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The Bethany Board of Education met in a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 1, 2017 at the Bethany Administration Building, Superintendent's Office, 6:00 pm. The following items were heard and/or approved:

- Troy Rhodes, architect, gave an update on the building program.
- **Approved:** The Consent Agenda: a) Minutes of the April 3, 2017 Regular Board Meeting, April 4, 2017 Special Board Meeting, April 7, 2017 Special Board Meeting, April 10, 2017 Special Board Meeting, b) Financial Fund Reports, c) Encumbrances for the General Fund Non Payroll #650-712 (\$51,775.09), General Fund Payroll #70000-70783 (\$8,949,893.86) and Sinking Fund #1 (\$5,272.50)
- Board reports were submitted by Tim Haws, Reuben Bellows, Trey Keoppel, and Matthew Flinton.
- **Approved:** Pinion Design and Contracting, Inc. bid in the amount of \$129,893.00 for remodeling the middle school locker room area.
- **Approved:** Open positions for summer custodial/maintenance as needed to prepare for the 2017-2018 school year as funds are available.
- **Approved:** Open positions for extended school year during May/June 2017 and for July 2017 contingent upon student enrollment.
- **Approved:** Offer 10 hours of curriculum development for ESY teachers at \$20.00 per hour.
- **Approved:** Open a full time custodian position for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** Open an additional middle school special education teacher position for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** Open an additional part time counselor at the high school for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** Open an additional physical education position for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** Hire two transport personnel for the month of June at \$10.00 per hour.
- **Approved:** A stipend for Special Ed personnel pursuing their CDL and school bus certification in the amount of \$200 if training is outside of their contract day, an additional \$100 for receiving license, and reimbursement of the cost associated with obtaining the license from the Department of Public Safety.
- **Approved:** A stipend to be equal to a \$2.00 an hour increase for special education teacher assistants given full time special assignments to students who have severe/profound disabilities to be determined by the special services director effective FY' 18.
- **Approved:** Student insurance with Nationwide Life Insurance Company for FY' 18 at no cost to the district.
- **Approved:** Alcohol & Drug Testing Inc. contract for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** Contract for audit of public schools with Putnam & Company, PLLC for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** The Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services Transition School-To-Work: Work Study contract for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** E-Rate Board Resolution for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** Track use for two days in May by Piedmont Schools.
- **Approved:** Membership renewal with Oklahoma State School Board Association for FY' 18.
- **Approved:** The dates of the prior approved Israel Exchange Program trip departing Oklahoma City on November 2, 2017 and returning home on November 19, 2017.

■ **Approved:** Athletic Department Summer Activities for 2017 as submitted with possible additions approved by administration and use of school vehicles for transportation.

■ **Approved:** STEM funds totaling \$3,764.00.

■ **Approved:** Executive Session Items: a) Resignation of Jamie Wheat, Teacher, effective at the end of FY' 17, b) Resignation of Taylor Sossamon, Teacher/Coach, effective at the end of FY' 17, c) Retirement of Teresa Johnston, Teacher/Coach, effective at the end of FY' 17, d) Employment of Ashleigh Dautermann to manage the computer lab during open transfers the evening of May 3, 2017 from 6:45 pm to 7:45 pm replacing Valerie Long who is no longer available, e) Employment of the following teachers on temporary contracts for FY' 18: 1) Karla White, Elementary Teacher, 2) Chad Marchino, Secondary Teacher, Head JV Football Coach, Strength & Conditioning Coach, 3) Ryan Wilkinson, Secondary Teacher, Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach, 4) Eric Sailer, Elementary Teacher, Head Girls Basketball Coach, f) Employment of Carissa Hungerford, Elementary Teacher, from a part time temporary contract to a full time temporary contract for FY' 18, g) Employment of Teresa Johnston on a temporary contract for FY' 18 with a salary applicable to OTRS guidelines and District agreement to teach 1 hour of math, high school boys and girls cross country, middle school boys and girls cross country, and high school girls head track coach, h) Employment of Jim Drummond as high school Dean of Students on a temporary contract for FY' 18, i) Employment of Kimberly Barnes and Amy Willhoite for 5 hours at the Junior Class Prom and Jessica Brinegar, Hillary Grange, and Lisa Tackett for 4 hours at the Junior Class Prom at a rate of \$25.00 per hour. The total compensation for the event will be \$550.00, j) Employment of Cari Douglas to teach ESY Credit Recovery from June 5th to August 2nd with an approximate total of 38-40 hours each month at a rate of \$20.00 per hour. k) Employment of April Arthur, school psychologist, to provide psychological assessments at the CC through the month of June for \$400 per evaluation, l) Employment of the following teachers for the Children's Center SPED summer program: Elizabeth Walters and Ashley Terneus for June and July and April Arthur for July pending certification, m) Employment of the following teachers for summer STEM camps: Andrea Stewart, Mark Lechtenberg, Ryley Claborn, Amie Sellers, Amy Willhoite, and Jessica Brinegar to be paid \$15.00 per student with a maximum of \$300.00 and a minimum of \$180.00 per session. The general fund will be reimbursed by the STEM activity fund for the salaries, n) Transfer of Amie Sellers from middle school science teacher to high school science teacher, o) Re-employment of Teachers on regular contracts for the 2017-2018 school year as listed on Attachment A (approved by principals), p) Allow specific seniors to graduate with less than the 26 credits normally required by the District but meeting the state's minimum requirements for graduation, q) Authorization given to the Superintendent and his designees to negotiate the purchase of real estate located at 4607 N. Asbury, r) Contract for Drew Eichelberger, Superintendent of Schools, for total compensation of \$124,690.51, s) Drew Eichelberger's presentation to the board to reassign as specified: Rocky George as CFO and Tim Haws as COO with additional compensation to be added to their contracts for FY' 18.

■ **Informational Items:** a. Special Board Meeting May 5th to sell bonds, b. Baccalaureate - Thursday, May 18th - 7:00 pm - Bethany First Baptist Church, c. Graduation - Friday, May 19th - 7:00 pm - Bethany First Church of the Nazarene, Commencement Speakers - Heather Miller and Angela Palmer, d. Foundation Banquet - Tuesday, May 9th, e. District Staff Cookout - Friday, May 12th, f. Possible elementary/middle school roof renovation (QZAB bond), g. Community meet and greet with Mr. Eichelberger - May 22nd 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm.

■ Kent Walstad and Heather Miller made board comments.

■ The Superintendent gave his report.