

## **BLEVINS SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

**MARCH 12, 2018**

### **ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

The regular meeting of the Blevins school board was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by president Laura Clark on Monday, March 12, 2018 in the administration building. Board members present: Laura Clark, Janet Banister, Cindy Parks, and Chandra Dixon. Others in attendance: Superintendent Billy Lee.

Pray was led by Janet Banister and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Janet Banister made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2018 minutes with one correction (CORRECTION: Janet Banister made the motion to accept the terms of the contract for Stephanie Dixon as superintendent and Ted Bonner seconded the motion). Chandra Dixon seconded the motion to approve the "amended/corrected minutes". Motion passed with 4-0 vote.

Cindy Parks made a motion to accept the financial report for February 28, 2018. Chandra Dixon seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4-0 vote.

There was one contract disclosure --- for the wife of Chris Sweat --- no board action needed.

Laura Clark made a motion to approve the legal transfer of Matthew Henson from Blevins Schools to Prescott Schools (transfer is effective immediately). Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4-0 vote.

Janet Banister made a motion to approve the 2018/2019 academic calendar. The approved academic calendar will add one day (10/16/202018) and allow one extra day on Christmas break (school will start back 01/04/2019 after Christmas break --- this will also allow 12/21/2018 to be a test makeup day). Blevins already has a waiver to start the 2018/2019 school year on 08/06/2018. Chandra Dixon seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4-0 vote.

Laura Clark made a motion to rebid for the refinishing of school floors. The bid will cover stripping and waxing of all tile floors; rebuffering floors 3 times per year; and shampooing all carpet. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4-0 vote. NOTE: Rebidding approved as only 1 bid was received.

Carl McGill arrived at 7:23 p.m.

Cindy Parks made a motion to approve the Migrant Program to use a school bus to transport students to Grandview and UACCH for technology camp at UACCH for the period of 07/09/2018 – 07/19/2018. The bus provided will have no air conditioning; the migrant program will cover the cost/expense of the bus driver; the migrant program will reimburse the school for mileage at the rate of \$1.90 per mile; and they will also pay for the cost of fuel/gasoline used. Chandra Dixon seconded the motion. Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

The issue of "time clock" for school employees was discussed. No Action taken by the board. However, the school will no longer reduce/deduct from employee's time. Reports will be sent to the employee's supervisor for review and results will be monitored by the supervisor and appropriate action taken as needed.

No action taken by the board on the Classified PPC proposed change to Classified Personnel Policy 8.43 – Bus Driver Seniority Policy.

The previously set up a committee to review current bus routes. Chris Sweat presented the data results to the board. The committee reviewed the number of stops on each route; the number of students on each route, and the number of miles traveled each day on the routes. No board action was taken at this time.

No principal reports

Janet Banister made a motion to change Richard Allen to 9-month contract for 2018/2019 school year in order to allow Mr. Allen to teach music and English as needed, and he will continue to serve as golf team coach. Cindy Parks seconded the motion. Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

Chandra Dixon made a motion to approve the change to Stephanie Clark's contract for the 2018/2019 school year. She will serve as literature specialist and federal coordinator (no stipend included on contract). Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

Janet Banister made a motion to rehire all certified employees that are "marked YES" on the attached list. The motion includes the approval to move the high school counselor (per her request) to the elementary counselor position that will be vacated at the end of the 2017/2018 school year. Chandra Dixon seconded the motion. Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

Laura Clark presented the Board with a lease for the superintendent's house that is dated July1 – June 30. After some discussion, Cindy Parks made a motion that the Board offer the current tenants a charge of \$0 rent for the months of March and April 2018 in exchange for tenants to move out by 05/01/2018. Chandra Dixon seconded the motion. Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

David Huskey addressed the board regarding his daughter (Madison) who attended ASMSA for one semester. Janet Banister made a motion to allow Madison Huskey to serve as co=valedictorian for the 2018 graduating class. She will be recognized for this honor on all school records; however, she is not requesting to speak at the graduation ceremony. NOTE: This deviation from the student handbook is for the 2017/2018 school year only. Cindy Parks seconded the motion. Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

Chandra Dixon made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 8:38 p.m. Carl McGill seconded the motion. Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

MINUTES APPROVED:

BOARD PRESIDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

EX-OFFICIO FINANCIAL OFFICER: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2018-19 Academic Calendar

Aug 9.....Open House  
 Aug 13.....First Day of Classes  
 Sept 3.....Labor Day – NO CLASSES  
 Sept 20.....PT Conferences  
 Sept 21.....NO CLASSES  
 Oct 12.....End 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr – 43 days  
 Oct 19.....NO CLASSES  
 Nov 19-23.....Thanksgiving Break – NO CLASSES  
 Dec 21.....End 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr – 44 days  
 Dec 24-Jan 4....Christmas Break – NO CLASSES

Jan 7..... Spring Semester Begins  
 Jan 21.....M.L. King Day – NO CLASSES  
 Feb 14.....PT Conferences  
 Feb 15.....NO CLASSES  
 Feb 18.....President's Day – NO CLASSES  
 March 15.....End 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr – 47 Days  
 March 18-22....Spring Break – NO CLASSES  
 April 19.....Good Friday – NO CLASSES  
 May 24.....End 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr – 4

Designated Snow Days: Added to the end of the academic calendar year

## 2018-2019

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### Certified Contracts 2018-19

Elementary	Yes	No	High School	Yes	No
Janine Allen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Richard Allen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shannon Arnold	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Patricia Bailey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kristy Benight	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deborah Brantley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>resigned</i>
Katelyn Bostic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emma Burke	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jeffery Burton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Clark	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Janet Cook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kim Cox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meagan Cook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Debbie Craig	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emily Davis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lacy Estes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pamela Elliott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Philip Gentry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pat Fulton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tarah Gentry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>retiring (resigned)</i> Sandy Fulton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mark Hall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amanda Harris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Zach Harris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cindy Heagwood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Deborah Jackson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regina Huskey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scott Kelton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lindsey Knipper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jeremy Lee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Patricia Loe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cyndi Moorman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Charlotte McCauley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Britney Myrick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amanda Muse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Myrick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jamie Purtle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kim Osburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*move to elementary counselor*

Holly Steele

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Malissia Tolliver

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Misty Walters

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Kathleen Wicker

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Railey Williams

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~~Jeffrey Steed~~

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Jennifer Stegall

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Chris Sweat

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March 5, 2018

Dear Mr. Lee and School Board Members,

Our daughter, Madison, has been a part of Blevins School since kindergarten. She has always excelled academically and been at the top of her class. During her junior year, she had the opportunity to attend the Arkansas School for Math, Science, and the Arts in Hot Springs. There she successfully earned 13 college hours while maintaining her 4.0 GPA. After one semester she came back to Blevins to finish her junior and senior year. Because of the semester away, we are concerned she could have lost her valedictorian status. The handbook states that a student must be enrolled their 11th and 12th grade years to be eligible for valedictorian. When I talked to Mr. Steed he stated this was written to prevent transfer students from taking the honor from BHS students and was not applicable to Madison's situation. She has been a student here for twelve and a half years.

We understand there is another student who has a 4.0, and we would like them to share Valedictorian as students have in the past. Being the Co-valedictorian is an honor we feel she deserves because of her commitment to excellence in academics and her exemplary character.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. David Huskey