

MINUTES
CALICO ROCK BOARD OF EDUCATION
November 28, 2023

The regular meeting of the Calico Rock Board of Education was called to order by Chris Brandon at 5:34 P.M., Tuesday, November 28, 2023 in the Elementary Library. Board members present: Chris Brandon, Sharon Lane, Kelley Killian, Jennifer Brickell, and Buster Branscum. Jerry Skidmore, Superintendent, was also present.

OPENING PRAYER – Mr. Skidmore offered the opening prayer.

MISSION STATEMENT – Kelley Killian

VISITORS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Chris Brandon welcomed all visitors. Visitors present: Rich Fischer, Anita Nordrum, Bailey Whiteaker, Rylie Barnes, Lindsey Boles, Mickey Bevill, Tamara Bevill, Kitty Dockins, Alison Hudson, Jennifer Humphries, Lucas Hudson, and Chelsie Moss.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER BILLS

TREASURER’S REPORT

Kelley Killian moved to adopt the agenda as amended by adding 13B – Allow Riley Bevill Barnes to address the board for ten minutes. Jennifer Brickell seconded the motion. The motion passed. Sharon Lane moved to approve the October 23, 2023 minutes, October 30, 2023 special called minutes, October bills, and treasurer’s report as a consent agenda. Kelley Killian seconded the motion. The motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Skidmore mentioned he would like to increase capacity at the preschool.

Mr. Skidmore mentioned the new storage building at the preschool.

Mr. Skidmore informed the board that he plans to dismiss school April 8, 2024 due to the Solar Eclipse.

Mr. Skidmore gave each board member Calico Rock School District’s report card score compared to the state scores.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

13A. Mr. Skidmore made a recommendation to approve a \$500.00 dollar bonus for both classified and certified staff. Kelley Killian made a motion to accept Mr. Skidmore’s recommendation. Sharon Lane seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Kelley Killian requested to address the issues that were brought up during the annual public meeting by Rylie Bevill Barnes. Kelley brought attention to the ADE Rules and Regulations Governing Ethical Guidelines and Prohibitions for School Board Members, which explains what the legal expectations and duties of a school board member should be.

13B. Rylie Bevill Barnes requested updates from the board regarding hiring a grant writer, hiring a male assistant principal at the high school, and enrollment. After much discussion, no action taken.

SET DATE FOR NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next regular meeting is set for Tuesday, December 19, 2023 beginning at 5:30 in the Elementary Library.

ADJOURNMENT

Chris Brandon made the motion to adjourn at 7:03 P.M. Jennifer Brickell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Approved: _____ (Date)

President

Secretary