

The Pickens County Board of Education met on May 14, 2012 at the Central Office (377 Ladow Center Circle) at 6:30 p.m. Travis Bailey, Roger Minton, Nick Tolstick, Michael Hinton and Debbie Holley were present. Others present were Superintendent Leonard Duff, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Claude Adams, Alma Somerville, Anissa Ball, Jamie Chapman, Turner Oliver, and Lisa Stamps.

1. **MEETING OPENDED:**

Board Chairman, Travis Bailey welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that a moment of silence be observed. On a motion by Nick Tolstick, seconded by Debbie Holley the meeting was pronounced open.

2. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the additions of *III. D. 2012-13 School Calendar, III. E. Aliceville 7th and 8th Grades*, and deletion of *IV. A. Approve Revised 2012-13 School Calendar, IV. B. Approve Support Services 2012-13 Calendar*.

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Nick Tolstick the Board unanimously approved the minutes from the April 9th and May 3, 2012 meetings.

4. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Michael Hinton the Board unanimously approved the April payroll as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley.

5. **GHS STUDENT ELECTED AS FBLA STATE OFFICER:**

April Kyles, GHS Business Teacher informed the Board that while at state competition GHS student, Beth Dyer ran for and was elected a State Officer. Beth now holds the Future Business Leaders of America State Office of Vice President for District III. Beth spoke to the Board explaining the duties and responsibilities she will have over the next year as Vice President of District III which includes attending the National Conference in San Antonio, Texas in June. Dr. Duff and the Board commended Ms. Dyer on her accomplishment.

6. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

On a motion by Roger Minton, seconded by Nick Tolstick the Board unanimously approved the April financial report as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley and the cash balances as follows:

General Fund	\$1,471,120.50
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	1,162,946.38
Capital CD	338,710.56
Debt Service Fund	130,879.00
CNP	899,116.68
Federal Programs	128,342.30
Local Schools	498,908.33

7. **2012-13 SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

Vanessa Anthony reported that the staff was working on a revised 2012-13 calendar to be in compliance with the new law that states that school may begin no sooner than Monday, August 20th and end no later than Friday, May 24th. She told the Board the law allows systems to build the calendar to include 180 days of instruction or 1080 hours of instruction time. Mrs. Anthony told the Board that the Central Office staff was preparing both options to present to the system for a vote and would try to have a revised calendar for Board approval at the next meeting.

8. **ALICEVILLE 7TH AND 8TH GRADES:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to leave the 7th and 8th grades at Aliceville Middle School.

9. **APPROVE ONE MONTH OPERATING RESERVE RESOLUTION:**

On a motion by Nick Tolstick, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve a one month operating reserve resolution.

10. **CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE APPOINTEES:**

Dr. Duff asked if the Board had the names of the two appointees each member is to appoint for the Capital Plan Committee. The Board said they would email the names to the Central Office.

11. **DECLARE REDUCTION IN FORCE:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board in a 3-2 vote (Holley, Hinton, Bailey – Yes, Minton, Tolstick – No) approved the Superintendent's recommendation to declare reduction in force for certified and non-certified personnel.

12. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a motion by Nick Tolstick, seconded by Roger Minton the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 7:05 p.m. to discuss personnel and student matters. The Board reconvened at 8:23 p.m. and Chairman Travis Bailey declared the meeting back into open session.

13. **PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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

EMPLOYMENT

Ken Holder Contract Principal GHS, effective 7/1/2012

RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT

Diane Criswell	CNP Worker, effective 6/1/2012
Debra Mathews	GES Teacher, effective 6/1/2012
Gwen Sullivan	GES Aide, effective 6/1/2012
Jennifer Thrasher	Bus Driver, effective 5/24/2012
Earnestine Bozeman	AHS Teacher, effective 5/31/2012

VOLUNTARY TRANSFER

Amy Dunner From RES Cafeteria, To GES Cafeteria (for remainder of school year)

14. **ZONE VARIANCES:**

No action taken.

15. **MEETING ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business, Chairman Travis Bailey adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary