

## Regular Board Meeting Mammoth Spring Board of Education

Date: June 5, 2025

Members Present: Devon Smoot, Alexis Davis, Thomas Owsley, Jackie Vest

Members Absent:

Guests: See Attached

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Devon Smoot.

Additions to the agenda: Adopt a resolution designating a qualified elector and request the 2025 election be conducted by vote of the qualified elector. This will be item IX moving all other items down. The order of Item VII and Item VIII will be switched.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Taylor gave district updates. The CEP was approved and the reimbursement rate will be 86.26%. We received notification from DESE that the school was fully accredited in 2024-2025. There is still no word on reimbursement of the high impact tutoring grant. Starting in 2026-2028 school years, the school will go from an AA classification to an A classification.

Mr. Small gave high school updates. New CTE pathways are being offered for students. New signage was bought with the safety grant. Locking cell phone pouches were purchased because of the new "no cell, bell to bell" regulation. Mr. Small is looking at the logistics of an internship program for students. He is also going to talk to parents of homeschool students and see if they are interested in doing virtual through Mammoth Spring School.

Mr. Bennett gave elementary updates. There are currently 75 students attending summer school. Field trips are planned each week. All vacant positions are filled.

Ms. Smoot gave pre-school updates. There are 43 attending summer school. For the new school year, the 18 month-3 year olds will be moved to the pre-school building with the birth to 18 month staying where they currently are. She is receiving a \$6,000 grant to be used for the 18 month-3 year old room.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to approve the resolution to follow Act 503 and establish the length of term for board members to six years.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to appoint Joe Flynn to fill the vacant board position. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to approve the CD renewal for 6 months. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Alexis Davis and seconded by Jackie Vest to approve the sample ballot and proposed budget prepared by First Security Beardsley. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Jackie Vest to appoint Alexis Davis as the qualified elector in the district to cast a ballot for the previous unchanged rate of annual ad valorem property tax. The motion passed 3-0 with Alexis Davis abstaining from the vote.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Jackie Vest to adopt the resolution designating a qualified elector and requesting the 2025 election be conducted by vote of the qualified elector. The motion passed 4-0.

Board member Thomas Owsley left the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

A motion was made by Alexis Davis and seconded by Jackie Vest to approve the resolution disclosure on Derrick Owsley. The motion passed 3-0.

Board member Thomas Owsley returned to the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

A motion was made by Alexis Davis and seconded by Jackie Vest to approve the Elementary School Improvement Plan for 2025-2026. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to approve the High School Improvement Plan for 2025-2026. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Jackie Vest to approve the Assurance and GEPA Statement for 2025-2026. The motion passed 4-0.

The board went into executive session at 7:03 p.m. and returned at 8:20 p.m.

A motion was made by Alexis Davis and seconded by Jackie Vest to accept the bus driving resignation from Devon Cray. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to accept the resignation from Rachel Huffmaster. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Cynde Wyatt as English/Social Studies teacher for the high school. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Jackie Vest and seconded by Thomas Owsley to hire Shelly Justus as special education teacher in the high school. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Austyn McCradic to the 0-3 staff. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Sara Nicholson as a floating aide for the pre-school. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Brietta Avery as a half time aide and half time custodian for the pre-school. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Kristi Stirewalt as Food Service Director. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Jackie Vest to hire Tammy Bearden for cafeteria staff. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Lilia Glenn for cafeteria staff. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Tammy Bearden as bus driver for the Dalton Route. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Gregory Schafer as bus driver. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to hire Tonya Rees as school nurse. The motion passed 3-0 with Jackie Vest voting against.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to adopt Phase 1 of the cyber security policy. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion was made by Thomas Owsley and seconded by Alexis Davis to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

President: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_