cheerleader sponsor effective at the end of this school year. Walker seconded. Motion passed at 7:13 p.m.

Copeland recommended accepting the resignation of Kymberlon Clark as assistant Jr.-Sr. basketball coach effective at the end of this school year. Willroth moved to approve recommendation. Watkins seconded. Motion passed at 7:14 p.m.

E. Superintendent's Professional Growth Plan for 2016-17

Copeland and board members discussed goals for superintendent's professional growth plan. (attached) Willroth moved to approve the superintendent's professional growth plan as presented and amended by the board. Walker seconded. Motion passed at 7:21 p.m.

F. Superintendent's contract

Willroth moved to extend the contract of Dennis Copeland, superintendent, another year through 2017-18. Watkins seconded. Motion passed at 7:21 p.m.

G. Board meeting-March

Consensus of board members to move regular March meeting to March 14 at 5:30 p.m.

H. Gym floors

There was discussion of condition of gym floors.

Adjournment: Willroth moved to adjourn. Watkins seconded. Motion passed at 7:25 p.m.