

The Pickens County Board of Education met on July 27, 2015 at the Central Office (377 Ladow Center Circle) at 6:00 p.m. Nick Tolstick, Annie Jackson, LaSonja Richardson, Debbie Holley and Michael Hinton were present. Others present were Superintendent Jamie Chapman, Vanessa Anthony, Jennifer Shirley, Anissa Ball, and Alesia Williams.

1. **MEETING OPENED:**

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 Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the agenda.

3. **APPROVE MINUTES:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2015 and June 30, 2015 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. **APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORT:**

6. 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 June and the cash balances as follows:

General Fund	\$1,773,722.58
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	1,578,040.39
Capital CD	343,299.58
Debt Service Fund	-68,877.44
CNP Balance	408,532.65
Federal Funds	2,853.72
Local Schools	666,806.94 (May)

7. **AUDIT REPORT:**

Mrs. Shelley Patrenos, State of Alabama Department of Examiners of Public Accounts presented the October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014 auditors' report for the school system. Mrs. Patrenos 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 they issued an unqualified opinion, which is the best opinion you can receive. She commended CSFO, Jennifer Shirley and the school bookkeepers for their excellent handling of the systems funds.

8. **POSSIBLE PARTNERSHIP WITH WHATLEY HEALTH SERVICES:**

Superintendent Chapman reported to the Board that it is a strong possibility in the future that a partnership with Whatley Health Services, UA and Pickens County Medical Center will continue and extend to a community school health program. He also added that this partnership could potentially lead to students gaining working experience in the health care field prior to college. Mr. Chapman also said we would love to have MD resident students come in our schools to help take care of our students that are not presently getting health care.

9. **APPROVE FY15 BUDGET AMENDMENT:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the FY15 budget amendment as presented by CSFO Jennifer Shirley.

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

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to award the diesel/gasoline bid to Midstates Petroleum Company the lowest responsible bidder.

11. **APPROVE PAPER BID:**

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously agreed to the Superintendent's recommendation to award the paper bid for 8 ½ x 11 copy paper to the lowest responsible bidder Strickland Paper Company.

On a motion by Annie Jackson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously agreed to the Superintendent's recommendation to award the paper bid for 8 ½ x 14 copy paper to the lowest responsible bidder Strickland Paper Company.

12. **APPROVED NEW POLICY - CREDIT ADVANCEMENT:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Credit Advancement Policy.

13. **APPROVE POLICY REVISION – SELECTION OF HONOR GRADUATES (IHC):**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the revision to the Selection of Honor Graduates Policy.

14. **APPROVE POLICY REVISION – CREDIT RECOVERY:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the revision to the Credit Recovery Policy.

15. **APPROVE POLICY REVISION – DUAL ENROLLMENT/DUAL CREDIT/ADVANCE PLACEMENT PROGRAMS/WEIGHTED GPA (IDCGA):**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the revision to the Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit/Advance Placement Programs/Weighted GPA Policy.

16. **APPROVE POLICY REVISION – SPECIAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION (IHFA):**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded by Michael the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the revision to the Special Education Requirements for Graduation Policy.

17. **TABLE POLICY REVISION – LIVE WORK IN CAREER TECHNICAL PROGRAMS:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board approved the Superintendent's recommendation to table until the next meeting the Live Work in Career Technical Programs policy revision.

18. **TABLE POLICY REVISION – SAFETY IN CAREER TECHNICAL PROGRAMS:**

On a motion by LaSonja Richardson, seconded by Michael Hinton the Board approved the Superintendent's recommendation to table until the next meeting the Safety in Career Technical Programs policy revision.

19. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously agreed to convene into executive session at 6:45 p.m. to discuss personnel and student matters. The Board reconvened at 7:25 p.m. and Chairman Nick Tolstick declared the meeting back into open session.

20. **PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

On a motion by Debbie Holley, seconded Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to employ the following;

EMPLOYMENT:

Morgan Milstead	Science Teacher, AHS
Ruby Thomas	Business Teacher, AHS
Joseph Moore	Business Teacher, PCHS
Sandra Kennedy	Teacher, AES
Sandra Hill	Teacher, AES
Theron Wood	Math Teacher, AHS
Tana Dodd	Math Teacher, AHS
Sonya DeGraffenried	Bus Driver
Elizabeth Lowe	Bus Driver
Nicole Masoner	Bus Driver
Shasta McGee	Bus Driver
Brian Hucks	Mechanic
Allen McDaniel	Mechanic in Training
Shawn McDaniel	Asst. Principal/Teacher, PCCC

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept the following resignations:

RESIGNATIONS:

Victoria Fason	Teacher, AES
Brenda Jones	Reading Coach, RES
Maurice Arrington	Band Teacher, AHS
Melinda Robinson	Teacher, GES

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Debbie Holley the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to the following leave of absence:

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Lauren Hinton	Speech, RES/AES, 2015-16 School Year
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On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board approved Board President, Nick Tolstick recommendation, from appointed Superintendent Ryan Hollingsworth, for the following employment:

Employment:

James W. Chapman, III Science Teacher, GHS

21. **ZONE VARIANCE**

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by LaSonja Richardson the Board unanimously approved zone variances 40 - 42 for elementary and high school students for the 2015-16 school year.

On a motion by Michael Hinton, seconded by Annie Jackson the Board unanimously denied zone variances 43 for elementary school student for the 2015-16 school year.

22. **MEETING ADJOURNED:**

There being no further business, Chairman Nick Tolstick adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary