

**MASON BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**June 26, 2017**  
**Harvey Education Center**  
**400 South Cedar Street**  
**5:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Mason Board of Education was held at the James C. Harvey Education Center on Monday, June 26, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Kurt Creamer, President.

Present: Kurt Creamer, Tom Curtis, Tim Ayres, Liz Evans

Absent: Ralph Beebe, Laura Cheney, Christopher Mumby

Also Present: Ronald Drzewicki, Superintendent; Cheryl S. Wald, Chief Financial Officer; Matt Stuard, Curriculum Director; Mason staff and community members

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Tom Curtis made and Liz Evans supported a motion to approve the agenda as printed. All yes. Motion carried 4-0.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Tom Curtis made and Liz Evans supported a motion to approve the consent agenda, including approval of minutes of the June 12, 2017, regular meeting; June 12, 2017, closed session – student reinstatement; June 12, 2017, closed session – negotiations; Administrative/Supervisors Contract Renewal Report No. 30 and Personnel Report No. 31. All yes. Motion carried 4-0.

**COMMITTEE AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

**Executive Committee**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

**Finance and Property**

Committee did not meet since last report.

**Community and Staff Relations**

Liz Evans referred to minutes from the June 19, 2017 meeting. Rick Brooks provided a staffing update. Kindergarten enrollment numbers are trending up and 10 sections of kindergarten are planned for the fall. An At-Risk K-12 Curriculum and Instruction Coach will be used to assist staff on the implementation of Go Math!, Wonders and Study Sync. The position will be paid for out of At-Risk funding. The Office of Civil Rights complaint has been resolved.

**INSPIRE**



**EMPOWER**



**SUCCEED**

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 21, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

### Policy and Curriculum

Liz Evans referred to minutes from the Monday, June 12, 2017 meeting. The committee accepted and thanked an anonymous donor for the generous contribution to Alaiedon Elementary. The MHSAA Membership was reviewed with no cost to the district. Lance Delbridge presented and the committee discussed implementation of a weighted grade point for AP classes at the High School. Lance Delbridge will seek suggestions from surrounding districts regarding the roll-out. The High School handbook was presented and reviewed.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 28, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

### Superintendent

#### 2016-17 Budget Amendment

The 2016-17 budget amendment was presented by Cheryl S. Wald. Mrs. Wald referred to the original budget that was passed in June of 2016. Total revenues and incoming transfers totaled \$30,891,080 compared to total expenditures of \$30,371,893 disclosing revenues over expenditures of \$519,187. Impact on the budget included a principal resignation, position transitions and reclassifications, operations and maintenance adjustments, health care costs, the retirement rate and employee benefit elections. Energy costs, decreased maintenance and transportation costs were highlighted. The bottom line is a positive budget of \$519,187 with a fund balance of 10.92%.

Tom Curtis made and Liz Evans supported a motion to approve the amended 2016-17 budget amendment, as presented in report No. 32. All yes. Motion carried 4-0.

#### 2017-18 Budget Adoption

President Creamer opened the 2017-18 budget hearing at 5:51 p.m.

Cheryl S. Wald presented the 2017-18 proposed budget with a positive bottom line of \$251,514. She defined the budget based on flat enrollment growth and a foundation increase of \$120.00 per pupil. Special Education funding will decrease with a hold back of 5% of funding. Teaching staff steps and lanes were recognized as well as increases in retirement and benefit adjustments. An additional staff member for the 10<sup>th</sup> section of kindergarten is included. One-time expenses were recorded including a plow truck and playground upgrades. A \$5,000 decrease in portable rent and decreased sub costs were noted. NEOLA expenses and EPIC MRA survey costs will not be repeated in 2017-18. The food service budget will continue to be monitored.

President Creamer closed the budget hearing at 6:03 p.m.

Tom Curtis made and Liz Evans supported a motion to approve the adoption of the 2017-18 budget, as presented in Report No. 33. All yes. Motion carried 4-0.



**INTRODUCTION OF OTHER MATTERS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT**

The Board of Education meeting scheduled on July 10, 2017 has been rescheduled to July 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

There are no committee meetings scheduled in July of 2017.

An Executive Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

**CLOSED SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS**

Tom Curtis made and Liz Evans supported a motion to enter into closed session for the purpose of negotiations.

Roll Call Vote:            Evans, Curtis, Creamer, Ayres

Absent:                    Beebe, Cheney, Mumby


The Board entered closed session at 6:09 p.m.

The minutes of the closed session are on file in the Superintendent’s office as provided by P.A. 167 of the Public Acts of 1976.

The Board returned to open session at 6:26 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Tim Ayres made and Liz Evans supported a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. All yes. Motion carried 4-0.

  
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Laura Cheney  
Secretary

