

The Pickens County Board of Education met on February 28, 2018 at 9:00 p.m. at Aliceville Elementary School (800 Columbus Road, Aliceville, AL). LaSonja Richardson, Annie Jackson, Michael Hinton and Debbie Holley were present. Nick Tolstick was absent. Others present were Superintendent Jamie Chapman, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Russell Smart, Fred Young and Board Attorney, Ray Ward.

1. **MEETING OPENED:**

Chairman Debbie Holley 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 Annie Jackson, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the agenda.

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2018 meeting.

4. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the December payroll as presented by CSFO, Jennifer Shirley.

5. **COMMUNITY GROUPS:**

The Aliceville Elementary Choir sang two hymns, in honor of Black History month.

Mr. Herbert Lavender, on behalf of the Retired Teachers, asked the Board to consider revising the process for concerned citizens to be placed on the agenda to address the Board. He also asked the Board to immediately cease all efforts to be released from Lee vs. Macon.

Mr. Terrence Windham also asked that the policy to address the Board be reconsidered. Mr. Windham told the Board that the community is concerned with the K-3 reading proficiency scores. He also asked the Board to remove the request to be released from Lee vs. Macon.

6. **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by LaSonja Richardson, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the January financials with the cash balances as follows:

General Fund	\$2,989,790.93
Bond Proceeds	1,585,189.44
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	998,863.82
Capital CD	347,087.94
Debt Service Fund	307,711.88
CNP	290,730.95
Federal Programs	57,343.27
Local Schools	762,261.11(December) 835,201.01 (January)

7. **SCHOOL REPORT CARDS:**

Superintendent Chapman reminded the Board that the school report card is based off the ACT Aspire data that does not align with Alabama curriculum. The failing school list came out before the report card and Aliceville High School is on the list.

8. **GEAR UP UPDATE:**

Mrs. Lynn Marine and the Site Facilitators presented information and updates on the GEAR UP program.

9. **ECONOMIC INTEREST FORMS:**

Mrs. Vanessa Anthony informed the Board that it was time to complete their Statement of Economic Interest. She explained that all elected officials and board employees that make over \$75,000.00 per year are required to file the form by April 30, 2018.

10. STUDENT RECOGNITION:

Mrs. Anthony, introduced and congratulated, Destinye Jones the Aliceville High Senior that won the Congressional Art Competition. Destinye won two trips to Washington D.C. where her drawing will be displayed on the White House for two years.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson, the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 10:13 a.m. to discuss pending litigation. The Board reconvened at 12:13 p.m. and Chairman Debbie Holley declared the meeting back into open session.

12. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION:

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Annie Jackson, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following personnel recommendations:

Leave of Absence:

Joe N Duff	Aide, GES, Medical Leave, effective 2/19-5/24/18
Sarah Gunter	Teacher, RES, Maternity Leave, effective 3/2-5/25/18

Resignations:

LaMonica Little	Career Coach, effective 3/5/18
Nelda Cunningham	Bus Driver, effective 2/21/18

13. MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business, Chairman Debbie Holley adjourned the meeting at 12:23.m.

Chairman

Secretary