

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE
COTTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

October 21, 2021 7:00 P. M.

The following members of the Board were in attendance for the meeting: Allen Franks, Luke Walker, Jimmy Morgan, Donald Marler, and Robert Benedict. Administrators and other guests were also in attendance. Appropriate notice of this meeting has been given to local news media as well as posted to the District's website. Allen Franks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Luke Walker made a motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the meeting minutes from the September 21 meeting.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:00 pm)

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Superintendent Jones reviewed the Financial Reports for September.

Recommendation to approve Financial Reports

Mrs. Jones recommended the Board approve the Financial Reports as presented.

Motion to approve the Financial Reports

Luke Walker made the motion, seconded by Robert Benedict to approve the Financial Reports as recommended.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:03 pm)

Gifted and Talented Update

Misty Hayes presented an update on the Gifted and Talented program.

Annual Report to the Public

Misty Haynes and Superintendent Jones presented the Annual Report to the Public.

5% Salary Resolutions

Superintendent Jones presented resolutions to the Board for any employee who had at least a 5% increase in their salary from the 2020 fiscal year to the 2021 fiscal year as required by Act 1120 of 2013 codified at Arkansas Code Annotated 6-13-635.

Recommendation to approve 5% Salary Resolutions

Superintendent Jones recommended the Board approve the 5% Salary Resolutions as presented.

Motion to approve the 5% Salary Resolutions

Robert Benedict made the motion, seconded by Jimmy Morgan to approve the 5% Salary Resolutions as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:31 pm)

Resolution Choosing Date to Hold 2022 Annual School Election

Superintendent Jones recommended holding the annual school election on May 24, 2022.

Motion to approve the Resolution to Hold the 2022 Annual School Election

Jimmy Morgan made the motion, seconded by Luke Walker to approve the Annual School Election Resolution as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved. (7:34 pm)

Board Zoning Resolution

Superintendent Jones presented to the Board the Resolution in which the District states that it shall elect its Board members from five (5) single-member district zones and two (2) at-large positions in accordance with the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 and with the approval of the Baxter County Board of Election Commissioners.

Recommendation to approve the Board Zoning Resolution

Superintendent Jones recommended approval of the [Board Zoning Resolution](#).

Motion to approve the Board Zoning Resolution

Donald Marler made the motion, seconded by Robert Benedict to approve the Board Zoning Resolution as presented.

The motion carried unanimously. (7:37 pm)

Harrison Sign Company Quote

Superintendent Jones presented a quote from the Harrison Sign Company in the amount of \$26,078.25 for a digital sign for the school district.

Recommendation to approve the Quote from Harrison Sign Company

Superintendent Jones recommended approval of the Quote from Harrison Sign Company.

Motion to approve the Quote from the Harrison Sign Company

Robert Benedict made the motion, seconded by Luke Walker to approve the Quote from Harrison Sign Company in the amount of \$26,078.25 as presented.

The motion carried unanimously. (7:49 pm)

Board Entered Executive Session - 7:51 PM

Board Exited Executive Session - 9:50 PM

Recommendations on Personnel Report – Vanessa Thomas Jones

Superintendent Jones requested Board approval of the staff recommendations as submitted on the Personnel Report.

Motion on Personnel Report

Jimmy Morgan made the motion, seconded by Robert Benedict, to approve recommendations on the Personnel Report as presented.

The motion carried unanimously. (9:51 pm)

ENROLLMENT

Superintendent Jones reported the Elementary Enrollment is at 377 and High School Enrollment is at 362 for a total enrollment of 739.

ADJOURNMENT

Donald Marler made a motion, seconded by Luke Walker, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 p.m.


Allen Franks, President


Jimmy Morgan, Secretary