

The Pickens County Board of Education met on February 15, 2012 at the Central Office (377 LaDow Center Circle) at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Travis Bailey (arrived 10:35), Mr. Roger Minton, Mr. Nick Tolstick, Mr. Michael Hinton (arrived 10:40), and Mrs. Debbie Holley were present. Others present were Superintendent Leonard Duff, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Alma Somerville, Rufus Wilkins, Jamie Chapman and Chan Mullenix.

1. **MEETING OPENED:**
Vice Chairman, Nick Tolstick welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that a moment of silence be observed. On a motion by Roger Minton, seconded by Debbie Holley the meeting was pronounced open.
2. **APPROVE AGENDA:**
On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Roger Minton the Board unanimously approved the agenda.
3. **QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW TEAM:**
Dr. Robert Gilbert chairperson of the AdvanceEd Quality Assurance Review Team gave a PowerPoint presentation of the steps and procedures used by the review team to grant the Pickens County Schools district accreditation for the next five (5) years. Dr. Gilbert told the Board the system would receive a written report detailing the five commendations and three findings of required action. He told the Board a letter will accompany the report explaining the timeline allowed the Pickens County System to respond and explain the actions being taken to address the three findings. Dr. Gilbert and his team thanked the Pickens County System for the hospitality and professionalism shown to them during the review.
4. **APPROVE MINUTES:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Nick Tolstick the Board unanimously approved the minutes from the January 18, 2012 meeting.
5. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton seconded by Nick Tolstick the Board unanimously approved the January payroll as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley.
6. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Roger Minton the Board unanimously the financial report as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley for the month of January and cash balances as follows:

General Fund	\$1,564,100.02
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	705,376.15
Capital CD	338,710.56
Debt Service Fund	74,788.00
CNP	805,296.15
Federal Programs	85,680.22
Local Schools	567,580.57
7. **HOSA STATE COMPETITION:**
Career Tech teachers Lee Holley and Natalie Lavender reported to the Board that they had nine students place at the State HOSA competition and that those students would be competing at the national competition to be held in Orlando, Florida in June. Dr. Duff and the Board commended the students and teachers for their commitment and hard work and the accomplishments being made in the Career Tech Program.
8. **CURRICULUM PLANNING FOR ADVANCE PLACEMENT COURSES:**
Alma Somerville and Jamie Chapman reported to the Board on the curriculum planning for advance placement courses being offered to the students in the system and the advantage these courses give the students.
9. **Fencing Reform Elementary Walking Track:**
Rufus Wilkins gave an update on the progress being made to fence the new walking track at Reform Elementary School.
10. **APPROVE LOCATION CHANGE OF MARCH 14TH BOARD MEETING:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Nick Tolstick the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to change the location of the March 14th board meeting from Carrollton Elementary to Pickens County High School.
11. **TABLE EQUAL EDUCATOINAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY (JA):**
On a motion by Nick Tolstick, seconded by Roger Minton the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to table the Equal Opportunity Policy (JA) for 30 days.
12. **TABLE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYMENT POLICY REVISION (GAAA):**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Nick Tolstick the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to table the Equal Opportunity Employment Policy Revision (GAAA) for 30 days.

