

Communiqué

A summary of the November 2, 2015, Board of Education meeting follows. Meeting agendas for each Board Meeting are posted online. For details and attachments from the November 2 Board Meeting, please click [here](#).

Superintendent's Announcements/Spotlight

Parent Engagement Month

November is designated as Parent Engagement Month. Ms. Patti Sullivan, Parent Outreach Specialist, read the proclamation. Members of the Parent Involvement Team were spotlighted:

Khalilah Allen, Chestnut Log Middle
Chris Atkinson, Stewart Middle and Turner Middle
Pamela Bates, Lithia Springs Elementary
Juan Bell, Beulah Elementary
Tenia Boone, Burnett Elementary
Cynthia Brooks, Burnett Elementary and Factory Shoals Elementary
Tanyia Clagette, Annette Winn Elementary
Regina Gladney, Stewart Middle
Lisa Golden, Bright Star Elementary
Dr. Mary Jackson, Eastside Elementary
Barbara Lark, Turner Middle
Dr. Carol Lobban, Tuner Middle
Kimberly Clements-McColley, North Douglas Elementary
Tameka Scott, Sweetwater Elementary
Valerie Shaw, Eastside Elementary
Allison Vereen, North Douglas Elementary
Larsen Wilkinson, Youth Villages
Dr. Dorothy Williams, Factory Shoals Elementary
Lisa Dunnigan, Title I Director
Patti Sullivan, Parent Outreach Specialist

American Education Week

Dr. Pritz recognized November 16-20 as American Education Week. Mr. Casey Bethel, Douglas County Teacher of the Year, read the proclamation.

Education Support Professionals Day

Education Support Professionals Day will be celebrated on November 18. Dr. Pritz read the proclamation.

School Psychology Awareness Week

School Psychology Awareness Week will be observed November 9-13. Ms. Nancy Schusterman, Lead Psychologist, read the proclamation. Dr. Barry Williams, Special Education Director, recognized the following School Psychologists:

Shane Avery
Morgan Cannon
Tanya Charles
Jamie Cruz

Lauren Everett
January Few
Amy Moore
Natasha Vannoy-Nuckles

Emilee Patterson
Jeanne Pounds
Nancy Schusterman

Symetra Hero in the Classroom Award

Ms. Lori Gordy, 5th grade teacher at Sweetwater Elementary, was recognized as one of 16 K-12 teachers in Georgia to be named “Symetra Hero in the Classroom.”

Consent Agenda

Consent agenda items of certified personnel, classified personnel, purchase of maintenance vehicles, cooling units at Chapel Hill High and Douglas County High School, and school food service surplus were approved.

Discussion Agenda

Information on the following agenda items was presented for discussion: Student Achievement and Leadership – update of strategic plan process by Education Planners; International Baccalaureate exam fees; Student Services – overview and update.

Action Agenda

Finance – July, August, September, 2015 financial reports were approved; Operations – ESPLOST V Referendum was approved.

Information Only

Overnight out of state field trips

Present were Board Members D.T. Jackson, District II, Chair; Michelle Simmons, District IV, Vice-Chair; Carol Lindstrom, District I; Tracy Rookard, District III; and Jeff Morris, District V. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Gordon Pritz; Chief Academic Officer Pam Nail; Assistant Superintendent of District Operations Dr. Tim Scott; Chief Financial Officer Greg Denney; Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Policy Dr. Michelle Ruble; Assistant Superintendent of Student Services E. Renee Davis; Community Relations Director Karen Stroud; Community Relations Specialist Nell Boggs; and Secretary to the Superintendent Melanie Nicholson.

Upcoming Meetings of the Douglas County Board of Education:

Regular Board Meeting on Monday, November 16, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting on Monday, December 7, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.