

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 13, 2008

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:

- Rev. Earnest Green, President                      District One
- Rev. Herbert Reynolds, Vice-President              District Five
- Mr. Wyman Botts                                      District Three
- Mr. W. Greg Price                                      District Two
- Mr. Chris Wilkes                                      District Six
- Dr. Mark Bazzell, Superintendent                      Secretary to the board

2. The meeting was called to order by the president, Rev. Green, who also gave the invocation.

3. The minutes of the September 15, 2008, meeting were approved as presented on the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Rev. Reynolds.

4. On the motion of Mr. Price seconded by Mr. Wilkes, the board adopted the agenda with the addition of two items to the original agenda that was sent to board members.

5. A resolution recognizing November 16-22 as American Education Week and Tuesday, November 18, as Retired Teachers= Day was approved on the motion of Rev. Reynolds seconded by Mr. Botts. (Copy attached)

6. The financial statement and bank reconciliation for September, 2008, was presented and approved on the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Mr. Price.

7. The board approved payment of bills and accounts for September 30 and payrolls and bills and accounts for the month of October, 2008, on the motion of Rev. Reynolds seconded by Mr. Wilkes.

8. By acclamation, the board nominated Mr. Botts as the delegate with Rev. Green as the alternate to represent the board at the 2008 Alabama Association of School Boards Delegate Assembly on December 4, 2008, in Birmingham.

9. The board approved payment of the property insurance premium for 2008-2009 to the Alabama Division of Risk Management in the amount of \$92,849, on the motion of Mr. Price seconded by Mr. Wilkes.

10. Dr. Bazzell discussed the bid for construction of the Goshen High School Agricultural Academy Large Animal Management Instructional Facility and the fact that sealed bids had been opened on September 11, 2008, and again on October 9, 2008, with all bids received being over budget and only one bid being received on October 9. On the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Rev. Reynolds, the board approved Dr. Bazzell's recommendation to give Mr. Tom Hicks the authority to negotiate with Pemberton, Inc., the sole bidder on October 9, regarding construction of the facility within the budgeted amount.
11. On the motion of Rev. Reynolds seconded by Mr. Price, the board approved the request by East Central Mental Health for a bus and driver to take Day Habilitation Program participants to the Fair in Dothan on November 5, 2008.
12. On the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Mr. Price, the board approved a tax qualified lease purchase plan using the Alabama Joint Purchase Program to lease/purchase 150 computers for teachers by making three annual payments of \$51,629.77 through an agreement with CIT Technology Financing Services, Inc.
13. The board, on the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Rev. Reynolds, approved an agreement with SchoolinSites for webhosting service for the school district and individual schools.
14. The board accepted the resignation of Denetrice Jones, effective October 3, 2008, from her position as bus aide, on the motion of Mr. Price seconded by Rev. Reynolds.
15. Antonio K. Rogers was approved as a volunteer coach for football and basketball at Goshen High School, on the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Mr. Wilkes.
16. The board, on the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Mr. Price, approved an adjustment in compensation from \$150 to \$300 per day for Deborah Huggins Davis as GED Test Examiner at Troy Pike Center for Technology.
17. On the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Mr. Price, the board transferred ownership of excess bus #98-1, 1998 Blue Bird VIN 1GDM7T1XJW506584, to the Pike County Emergency Management Agency.
18. On the motion of Mr. Botts seconded by Rev. Reynolds, the board approved Marilyn Thompson and David Trawick for five and two days per week respectfully to provide contracted services in the guidance department at Pike County High School.
19. On the motion of Rev. Reynolds seconded by Mr. Wilkes, the board went into executive session at 5:52 p.m. to discuss pending legal matters and to hear an employee grievance. Regular open session was resumed at 7:15 p.m., following the executive session.
20. There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m., on the motion of Mr. Wilkes seconded by Rev. Reynolds.