

The Pickens County Board of Education met on December 12, 2012 at Reform Elementary School (817 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW) at 9:00 p.m. Mr. Nick Tolstick, Mr. Michael Hinton, Mrs. Annie Jackson, Mrs. LaSonja Richardson and Mrs. Debbie Holley were present. Others present were Superintendent, Leonard Duff, Mrs. Jennifer Shirley, Mrs. Vanessa Anthony, Ms. Anissa Ball, Mr. Jamie Chapman and Board Attorney Mr. Ray Ward.

The swearing in of the newly elected Board Member Nick Tolstick was conducted by Board Attorney Ray Ward.

1. **MEETING OPENED:**

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

2. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the additions; *II. Christine Frazier, III.C. AASB Report.*

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the November 19, 2012 meeting as presented.

4. **RECOGNITION OF SUPERINTENDENT:**

Board Chairman, Nick Tolstick present Superintendent, Leonard Duff with a plaque in recognition of his 17 ½ years of service to the Pickens County School System.

Christine Frazier, spokesperson for the Pickens communities, commended Dr. Duff for his years of service to the community and all the children of Pickens County.

5. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**

On a motion Debbie Holley, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the November 2012 payroll as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley.

6. **RECOGNITION OF PCHS STUDENT:**

Pickens County High sophomore, Brain Ferguson, was recognized for competing in the American Youth Bull Riding National Finals held in Ignacio, Colorado on November 1-4, 2012.

7. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the financial report as presented by Mrs. Jennifer Shirley for November and cash balances as follows:

General Fund	\$1,358,872.25
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	1,014,103.50
Capital CD	340,232.28
Debt Service Fund	0.00
CNP Balance	
Federal Programs	22,075.74
Local Schools	611.402.50

8. **AASB REPORT:**

The Board Members reported on the AASB Conference held in Birmingham on December 4-6, 2012. Each member agreed that the sessions were helpful and informative.

9. **APPROVE SCHOOL START SURVEY:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to vote YES on the following school start survey question. If the legislature grants local school systems the option to begin the 2013-14 school year before Monday, August 19, 2013, would you recommend your schools take advantage of an earlier start date?

10. **APPROVE RESOLUTION TO BORROW FUNDS FOR EARLY DECEMBER PAYROLL:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to borrow funds for early December payroll.



