

**PARAGOULD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PARAGOULD, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 20, 2008**

Barry Bateman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the PSD Administration Building. Tim Coy gave the invocation. Other members present were Keith Crook, Sam McHaney, Greg Graham, and Ron Kingston.

Others present were: Aaron Hosman, Superintendent; Karla Blackwood, Director of Curriculum; Richard Shelby, Deputy Superintendent; Ann Tritch, District Treasurer; Debbie Smith, Federal Programs Director; Mike Skelton, Baldwin Elementary principal; Scott Gauntt, Oak Grove Middle School Principal; Donna Singleton, Oak Grove Elementary/Middle School assistant principal; Michael Allen Woodrow Wilson Elementary principal; Tori Thompson, Public Relation Coordinator; Carol Haynes Daily Press reporter; and Angie Johnson, Superintendent's Secretary.

**PUBLIC MEETING**

Karla Blackwood, Director of Curriculum, informed the board of the district's accreditation status, school improvement status, and successful Benchmark scores.

Debbie Smith, Federal Programs Director, informed the board of how federal funds are used throughout the district in conjunction with school improvement process.

**PERSONNEL**

Motion was made by Danny Rice and seconded by Keith Crook to employ those as listed. Motion carried.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion was made by Greg Graham and seconded by Ron Kingston to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried.

- Approval of Minutes  
September 22, 2008 – Regular Meeting
- Financial Reports
- Payment of Bills
- School Choice

## **INDIVIDUALS/GROUPS**

Donna Singleton, Asst. Principal Oak Grove Elementary; Michael Allen, Principal Woodrow Wilson; Mike Skelton, Principal Baldwin gave theme school updates. Scott Gauntt, Principal Oak Grove Middle School gave a update on the Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Grant. Mr. Gauntt also gave an update of the E.A.S.T. Lab at Oak Grove Middle School. Mrs. Singleton also updated the group on the Middle School after school grant.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. Hosman announcement there will be school board training December 3<sup>rd</sup> – December 5<sup>th</sup> in Little Rock, Ar.

Regional Board training will be October 27 , 2008 at the Coop in Walnut Ridge.

November, December and January board meeting will be held at the elementary schools.

Financial Interest Forms for the 2008 year were presented to the board. They are due in January of 2009.

A group will meet November 2 and 3<sup>rd</sup> to write a vision statement.

## **CAMERA BIDS**

Bids were solicited for three Security Cameras. Because KLC Video Security was identified as the low bidder through the state contract, only one bid was submitted. Motion was made by Greg Graham and seconded by Keith Crook to accept the bid of KLC Video Security in the amount of \$20,018.25 for three cameras. Motion carried.

## **FINANCIAL INTEREST FORMS**

Dr. Hosman presented information regarding the 2008 financial interest forms during the announcements.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Keith Crook and seconded by Ron Kingston that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

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