

The Pickens County Board of Education met on August 18, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Central Office (377 LaDow Center Circle, Carrollton, AL 35447). Board member, Michael Hinton was absent. Nick Tolstick, LaSonja Richardson, Annie Jackson and Debbie Holley were present. Others present were Superintendent Jamie Chapman, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Anissa Ball, Alesia Williams, and Alma Somerville.

1. **MEETING OPENED:**

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

2. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the addition *Community Group – Aliceville Manor Nursing Home.*

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the minutes on the July 21, 2014 meeting.

4. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**

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

5. **COMMUNITY GROUPS:**

Career Tech Director Alma Somerville and Health Science Teacher, Natalie Lavender announced that Aliceville Manor Nursing Home was recently presented the Alabama Association for Career Education Award of Merit. Mrs. Somerville and Mrs. Lavender thanked Mark and Melinda Wheat for the long-time association the Pickens County Schools has had with Aliceville Manor.

6. **BUDGET HEARING**

The first public hearing for the FY 15 budget was declared open by Chairman Nick Tolstick. Mrs. Jennifer Shirley, CSFO presented the preliminary budget for FY 15 including State, Federal, and Local funds, explaining revenue and expenditure items. Mrs. Shirley informed the public of the public review and comment forms made available in the budget handout. After opening the hearing for a question and answer session Chairman Nick Tolstick declared the budget hearing closed. The next budget hearing will be September 15, 2014 at 6:00 pm. at the Central Office.

7. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the financial statement as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley for the month of July and the cash balances as follows:

	<u>June 2014</u>
General Fund	\$1,210,442.69
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	1,293,162.64
Capital CD	342,269.63
Debt Service Fund	-38,463.75
CNP Balance	529,346.73
Federal Funds	81,947.95
Local Schools	

8. **AASB DISTRICT 7 MEETING:**

Superintendent Chapman informed the Board that AASB District 7 meeting will be held on September 8, 2014 at the Capstone Hotel in Tuscaloosa at 6 p.m.

9. **WHOLE BOARD TRAINING:**

Superintendent Chapman reminded the Board that by law each Alabama school board must have at least two hours annually of whole board, interactive training. He asked the Board for suggestions on training session offered by AASB they were interested in and possible dates for training. The Board suggested Facilitated Goal Setting or Community Engagement and asked the Superintendent to get dates available for these training sessions.

10. **DISTRICT DIRECTOR ELECTIONS**

Superintendent Chapman informed the Board that elections will be held this fall for District 7 Director. Any active member can be nominated or can nominate himself/herself. Each board member was given nomination information received from Alabama Association of School Boards.

11. **SALES TAX PLAN:**

Superintendent Chapman told the Board that the new one-cent sales tax will begin to be collected on October 1 and the Board should received its first collection around October 31<sup>st</sup>. He reminded the Board of the plan they approved on how the money will be spent: 60 percent on capital improvements, 25 percent on school personnel and 15 percent on debt.

**12. TOUR OF THE FUTURE OF PUBLIC EDUCATION:**

Superintendent Chapman told the Board that State Superintendent Dr. Bice is conducting a tour to twelve different sites across the state. The presentation will cover the following important topics for students and families: Plan 2020, Alabama College and Career Ready Standards, Student Testing, and Alabama Plan for Accountability. The tour of the future of public education will be in Tuscaloosa on September 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Tuscaloosa Career & Technology Academy at 6 p.m.

**13. APPROVE CNP SMALL WARE BID:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to award the CNP Small Ware bid to Dixie Store Fixtures.

**14. APPROVE 2014-15 TRANSPORTATION SALARY SCHEDULE:**

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2014-15 Transportation salary schedule.

**15. APPROVE POLICY REVISION GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the policy revision to graduation requirements.

**16. APPROVE PROPOSED BOARD MEETING CHANGE:**

On a motion by LaSonya Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to change the September 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting to September 15 due to schedule conflict with the AASB District 7 meeting.

**17. APPROVE AMENDED 2014 BUDGET:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2014 budget amendments as presented by CSFO Jennifer Shirley.

**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 10:40 a.m. to discuss personnel matters. The Board reconvened at 11:22 p.m. and Chairman Nick Tolstick declared the meeting back into open session.

**19. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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

**Resignations:**

Rebecca Stallworth                      Social Studies Teacher, Pickens County High

**Employment**

Dondrius Mayhew                      English Teacher, Aliceville High  
Quandria Robinson                      Social Studies Teacher, Aliceville High  
Rodney Shamery                      Science Teacher, Aliceville High  
John Brackett                      Social Studies Teacher, Pickens County High

**Leave of Absence**

Nancy Edwards                      CNP Manager, AES, Medial Leave, 9/8/14 – 9/30/14  
Tina Junkin                      CNP Worker, GES/GHS, Medial Leave, 8/6/14 – 9/2/14

**Reassignment:**

Regina Wilkins                      To: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Reform Elementary  
From: 6th Grade Teacher, Reform Elementary

Jennifer Hall                      To: 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, Reform Elementary  
From: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Reform Elementary

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board voted (Richardson abstained) to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendation as follows:

**Employment:**

Richard Lee Richardson                      Social Studies Teacher, Pickens County High

**20. MEETING ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business, Chairman Nick Tolstick adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary

