Communiqué

A summary of the August 15, 2016, 7:00 p.m. Douglas County Board of Education meeting follows. Meeting agendas for each board meeting are posted online. For an agenda from the August 15 board meeting, please click here. To see supporting documents, click on agenda items.

Unfinished Business

At the August 1, 2016, Board Meeting it was discussed that the Board would consider a resolution opposing the Governor's Opportunity School District that will be on the November ballot as a constitutional amendment. The resolution was taken from the Georgia School Boards Association OSD toolkit. The resolution will be on the September 6 board agenda for approval.

New Business

Board members will attend Whole Board Training from AdvancEd on the accreditation process on October 3.

Consent Agenda

The following items were approved:

- Certified and classified personnel
- Agreement with Hanover Research for high quality custom research and analytics
- Purchase of two forklifts for maintenance and transportation from United Rentals
- Changes to Board Policy GAE(2): Complaints and Grievances, Certified Employees
- Changes to Board Policy JBCCA: Student Assignment to Schools

Discussion Agenda

Student Achievement and Leadership

College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI) scores for 2015 were reviewed and Georgia Milestones Assessment System (GMAS) results for 2015-2016 were presented by Wiley Dailey and Dr. Jessica Ainsworth from the school system's Department of Assessment, Accountability and Evaluation.

Pam Nail and Todd Hindmon along with Daniel Dooley with Dooley Education Solutions made a presentation on the benefits of the Audio Enhancement System, how it is being used in our schools, and the next steps for expanding the use of the instructional and safety tool.

Recommendation was made to approve at the September 6, 2016, Board of Education meeting the agreement with Elaine (Wood) McGhee to continue to work with schools to strengthen and promote STEM initiative/activities and computer science in our schools.

Finance

Documents were presented for board review and discussion concerning final digest values and possible budget amendments. Decisions will be made when final numbers are available.

Action Agenda

Student Achievement and Leadership

Board approved the Strategic Waivers School System/Investing in Educational Excellence Partnership Contract as presented.

Operations

Board approved a resolution certifying that all accounts for the re-roofing of Burnett Elementary School have been paid in full.

Information Only

Overnight out of state field trips were presented for information only.

Changes in Administrative regulation GBRL-R(1) regarding employee dress code were presented for information only.

Present were Board Members D.T. Jackson, District II, Chair; Carol Lindstrom, District I, Vice Chair; Tracy Rookard, District III; Michelle Simmons, District IV; 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; Executive Director of Technology Todd Hindmon; 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 Tuesday, September 6, 2016, 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting on Monday, September 19, 2016, 7:00 p.m.