

The Pickens County Board of Education met on October 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office (377 LaDow Center Circle, Carrollton, AL 35447). Nick Tolstick, LaSonja Richardson, Annie Jackson, Michael Hinton, and Debbie Holley were present. Others present were Superintendent Jamie Chapman, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Anissa Ball, and attorney, Thomas Powe.

1. **MEETING OPENED:**

Chairman Nick Tolstick welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that a moment of silence be observed.

2. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Michael Hinton the Board unanimously approved the agenda.

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2014 meeting.

4. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the September payroll as presented by CSFO Jennifer Shirley.

5. **COMMUNITY GROUPS:**

Commissioner Fredrick Kennedy told the Board that he would like to come to a board work session to discuss the future of Pickens County. He explained that he was working to bring industry to Pickens County and the school system in a county was a large factor in getting a business to locate in a county. Chairman Nick Tolstick thanked Mr. Kennedy for all he did for Pickens County and that the Board work consider his request and get back with him.

6. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the financial statement as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley for the month of September and the cash balances as follows:

General Fund	\$ 402,000.31
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	1,171,340.57
Capital CD	342,269.63
Debt Service Fund	536.25
CNP Balance	190,670.46
Federal Funds	27,384.92
Local Schools	527,531.85

7. **APPROVE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AMENDMENT 4:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve a resolution in support of amendment 4 which will protect school systems from unfunded mandates.

Resolution Supporting Amendment 4

WHEREAS, the Pickens County Board of Education is aware that Alabama's voters will consider on the November 4th General Election ballot Amendment 4, which would provide local schools boards the same constitutional protection from unfunded State mandates as other local governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, other local governmental entities, including county commissions and municipalities, have been protected from unfunded mandates since a 1998 constitutional amendment; and

WHEREAS, local school boards remain the only local governmental entity without state constitutional protection from unfunded mandates; and

WHEREAS, local revenue that local school leaders prioritize for a specified purpose is subject to being diverted to comply with unfunded state mandates; and

WHEREAS, with ever tightening budgets, local school boards which do not have the authority to generate revenue like cities and counties, deserve the same protection as other governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, the Pickens County Board of Education believes that it has a responsibility to educate voters regarding the importance of Amendment 4;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Pickens County Board of Education support passage of Amendment 4 and determine that advocating the passage of Amendment 4 serves a public purpose and furthers the purposes and missions of the school system by seeking to protect scarce resources which should be devoted to the education of children .

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be recorded in the minutes of the Pickens County Board of Education.

Done this the 20th day of October, 2014.

8. **SELECT DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE FOR 2014 AASB DELEGATE ASSEMBLY:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously agreed to select Debbie Holley as Delegate and Michael Hinton as Alternate to represent the Board at the AASB Delegate Assembly, December 4, 2014 in Birmingham.

9. **APPROVE AMS ATHLETIC DIRECTOR SUPPLEMENT:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approve the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2014-15 supplement for the athletic director he appointed at Aliceville Middle School.

10. **APPROVE 2014-15 CAPITAL PLAN:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2014-15 capital plan as submitted and agreed upon by the capital planning committee at their meeting on October 16, 2014.

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss personnel and legal matters. The Board reconvened at 8:05 p.m. and Chairman Nick Tolstick declared the meeting back into open session.

12. **APPROVE EARLY HEAD START PORGRAM AT THE ECLC:**

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to table approving the Early Head Start Program until the next board meeting.

13. **PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as follows:

Resignations/Retirements:

Nancy Edwards	CNP Manager, AES/AMS, Retirement, 10/1/14
Stacey Mayhew	Secretary/Bookkeeper, PCHS, Resignation. 11/7/14
Al Wilkins	Mechanic, Disability Retirement, 11/1/14
Maginn Donoho	Secretary/Bookkeeper, Bus Shop, Resignation, 10/20/14

Employment

Shenea Ball	Math Teacher, Aliceville High School
Windle Walker	CNP Manager, Aliceville Elementary/Aliceville Middle School

Leave of Absence

Eva Sullivan	Teacher, Gordo Elementary, maternity leave, 10/7/17 – 12/19/14
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14. **MEETING ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business, Chairman Nick Tolstick adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary