

The Pickens County Board of Education met on April 29, 2013 at the Central Office (377 LaDow Center Circle) at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Annie Jackson, Mrs. LaSonja Richardson, Mr. Nick Tolstick, Mr. Michael Hinton, and Mrs. Debbie Holley were present. Others present were Superintendent Jamie Chapman, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Alma Somerville, Anissa Ball, and Alesia Williams.

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.
3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**
On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the minutes from the April 15, 2013 meeting.
4. **TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE:**
Superintendent Chapman informed the Board that a company out of Meridian Mississippi is going to meet with Mr. Shamery and staff to look over our infrastructure needs. He told the Board that the Pickens County School System does not have enough band width to accommodate the needs of our schools. Mr. Chapman told the Board that we are behind in the ability to keep up with our technology needs due to our infrastructure.
5. **APPROVE PAPER BID:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to award the 8 ½ x 11 copy paper bid to the lowest responsible bidder Newell Paper Company.

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to award the 8 ½ x 14 copy paper bid to the lowest responsible bidder Newell Paper Company.

6. **APPROVE PLAYGROUND RELOCATION BID:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to award the bid to relocate the Head Start playground equipment from Aliceville, Reform, and Gordo to Carrollton to the lowest responsible bidder J. A. Dawson.
7. **APPROVE FEASIBILITY STUDY:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to have Dr. Salmon conduct a county-wide feasibility study. (cost not to exceed \$8,500.00)
8. **APPROVE AMENDMENT TO 2013-14 SCHOOL CALENDAR:**
On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Michael Hinton the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to amend the 2013-14 school calendar. (change April 23, 2014 to a full student day)
9. **DECLARE REDUCTION IN FORCE FOR ALL AIDE POSITIONS:**
On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Michael Hinton the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to declare reduction in force for the position of Aides.
10. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 6:25 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The Board reconvened at 7:52 a.m. and Chairman Nick Tolstick declared the meeting back into open session.
11. **PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:**
On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's personnel recommendation as follows:

Resignation/Retirement

Joan Duren	GHS, Aide, effective 6/1/13
Nancy Duke	PCHS, Reading Coach, effective 6/1/13

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Michael Hinton the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's personnel recommendation as follows:

Employment

Ken Holder	Contract Principal, GES, effective 7/1/2013
Mark Capps	Contract Principal, GHS, effective 7/1/2013

12. **MEETING ADJOURNED:**
There being no further business, Chairman Nick Tolstick adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

