

**ALCOA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**ALCOA, TENNESSEE**

**MARCH 27, 2018**

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

The Alcoa City Schools' Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, in the Mickey McClurg Board Room at the Alcoa City Schools' Education Building. On roll call, the following officials were present: Steve Marsh, Vice Chair presiding; Clayton Bledsoe: Harry (Mickey) McClurg: Charles Cameron, Board Members; Brian Bell, Director of Schools and Secretary to Board; Gennie Cardwell, Recorder; and seventy-six (76) visitors, when the following proceedings were conducted.

Board Vice Chair Marsh called the meeting to order. The audience participated in a moment of silence.

Dr. Bell presented a representative from each school to share event updates from each of their respective schools or departments.

Alcoa Elementary School: Bryant Adler: April 5, 2018 4:30-6:30 Night of the Arts: April 12, 2018 Choir Concert 6:00: April 20, 2018 PTO School Carnival.

Alcoa Intermediate School: Michelle Knight: Coming up in April: Mother Son Bowling at Crest Bowling: Choir Concert will be at Clayton Center this spring: Lunch with a loved one.

Alcoa Middle School: Dr. Scott Porter: AMS Spelling Bee Champion Samantha Jordan: April 6, 2018 Walk-a-thon Springbrook Park: April 10, 2018 Spring Chorus Concert at Clayton Center 6:00: April 19, 2018 Spring Band Concert at Clayton Center 7:00.

Alcoa High School: Rebecca Stone: Recognize Boys' Basketball Team as State Participant and Dante Harris on All State Team: Recognize DECA State Champions who qualified for National Competition with a Community Service Project raising funds for Rockport High School, Texas: Mr. Terry, AHS Band Director recognized Concert Band for being awarded State Superior Plaque.

Board Vice Chair Marsh ask for comments from the Audience.

Head AHS Baseball Coach, Steve Dunn, along with several baseball players and parents and AMS Baseball Coaches, parents, and players, voiced their concerns and frustrations concerning the unplayable condition of the AHS Baseball Field. The Board listened to all comments and Dr. Bell gave them up to date information on what had been done as well as what is waiting to be done to try and fix the problems with

the field drainage. Dr. Bell assured the crowd that the administration was looking into all options to give the Baseball Team a place to play and practice and were open to any expert advice available.

Dr. Brian Bell, Director of Schools, recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the February 20, 2018, Regular Board Meeting and the Financial Reports for the month of January, 2018 along with an Executive Committee Action Summary that approved a purchase order to replace the boiler at Alcoa Intermediate School, which also included heat to the Vernon Osborne Gym, in the amount of \$62,804.00. These funds would come from Fund Balance. Motion was made by Board Member Cameron and duly seconded by Board Member Bledsoe to approve the above named consent items. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell presented the Monthly Personnel Report.

Ms. Susan White, as a long term substitute, will replace AHS English Teacher Jennifer Ledford who is on FMLA Leave. Ms. White is a retired High School English Teacher who has served us as a long term substitute in the past.

Dr. Bell presented the Monthly Construction Report and ask Barry Brooke, of Lawler Wood to update the Board on the current ongoing Intermediate School repairs and expansion; Track/Soccer Complex; Football Field House; and AHS Baseball Field.

Dr. Bell presented the Monthly Legacy Fund Report.

Several donations have been received to go toward buying a room in memory of Geraldine Upton. A disbursement of \$5,000.00 to Marcon Marketing Consultants (Rick Ford, for Jerry Wilkinson final contribution) was the only disbursement during the Month of February, 2018.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on Second Reading revisions to Board Policy 4.600, Grading System. This revision will bring us in compliance with Tennessee State Board of Education's Uniform Grading Policy System and the corresponding percentage points. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Cameron to approve revisions to Board Policy 4.600. After general discussion motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on Second Reading revisions to Board Policy 5.305, Family Medical Leave. This revision will bring us in compliance with Federal FMLA Law. This revision will allow accumulated sick leave to be used for maternity leave as well as adoption of a child. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Bledsoe to approve revisions to Board Policy 5.305. After general discussion motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on First Reading revisions to Board Policy 6.200 (attendance)

to bring our policy into compliance with State Law TCA 49-6-3007, Public Chapter 379, a Progressive Truancy Intervention Plan. This revision will provide students and parents with a three tier effect of Truancy Violations and by State Law each student will be given a written copy of the Attendance Policy on or before the First Day of School each year. Motion was made by Board Member Cameron and duly seconded by Board Member McClurg is approve revision to Board Policy 6.200. After general discussion motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of an Out-of-State Field Trip to Decatur, Georgia for the Alcoa High School Singers, under the direction of Trent Gilmore, to participate in the Gospel Festival at Oakhurst Presbyterian Church. They would depart o Saturday, April 28, 2018 and return on Sunday, April 29 2018. Approximately 35 students would participate along with seven adults serving as chaperones. Motion was made by Board Member Marsh and duly seconded by Board Member Cameron to approve the Out-of-State Field Trip to Decatur, Georgia for the Alcoa High School Singers. After general discussion motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of an Out-of-State Field Trip to Atlanta, Georgia for the Alcoa Middle School Chorus, under the direction of Trent Gilmore, to go to Six Flags Over Georgia, in Atlanta, Georgia. They will depart on Saturday, May 12, 2018 ad return that same evening. Approximately 80 students and fifteen adult chaperones will participate. Motion was made by Board Member Cameron and duly seconded by Board Member Bledsoe to approve the Out-of-State Field Trip to Atlanta, Georgia for the Alcoa Middle School Chorus. After general discussion motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approve of an Out-of-State Field Trip for the Alcoa High School DECA participants who qualified for DECA National/International Competition to be held April 21, 2018 thru April 25, 2018 in Atlanta, Georgia. Three Students along with AHS Teacher, Joy Gornto would attend. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Cameron to approve the Out-of-State Field Trip for the Alcoa High School DECA Club to Atlanta, GA. After general discussion motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of a budget transfer in the amount of \$63,000.00 from General School Fund Fund Balance to AHS General Fund Athletics account. Alcoa High School has had unprecedented success in Athletics this school year. Boy's Golf, Girls' Soccer, Cross Country, Individual and Team Wrestling, Girl's and Boys' Basketball, and Cheerleading have all represented AHS at the State level. AHS General Athletics have spent over \$63,000.00 in lodging, food, and transportation to fund this athletic success. Still to come this spring would be Boys' Soccer, Baseball, Softball, and Track and Field State Competition. The transfer would help in funding the cost of great success at the State Competition level for AHS Sports this school year. Motion was made by Board Member Cameron to transfer \$63,000.00 from Alcoa City Schools General School Fund Fund Balance to Alcoa High School General Fund

Athletics Account and duly seconded by Board Member Marsh. After general discussion and a vote ending in a tie and motion died.

Dr. Bell updated the Board on upcoming events listed in the Board packet. The Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2018 was rescheduled for Monday, April 23, 2018. Budget Work Sessions were scheduled for Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 4:00p.m. and Monday, May 14, 2018 at 4:00p.m. These Work Sessions will be held in the ACS Board Room.

Board Vice Chairman Marsh thanked everyone for attending the meeting. With no other business the Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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Secretary to the Board

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Chair to the Board

Approved April 23, 2018

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