

Hope Academy of Northwest Arkansas School Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Mar 17, 2022

Time: 4:50 pm

Location: Zoom

Meeting Type: Regular

Board Members Present: Will Hanna- President, Dr. Kathy Morledge- Board Member, Bill Lessly-Board Member, Chris Lamson- Board Member

Board Members Absent: Countess Hodges- Board Member

Staff in Attendance: Rebecca Mitchell- NWACS Director, Jake Gibbs - Superintendent, Krystal Bequette- HR, Manager Lynne Snyder- Business Manager

Called to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 4:50 p.m. by Board President Will Hanna. The meeting was a regular school board meeting for Hope Academy of Northwest Arkansas via Zoom.

Discussion

Superintendent Jake Gibbs discussed:

- Operation update
 - ACT testing dates for students April 18th- 29th
 - ACT training session for teachers to assure correct testing procedures
 - State monitoring due to test scores last year requires a priority to focus on reading
 - Hiring of reading interventionist
 - Training teachers to read data from formative and ongoing assessments to develop informed instruction
 - RISE training scheduled for teachers this summer
 - Online training with nationally renown reading specialist Jen Jones
 - Focusing on high quality reading instruction

HR Manager Krystal Bequette discussed:

- New Hires
 - Maurissa Roberts - Part-time Reading Interventionist
 - Jordan VanWormer- Paraprofessional
 - Update on Business Manager Position
 - Previously hired Karla Thielemier declined position due to personal reasons
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Action Item

● **New Hires**

- Board President Will Hanna asked for a motion to approve new hires
 - Maurissa Roberts- Part-time Reading Interventionist
 - Jordan VanWormer- Paraprofessional

Motion: Bill Lessly

Second: Kathy Morledge

Vote: 4-0

Motion Passes

Discussion Continues

Business Manager Lynne Snyder discussed:

- Monthly financial information

Action Item

● **Monthly Financials**

- Board President Will Hanna asked for a motion to accept the
 - Monthly Financials

Motion: Kathy Morledge

Second: Chris Lamson

Vote: 4-0

Motion Passes

● **February 2022 School Board Minutes**

- Board President Will Hanna asked for a motion to approve the
 - February 2022 School Board Minutes

Motion: Kathy Morledge

Second: Bill Lessly

Vote: 4-0

Motion Passes

Adjournment

There being no further business, Board President Will Hanna adjourned the meeting at 5:09 pm.

President, Will Hanna

Date

Board Member Signature

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