

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting  
Meeting Place: High School Board Room

Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Date: April 20, 2016

PRESENT

ABSENT

Position 1: Robert Reeves  
Position 2: Danny Blankenship  
Position 3: Julia Chapman  
Position 4: Kenny Morehead  
Position 5: Debbie Moody  
Position 6: Mike McCandlis  
Position 7: Rhonda Moss

The IZARD County Consolidated School Board met in regular session on April 20, 2016, in the IZARD County High School Board Room.

Roll call showed all members present.

Mike McCandlis made a motion, seconded by Rhonda Moss, to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2016, regular meeting. Motion passed, 7-0.

Julia Chapman made a motion, seconded by Rhonda Moss, to approve the financial report. Motion passed, 7-0.

Julia Chapman made a motion, seconded by Mike McCandlis, to re-employ all classified staff who wished to return for the 2016-17 school year. Motion passed, 7-0.

Superintendent Fred Walker announced that six students had won state awards in the Laws of Life Essay Contest sponsored by the Better Business Bureau. Winners included Dora Knezic – first place senior (\$500), Nancy Mkaabal – first place junior (\$500), James Norton – second place senior (\$250), Kennedy Wallis – second place junior (\$250), Callie Cole – third place sophomore (\$125), and Junaid Mir - superior junior (\$100). Walker also announced that the shooting sports team had received a grant award of \$1770 from the Arkansas Game and Fish Wildlife Conservation Education Grant Program. Shooting Sports sponsor Wayne Neal applied for the grant for the school. Walker commended the IZARD County High School Beta Club for being named a National Beta School of Merit for their dedication and commitment to academic excellence. Elizabeth Cowan is the Beta Club sponsor.

Elementary Principal John Walker announced that the district had been selected as a host school for the 2016-2017 Teachers of Critical Languages Program. The American Council for International Education will provide a Mandarin Chinese teacher for the district for the 2016-17 school year at no cost to the district. Walker said that he had had written the grant proposal and he would work out the details of the grant with the ACIE.

High School Principal David Harmon commended Andrew Walker for being selected for the Arkansas All Star Basketball Game to be played in Conway on June 23. Harmon said Walker also was named as one of the top five 1A boys basketball players by the Arkansas Basketball Coaches Association recently. Harmon also congratulated the senior high chess team for winning state runner-up in the state chess tournament recently. Team members were Andrew Walker, Eric Vest, Patrick King, James Norton, and Andy Norton.

Harmon announced that the high school's business and agriculture students scored well above the state average on state tests this year. Harmon commended the students, Agriculture Teacher Wayne Neal, and Business Teacher Hugh Chapman for their hard work.

Middle School Principal BillyMcBride commended the junior high quiz bowl team for placing fourth in the regional and fourth in the state recently. McBride also announced that the Choir had received a Superior rating in Sight Reading from the Northeast Arkansas Region Choral Director's Association. Chelsea Phillips is the Choir Director.

Mike McCandlis made a motion, seconded by Danny Blankenship, to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Motion passed, 7-0.

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Debbie Moody, President

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Danny Blankenship, Secretary