

1. The Pike County Board of Education met at 5:30 p.m. in regular monthly session at the offices of the board located at 101 W. Love Street, Troy, Alabama. Board members present for the meeting were as follows:

Mr. W. Greg Price, President      District Two

Mr. Chris Wilkes, Vice-President      District Six

Rev. Earnest Green      District One

Mr. Wyman Botts      District Three

Mrs. Linda Steed      District Four

Rev. Herbert Reynolds      District Five

Dr. Mark Bazzell, Superintendent      Secretary to the board

2. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. Price, and Rev. Green gave the invocation.

3. The minutes of the February 16, 2009, meeting were approved as presented on the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Rev. Reynolds.

4. On the motion of Rev. Green seconded by Mr. Wilkes, the board adopted the agenda with the addition of one item to the original agenda that was sent to board members.

5. The financial statement and bank reconciliation for the month of February, 2009, was presented and approved on the motion of Rev. Reynolds seconded by Rev. Green.

6. The board approved payment of payrolls and bills and accounts for the month of March, 2009, on the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Mr. Botts.

7. On the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Rev. Reynolds, the board approved Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2009 annual budget.

8. The school attendance calendar for 2009-2010 was approved on the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Rev. Green. (Copy attached)

9. On the motion of Rev Reynolds seconded by Mr. Botts, the board approved the 2009-2010 textbook adoptions for English/Language Arts. (Copy attached)

10. On the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Rev. Reynolds, the board approved the request by Dr. Kenneth Bynum to attend the NAESP Annual Convention in New Orleans on April 2-5, 2009, with expenses to be paid from Professional Development funds.

11. On the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Rev. Green, the board approved the request for Pam Franklin, Cathy Childs, JoAnne Kilpatrick, and Dr. Kenneth Bynum to attend the National Reading First Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio, on July 14-16, 2009, with expenses to be paid from Reading First Professional Development funds.

12. On the motion of Mrs. Steed seconded by Rev. Reynolds, the board approved the request by Elizabeth Grubbs to attend the Partnerships for Indian Education Workshop in Norman, Oklahoma, on April 17-19, 2009, with expenses to be paid from Indian Education Program funds.

13. On the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Mr. Botts, the board approved the request by Coach Thornton for the Goshen High School track team to attend the 2A sectional track meet in Smith Station, Alabama, on April 24-25, 2009, with the board to provide transportation only.

14. On the motion of Rev. Green seconded by Rev. Reynolds, the board approved the request by George Stringer for a group of Troy Pike Center for Technology students to attend the 2009 State Leadership Conference, Skills Championships, and Career Expo at the Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center in Montgomery on April 29-30, 2009, with the board to provide transportation only.

15. On the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Rev. Reynolds, the board accepted resignations, as listed:

- Melma Jordan for retirement from her position as teacher at Goshen Elementary School, effective June 1, 2009;
- Robert Hall for retirement from his position as Band Director at Goshen High School, effective June 1, 2009;
- Ann Barbaree for retirement from her position as Dropout Prevention Advisor at Goshen High School, effective June 1, 2009;
- Carrie James for retirement from her position as teacher aide at Pike County Elementary School, effective June 1, 2009;
- Janie Sharpe for retirement from her position as teacher aide at Banks School, effective June 1, 2009;
- Ramona Watson for retirement from her position as Executive Director of the Pike Regional Child Advocacy Center, effective May 1, 2009;
- Bonnie Brown from her position in the accounting department in the central office, effective June 1, 2009;
- Howard Ballard from his position as Alternative Learning Center teacher, effective May 31, 2009;
- Ruby Green from her position as CNP assistant at Pike County High School, effective March 27, 2009.

16. The board, on the motion of Rev. Green seconded by Mr. Wilkes, approved the request by Darron Ellis for Family Medical Leave and catastrophic leave from his position as bus driver, effective February 23, 2009.

17. The board, on the motion of Rev. Reynolds, seconded by Mr. Botts, approved the request by Neana Fountain for maternity leave from her position as teacher at Pike County Elementary School for the tentative period of May 1-29, 2009.
18. The board, on the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Mr. Botts, approved the request by Dawn Key for maternity leave, catastrophic leave, and Family Medical Leave, if needed, from her position as teacher at Pike County Elementary School.
19. Yancey Gordon was approved as assistant baseball coach at Goshen High School, on the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Rev. Green.
20. The board approved \$500.00 compensation for Radney Williams as track coach at Pike County High School, on the motion of Mrs. Steed seconded by Mr. Botts.
21. On the motion of Rev. Green seconded by Rev. Reynolds, the board approved the request for Pike County High School Latin students to attend the Alabama Junior Classical League annual convention and competition at Vestavia Hills High School on April 17-18, with the board to provide transportation.
22. On the motion of Rev. Reynolds seconded by Mr. Wilkes, the board went into executive session at 6:03 p.m. to discuss pending legal matters. Regular open session was resumed at 7:00 p.m., following the executive session.
23. There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m., on the motion of Rev. Green seconded by Mr. Wilkes.