



**HOOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2013 5:30 PM
MINUTES**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Hoover City Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 9, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Paulette Pearson, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. The following record of attendance was made:

Mrs. Paulette R. Pearson, President
Mrs. Donna C. Frazier, Vice President
Mr. Earl A. Cooper
Mr. Derrick M. Murphy
Mr. Stephen D. Presley
Mr. Andy Craig, Superintendent
Mrs. Louise White, Recording Secretary

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mrs. Frazier and seconded by Mr. Murphy to adopt the agenda. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

III. TECHNOLOGY PRESENTATION

Mrs. Carol Barber, Principal of Trace Crossings Elementary School, introduced Melinda Culberson and Michelle Knutson, Physical Education teachers, Adriana Northcutt, Art teacher, Minnette Wiggins, First Grade teacher, Haley Brown, Third Grade teacher and Dana Joyner, Fourth Grade teacher. These teachers demonstrated and explained how technology is being used not only in the classroom, but also with art and physical education classes.

IV. RECOGNITION

Mrs. Pearson asked Dr. Ron Dodson, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, to begin the time of recognition. Dr. Dodson called on Dr. Ken Jarnagin, Principal of Spain Park High School, to recognize Mrs. Cheryl Morrow for her award of

Outstanding Social Studies Teacher of the Year. Dr. Dodson asked Stefanie and Matthew Schoeneman, Spain Park High School students, to come forward to be honored for their perfect 36 scores on the A.C.T. He announced that Sunny Thodupunuri, of Hoover High School, also had received a perfect score. (She was not present.)

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. Minutes from the October 21, 2013 Regular Board Meeting and November 14, 2013 Called Board Meeting

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the October 21, 2013 Regular Board meeting and the November 14, 2013 Called Board meeting. A motion was made by Mrs. Frazier and seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

B. Personnel Actions

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve all personnel actions. A motion was made by Mr. Presley and seconded by Mr. Cooper to approve the recommendation. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

C. Business Actions

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the following business actions:

1. The Monthly Financial Statement for September & October, 2013
2. Payroll for October, 2013 in the amount of \$7,211,388.48
November, 2013 in the amount of \$7,228,455.87
3. Cash Disbursements for October, 2013 in the amount of \$3,400,776.55
November, 2013 in the amount of \$2,666,697.40

A motion was made by Mrs. Frazier and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the recommendation. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

D. Obsolete Items

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve certain items to be declared obsolete. A motion was made by Mrs. Frazier and seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

E. Ad hoc Textbook Selection Committee Recommendation

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the textbook selected by the Ad hoc Textbook Selection Committee. Mr. Presley made the motion, and Mrs. Frazier seconded the motion. The recommendation was approved unanimously.

VI. INFORMATION/REPORTS

Mr. Craig referenced to a memo (Attachment "A") from Dr. Dodson requesting a Board work session to review updates in curriculum issues. Dr. Dodson asked the Board to determine a date and time (allowing 2-3 hours) before February 9, 2014.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent Craig read the following from a news release:
"The district remains engaged in discussions with the United States Department of Justice regarding alternative transportation delivery models as part of their review. These discussions have focused primarily on potential service delivery models that would utilize district owned buses and district employed drivers while incorporating mechanisms to reduce the negative financial effects of the underfunded nature of transportation program operations. We look forward to our continued analysis and dialogue with the Department of Justice seeking ways to best serve the students of Hoover." After some discussion with the Board members, Mr. Craig stated that the proposal would be a work in progress over the next few months. The Board members expressed their gratitude to Mr. Craig for his willingness to meet with the Justice Department to explain the funding deficit and a proposed solution.

President Pearson asked for a motion to rescind the Cancellation of Transportation. Mr. Cooper made the motion, and Mr. Presley seconded it. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Melody Greene, Assistant Superintendent, asked the Board to review the proposed 2014-2015 school calendar that had been presented to them. She

stated that Jason Gaston, Information Coordinator, would post the calendar on the Hoover City Schools' website and ask for public feedback. Mrs. Greene stated that she hoped the Board would be prepared to vote on the calendar at the January Board meeting.

Mr. Don Hulin, Principal of Hoover High School, thanked the Board members for their support. He went on to speak of his pride in not only the student athletes that won the Alabama State Football Championship, but of the outstanding performances of the swim and dive teams, indoor track teams, theater, scholars' bowl students and all the student fans. He stated how gratifying it is to see how the hard work of the staff and students produce such successful results.

VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Various Hoover residents expressed their appreciation for the Board's rescinding the transportation cancellation action. They asked to be kept abreast of the fee-based proposal's progression. They told of their interest in being involved in not only the business of the Hoover Board of Education but also the business of the City of Hoover.

VII. DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Monday, January 6, 2013, at 5:30 PM.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Superintendent

Board President

MEMORANDUM

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To: Andy Craig
From: Ron Dodson *P.D*
Date: Tuesday, December 3, 2013
Re: *Proposal for board work session on instructional issues*

I am requesting that a board work session be scheduled in January or early February so that Dr. Adams, Mrs. Dunn, and I can share information and elicit feedback from the board on a variety of instructional issues. Ideally, we need about two to three hours for this conversation, but we will work with whatever allotment of time the board would consider practical. I believe this conversation needs to occur before the district accreditation visit begins on February 9, 2014.

There have been a number of substantial changes in curriculum programs, accountability requirements, graduation requirements, and instructional vision that have occurred over the past six months, and I believe it is important for our board to be aware of and understand these changes. The following list includes the topics that I would like to discuss in this work session:

1. New instructional vision for Hoover City Schools and strategic improvement goals for student learning
2. The state's accountability shift from No Child Left Behind to Accountability 2020
3. Common Core political challenges and local implementation of Alabama's College and Career Readiness Standards
4. New diploma requirements for the Class of 2017 and beyond
5. Update on the district's Engaged Learning Initiative

If you need any further information, just let me know. Thank you for this consideration.