

The Pickens County Board of Education met on July 25, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Central Office (377 LaDow Center Circle, Carrollton, AL). LaSonja Richardson, Annie Jackson, and Debbie Holley were present. Nick Tolstick and Michael Hinton were absent. Others present were Superintendent Jamie Chapman, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, and board attorney, Ray Ward.

1. **MEETING OPENED:**

Chairman Annie Jackson 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 Superintendent's recommendation to approve the agenda with the addition, *3.E. Gordo Athletic Club Plans*.

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by LaSonya Richardson, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the minutes from the June 26 and July 10, 2017 meetings.

4. **APPROVE PAYROLL:**

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

5. **COMMUNITY GROUPS:** None

6. **APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

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

General Fund	\$2,295,799.14
Bond Proceeds	5,592,732.17
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	1,293,643.29
Capital CD	346,392.94
Debt Service Fund	313,515.25
CNP	324,215.81
Federal Programs	72,563.05

7. **AUDIT REPORT:**

Mrs. Brooke Hynds, State of Alabama Department of Examiners of Public Accounts presented the October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016 auditors' report for the school system. Mrs. Hynds reported that as required by Act 206-196 the Acts of Alabama in accordance with the School Fiscal Accountability Act, they were required by the legislature to present the findings of each annual audit report at a public meeting. On the financial statements and the system two largest federal funds (Title I and CNP) they issued an unqualified opinion, which is the best opinion a system can receive. She commended CSFO, Jennifer Shirley and the school bookkeepers for their excellent handling the systems funds.

8. **WHATLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL BASED HEALTH CENTER UPDATE:**

9. Mrs. Deborah Tucker gave an update on the Whatley community school based health center that is located on the Aliceville High campus. She informed the Board that Whatley had received approval of a \$500,000 construction grant for improvements to the facility. Mrs. Tucker told the board that last school was an exceptional year, with 96% student consent for care and 92% of student body received service.

10. **CAREER CENTER UPDATE:**

Superintendent Chapman updated the Board on the progress being made at the new Career Center site in Carrollton. He informed them that brick and stone work is going up and the project is 45% complete.

11. **GORDO ATHLETIC CLUB PLANS:**

Superintendent Chapman informed the Board that the Gordo Athletic Club has identified some improvements that they felt needed to be made to the Gordo facility. He told the Board that three (3) individuals have borrowed the funds to make the improvements and that those individuals, not Pickens County Schools, are responsible for the loan.

12. **APPROVE DIESEL/GASOLINE BID:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to award the Diesel/Gasoline bid to the lowest responsible bidder Petroleum Traders.

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by LaSonja Richardson, the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 8:22 a.m. to discuss pending litigation, and personnel matters. The Board reconvened at 10:18 a.m., and Chairman Annie Jackson declared the meeting back into open session.

14. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by LaSonja Richardson, the board unanimously approved the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as follows:

Employment:

Sharon Washington	Teacher, AES
Sara Howell	English Teacher, GHS
Nelda J Wilkins	Bus Driver
Mallory Mullenix	Bus Driver
Elizabeth Fuller	Speech Language Pathologist
TaNeezia Cook	Media Specialist, AHS

Transfer:

Nicole Masoner	From: Reform bus route	To: Gordo bus route
Myah Shamery	From: Aide, GHS	To: Aide, AES

Resignation:

Billie R Dixon	CNP Assistant Manager, RES
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15. ZONE VARIANCE:

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved zone variances 1 – 44 and denied zone variance 45 for elementary and high school students for the 2017-2018 school year.

16. UPDATE SMART STUDENT HEALTH CENTER CONSENT:

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to update the SMART Student Health Center consent to ensure compliance with State and Federal guidelines, including allowing annual wellness visits.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business, Chairman Annie Jackson adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

Chairman

Secretary