

The Pickens County Board of Education met on January 21, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at Pickens County High School (205 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Reform, AL). Nick Tolstick, LaSonja Richardson, Annie Jackson, Michael Hinton, and Debbie Holley were present. Others present were Superintendent Jamie Chapman, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Alesia Williams, and Mark Capps.

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 Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the additions, *III.C. AASB Site Visit, IV.H. Demo of Carrollton School.*

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2014 meeting.

4. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**

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

5. **COMMUNITY GROUPS:** None

6. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the financial statement as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley for the month of December and the cash balances as follows:

General Fund	\$2,480,576.06
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	1,103,958.76
Capital CD	343,299.58
Debt Service Fund	51,536.25
CNP Balance	392,817.46
Federal Funds	28,537.83
Local Schools	

7. **BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION:**

Superintendent, Jamie Chapman presented each board member with a certificate of appreciation for their hard work and dedication to the Pickens County Schools. Pickens County High School also presented each board member with a certificate of appreciation and either a chocolate bar or flower for their service to the system.

8. **AASP SITE VISIT:**

Board member, Michael Hinton informed the Board of his plan to attend the site visit, offered thru AASB, to Huntsville biotech firm, HudsonAlpha, to learn about the free resources the firm offers Alabama teachers.

9. **APPROVE MANDATORY DIRECT DEPOSIT POLICY:**

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation approve the mandatory direct deposit policy.

10. **APPROVE POLICY REVISION PAY DAY PROCEDURE:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the revision to the Pay Day Procedure Policy.

11. **APPROVE DISNEY TRIP FOR ALICEVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved for the Superintendent's recommendation to approve an Aliceville Middle School field trip request to Disney in Orlando, Florida on May 6-8, 2015.

12. **APPROVE NEW YORK TRIP FOR GORDO HIGH SCHOOL:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve a Gordo High School field trip request to New York City on December 9-12, 2015.

13. **APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN K-12 SCHOOL BOND PROGRAM:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to participate in the K-12 school bond program thru the State Department of Education with the agreement not to exceed \$150,000.00 per year of Capital Outlay money.

14. **APPROVE CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROCLAMATION:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Career Technical Education Proclamation.

Superintendent Chapman also informed the Board that the Pickens County technical student organizations will host an appreciation reception for elected officials on February 20<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 11 am at the Career Center.

15. **DEMO OF CARROLLTON SCHOOL:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to rebid the demolition of Carrollton High School.

16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 9:43 a.m. to discuss legal and personnel matters. The Board reconvened at 10:54 a.m. and Chairman Nick Tolstick declared the meeting back into open session.

17. **PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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

**Retirement:**

Joe Walker	Custodian, Aliceville Middle, effective 2/1/15
Jerry McGraw	Custodian, Pickens County High, effective 3/1/15

**Employment:**

Jessica Hawkins	Math Teacher, Aliceville High, effective 1/5/15
Reynelda Huggins	Teacher, Aliceville Elementary

**Leave of Absence**

Lauren Hinton	Speech, Maternity Leave, 02/25 – 04/10/15
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18. **MEETING ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business, Chairman Nick Tolstick adjourned the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary