

Laclede County R-1 Schools  
Board of Education Meeting  
March 11, 2024 – 6:00 pm  
High School Library

Call to Order/Roll Call: Board President Kevin Dampier called the meeting to order with the following members present: Scott Anderson, Norman Webster, Scott Owens, Courtney Gunter, Reba Green, and Robbie Letterman.

Adjourn to Executive Session (RSMo 610.21 (3) (13)): Kevin Dampier made a motion to adjourn to executive session; Robbie Letterman seconded the motion. A roll call vote followed with the motion carrying 7-0. The time of adjournment was 6:00 p.m.

Kimberly Shelton  
Board Secretary

Laclede County R-1 Schools  
Board of Education Meeting #2  
March 11, 2024 – 6:32 pm  
High School Library

Call to Order/Roll Call: Board President Kevin Dampier called the meeting to order with the following members present. Members include Robbie Letterman, Courtney Gunter, Scott Owens, Reba Green, Norman Webster and Scott Anderson.

Pledge of Allegiance: All present united in repeating the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda: Courtney Gunter made a motion to approve the agenda. Scott Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda: Scott Owens made a motion to approve the consent agenda; Robbie Letterman seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0. Items approved include authorization to pay the 2024 bills, the approval of the February 2024 Board meeting minutes, the resignations of Sharon Bennett (Elem. Art), Michelle White (Elem), and Heather VanWinkle (HS Para), and Skyler Floyd (HS PE), and the food service program evaluation.

Old Business:

- A. Summer School Salaries: Mr. Searson recommended summer school salaries be raised. The new rates would be \$150 a day for teachers, \$85 a day for paras, \$120 for a nurse, and \$110 for a summer school secretary. Robbie Letterman made a motion to raise the summer school rates as presented. Reba Green seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.
- B. 2024-2025 School Calendar: Mr. Searson updated the Board on the draft calendar for the 2024-2025 school year. Courtney Gunter made a motion to approve the calendar as presented. Scott Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

New Business:

- A. Tuition Rates: Mr. Searson made the recommendation to raise the rate for tuition by \$200.00 per student, per year, for high school students and \$100 per student, per year, for elementary students. Robbie Letterman made a motion to accept the recommendation and raise the tuition rate from \$7000.00 to \$7100.00 for elementary students, and to raise the rate from \$7600.00 to \$7800.00 for junior high/high school for the 2024-2025 school year. Kevin Dampier seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.
- B. Graduation Requirements: Mr. Searson made a recommendation to move from an eight period day to a seven period day and amending graduation requirements to 26.5 credits for graduation for the 2024-2025 school year. Kevin Dampier made a motion to approve the graduation requirements as presented. Courtney Gunter seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Administrative Reports: Principals Shelly Dill, Ericka Armstrong, and Kathryn Taylor, along with Student Services Director, Cristen Hartman and Superintendent Matthew Searson, updated the Board regarding current points of interest.

With no further business before the Board, Norman Webster made a motion to adjourn the monthly meeting; Courtney Gunter seconded the motion. A roll call vote followed with the motion carrying 7-0. The time of adjournment was 7:04 p.m.

Kim Shelton  
Board Secretary