

Decatur County Board of Education
February 17, 2022
Regular Meeting Minutes

The Decatur County Board of Education met for its regular monthly meeting on February 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., at The Decatur County Board of Education. Members present were Mr. Keith Lyle, Board Chairman, Mr. Winston Rollins, Vice Chair, Mr. Eric Worthington, Mr. Brandon Conley, Mr. Kelvin Bouie and Mr. Mike Conder.

Mr. Lyle called the meeting to order. Mr. Rollins gave the invocation.

Mr. Lyle requested a motion to accept the agenda. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a motion to accept the agenda and Mr. Brandon Conley seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Lyle requested a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Eric Worthington made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made the second motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: NONE

SPECIAL RECOGNITION and PRESENTATIONS:

The following students were recognized for placing in Area 5 State Competition:

Brent Miller
Holton Dollar
Gamble Tabb
John David Bell
Dawson Cottles

SUPERINTENDENT COCHRAN'S REPORT:

- COVID Update
 - County's average down from all time high- 14.3%
- NEW BMS
 - The final plans have been submitted and have been approved by the State.
 - A meeting will be held 02/18/2022 to review final designs, colors, and schemes before completing the bid process.
 - A GMP (guaranteed maximum price) for approval will be obtained no later than the April Board meeting
- District Audit Update (Letter Provided)
 - CARES I & II money used for continuity of services to shore up general funds. Now the auditors say you can't use the money in that way and would be issuing findings. An appeal has been filed with the Department of Education and other superintendents have signed in support.
- Community Updates
 - Bainbridge Rotary-Completed 01/11/2022

- Decatur County Commissioners- Completed 02/08/2022
- City of Climax- Completed 01/14/2022
- City of Bainbridge- CANCELED at this time
- JWP- Completed 02/15/2022
- BMS- Completed 02/16/2022
- HES- 02/22/2022
- BHS-02/23/2022
- WBP-02/24/2022
- Board Training
 - A training is scheduled for March 14th at 5:00 p.m. This will complete the hours required.
- Public Comment Log
 - Mr. Holley was contacted on 01/21/2022 to discuss his concerns from the January Board Meeting. A message was left with a follow up answer on 02/11/2022.
 - W.B. Sales was contacted on 01/31/2022. Mr. Sales did not speak at the January meeting but had initially checked to speak. A call was made to answer any questions he had.
 - Mrs. Doris Cosby was contacted on 02/11/2022 to discuss her concerns from the January Board meeting.
- Action Items of Interest
 - Tab 1- Surplus of Vehicles
 - Tab 2 - Personnel
 - The recommendation for the BHS Principal and District Curriculum Director have been made and the letter of recommendation can be found in the personnel packet.

Mr. Rollins inquired about the start date of July 1. Mr. Cochran provided an explanation and how contracts run and all would be negotiated between superintendents.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Administrative Services Report.....Supt. Cochran

Financial.....
Supt. Cochran
At 58% of the year, the revenue is at 71% and 56% expenditures.
There is an increase of 8.5% in SPLOST from FY 21 and FY 22.

School Nutrition Supt. Cochran
At 58% of the year, the revenue is at 48% and 43% expenditures.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Mr. Mike Conder made a motion for the recommendation for the approval of vehicle surplus. A second motion was made by Mr. Brandon Conley the motion was carried unanimously.

2. Mr. Mike Conder made a motion for the recommendation of the personnel packet. A second motion was made by Mr. Kelvin Bouie. Mr. Winston Rollins opposed and all other members approved the recommendations.

Mr. Lyle requested the meeting adjourn with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Keith Lyle, Chairman of Board

Tim Cochran, School Superintendent