

The Pickens County Board of Education met on May 19, 2014 at the Central Office (377 Ladow Center Circle) at 6:00 p.m. Nick Tolstick, Michael Hinton, Annie Jackson, LaSonja Richardson and Debbie Holley were present. Others present were Superintendent Jamie Chapman, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Alesia Williams, Alma Somerville, and Anissa Ball was present.

1. **MEETING OPENDED:**

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 LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the additions; *III.B. Mr. Dennis Coe, State Department, and IV.D. Approve School Fiscal Accountability Law Resolution.*

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the minutes from the May 1, 2014 and May 15, 2014 meetings.

4. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**

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

5. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the April financial report as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley and the cash balances as follows:

General Fund	\$1,545,725.18
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	912,257.92
Capital CD	341,074.70
Debt Service Fund	136,500.00
CNP	552,500.20
Federal Programs	39,143.05
Local Schools	

6. **MR. DENNIS COE, STATE DEPARTMENT:**

Dennis Coe, Director of Supporting Programs spoke to the Board about the School Fiscal Accountability Law which requires local boards of educations to develop a plan to establish and maintain a minimum General Fund balance equal to one month's operating expenses. He informed the Board that Pickens County was one (1) of twenty (20) school systems in the state that did not have the required one month operating reserve. The State Department has calculated that Pickens County has a shortfall of \$478,592.00. He told the Board that Pickens County had very limited options available to them and that the Board would need to make some hard budgeting decision to get Pickens County into compliance with the law. Mr. Coe then went over those options: consolidation of schools, seeking more local revenue, looking at transportation cost (bus routes), and Child Nutrition cost (meal per labor hours, meal cost).

7. **APPROVE POLICY EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the policy Equitable Distribution of Funds.

8. **APPROVE POLICY REVISION WELLNESS ON NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve policy revision Wellness on Nutrition and Physical Activity.

9. **APPROVE RESOLUTION SCHOOL FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY LAW:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the school fiscal accountability law resolution.

10. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 6:50 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The Board reconvened at 7:30 p.m. and Chairman Nick Tolstick declared the meeting back into open session.

11. **PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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

Employees Recommended for Tenure Status

A. Teacher/Administrators

Jessica Tolstick	Teacher, AES
Nick Roberson	Teacher, PCHS

B. Support Personnel
Carolyn Oden Custodian, GES

Transfers

A. Teachers/Administrators
Leigh Wheat From: ½ AES, ½ AMS Special Ed Teacher
TO: Full-time Special Ed Teacher, AMS

Natalie Lavender From: .3 Health Science Teacher, GHS, PCHS, AHS
To: Full-time Health Science Teacher, Career Tech Center

Martha Greathree From: Cosmetology Teacher, AHS
To: Cosmetology Teacher, Career Tech Teacher

Phyllis Brown From: Assistant Principal, AHS
To: Special Education Teacher, PCHS

Belinda Terry From: Teacher, AMS
To: Teacher, GES

Keith Johnson From: Welding Teacher, PCHS
To: Welding Teacher, Career Tech Center

Barbara Jenkins From: Teacher, RES
To: Teacher, AMS

B. Support Personnel
Jimmy Wilder From: Bus Driver/Aide, RES
To: Bus Driver/Facilitator Aide, Career Tech Center

Non-Tenured Employees Not Recommended for Re-Employment

A. Teacher/Administrator
Linda Alford Teacher, AHS
Chris Dobbins Teacher, GHS

Resignation/Retirement

Emily Pearson Counselor, PCHS

Contract Extension

Kimberly Clark IEP Coordinator, from 9 months to 10 months
Christopher Anthony Mechanic in Training, through summer

12. **MEETING ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business, Chairman Nick Tolstick adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary