

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF CROSSETT SCHOOL DISTRICT #52
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Crossett School District was held at the Crossett Middle School, 100 Petersburg Road, Crossett, AR at 6:00 p.m. on March 14, 2011.

Members Present:

Doug Thurman, President
Jeff Harrison, Vice President
Jeff Langley, Secretary
Robert Cornelius
Raymond Blair

Others Present:

Dr. Janice Warren, Superintendent
Linda Goodwin, Assistant Superintendent
Norman Hill, Business Manager
54 Staff & Visitors
2 Members of the Media

MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular February 14, 2011 and the Special February 24, 2011 meetings were approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Financial Report

Business Manager Norman Hill presented the Financial Report. Robert Cornelius moved to accept the report, Jeff Harrison seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

B. Facilities Request

Dr. Warren recommended that the Board grant the request from the Crossett Chamber of Commerce for use of Yarborough Field for Project Graduation on May 27 , 2011, waiving all fees. Jeff Langley moved to approve the request, Jeff Harrison seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

C. Athletic Review

Athletic Director Teodis Ingram presented data pertaining to CSD students participating in athletics, the NCAA requirements relating to participation and student athlete academic statistics.

Coach Chris DeJarnette presented an overview of the boys' basketball program, and Coach Codie Malloy reported on girls' basketball and the tennis team.

D. ADE Standards Findings

The Arkansas Department of Education Standards Unit visit resulted in all schools being accredited for year 2010-2011.

The Unit's only finding was the lack of 1 ½ days of student contact due to inclement weather, which will have to be made up before June 30, 2011. Dr. Warren proposed that the students attend school on Monday, April 25, which was a scheduled Staff Development day, and a one hour extended day for the rest of that week. She also proposed June 7 and 8 as Staff Development makeup days. Jeff Langley moved to accept the proposal, Jeff Harrison seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

E. Textbook Adoption

Barbara Garner, Secondary Curriculum Director, presented the attached list of English and Language Arts textbooks for the 2011-2012 school year. Robert Cornelius moved to adopt as presented, Jeff Langley seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

F. Wellness Center Bids

Norman Hill, Business Manager, recommended that the Board accept the attached list of low bids, totaling \$361,744.08, for the construction of a Wellness Center at Hastings Learning Center, excluding fire alarm and intercom systems. Jeff Harrison moved to accept the recommendation, Jeff Langley seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

G. CMS Review

Lou Gregorio, Crossett Middle School Principal, explained to the Board how improving teaching through various staff development methods will result in improved test scores, remediation centers for targeted students who are barely below Proficient Level, and a Data Wall for teachers to stay abreast of student progress. Jeff Mock, Assistant Principal, reported on decreases in discipline incidents.

H. School District Board Rezoning

Per Arkansas Department of Education Memo dated February 15, 2011, the United States Census Bureau released local redistricting data from the 2010 Census showing population counts by race and ethnicity for every school district in the state. Every school district board of directors is obligated to review the district's population as measured by the census and to take any actions required by law regarding board zoning, and to submit a report to the Department no later than August 12, 2012 documenting its compliance with these requirements. Crossett School District will utilize the offices of the Secretary of State for the purpose of establishing new zones. This service will be performed at no cost to the district.

I. Good News

Linda Goodwin, Assistant Superintendent, has provided you with reports of the great things happening in our district. (Attached)

J. Personnel (Executive Session)

Mr. Thurman moved the Board into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. The regular session resumed at 8:22 p.m.

K. Personnel Actions

Robert Cornelius moved to uphold the recommendation of the Superintendent as per her letter to the Board regarding a personnel matter. Jeff Langley seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Warren recommended that the Board accept the resignations of Janis Millican, Middle School English Teacher, effective June 9, 2010 and Allen Jeter, High School Coach, effective at the end of the contract year. Jeff Harrison moved to accept the recommendation, Robert Cornelius seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

She then recommended that the Board employ Patty Frisby as CHS Cheerleader Sponsor. Robert Cornelius moved to accept the recommendation, Raymond Blair seconded, and the motion passes 5-0.

Dr. Warren recommended the following transfers: Patty Frisby to Fulltime Crossett Elementary Counselor, Janet Ricks to Hastings Learning Center Assistant Principal/Pre-k Director, and Kelley Howie to K-2 Counselor. Jeff Langley moved to accept the recommendation, Raymond Blair seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Warren recommended that the Board accept the resignations by retiring of Mary Watt and Mary Jeffers, Food Service employees, effective at the end of the contract year. Jeff Langley moved to accept the recommendation, Robert Cornelius seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Dr. Warren then recommended that the Board renew the contracts of the attached list of Certified Employees as recommended by Administrators. Jeff Harrison moved to accept the recommendation, Jeff Langley seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

_____, President

_____, Secretary

_____, Recorder

_____, Date

