The Decatur County Board of Education met for the Work Session Meeting on May 15, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at the Decatur County Board of Education Support Center, 507 Martin Street. Members present were: Dr. Sydney Cochran, Chairman, Mr. Jacky Grubbs, Vice Chairman, Mr. Bobby Barber, Jr., Mr. Kelvin Bouie, Sr., Mr. Randall Jones and Mr. Winston Rollins.

Dr. Cochran called the meeting to order.

Superintendent Rayfield provided the Board with information on the following items:

- Financial and Budget Update - information provided by Superintendent, Dr. Fred Rayfield and Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Tim Matthews.
- Executive Session – Personnel.

Mr. Bobby Barber made a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel with a second by Mr. Kelvin Bouie. The motion carried and the Board entered executive session. No action was taken. Mr. Bobby Barber made a motion to adjourn executive session with a second by Mr. Randall Jones. The motion carried and the Board adjourned executive session. Dr. Cochran called the meeting back to order.

No action was taken.

**REMINDERS:**

Superintendent Notes:

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1). BHS Baccalaureate Service – Sunday, May 18, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.
   BHS Gymnasium – Arrive by 6:30 p.m.

2). BHS Graduation – Tuesday, May 20, 2014 – 8:00 p.m.
   BHS Gymnasium – Arrive 7:00 p.m.

3). See attached listing of End of Year Activities.

Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a second to the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned.

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J. Sydney Cochran  Fred H. Rayfield, Jr.
Chair or Presiding Officer  Secretary
The Decatur County Board of Education met for its regular monthly meeting on May 15, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at the Decatur County Schools Support Center. Members present were: Dr. Sydney Cochran, Chairman, Mr. Jacky Grubbs, Vice Chairman, Mr. Bobby Barber, Jr., Mr. Kelvin Bouie, Sr., Mr. Randall Jones and Mr. Winston Rollins.

Dr. Cochran called the meeting to order. Mr. Jacky Grubbs gave the invocation. The inspirational message was provided by Hutto Middle School music teacher, Mrs. Laura Bowen. Mrs. Laura Bowen introduced the HMS Chorus who sang a song entitled “Happy!”

Dr. Cochran announced that an action item for entering Executive session to discuss personnel would be added to the agenda.

Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to accept the agenda. Mr. Randall Jones gave a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made the second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION and PRESENTATIONS:

- System Retiree Recognition - information provided by Superintendent, Dr. Fred Rayfield and Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Linda B. Lumpkin. The system retirees for 2013 – 2014 were: BHS – Pam Cross, Frank Geslak, Margie Nour and Sheri Dunn-Ulm; BMS – Jimmy Nicholson and Linda Reynolds; HMS – Elise Willis; EKE – Jan Thomas and Beatrice Williams; WBE – Jan Culverson; PLC – Julie Pope; Support Center – Doris Hart; Transportation – Juanita Allen; Central Office – Randy Covington.
- Mr. Tommie Howell, BHS Principal – whom introduced the top three graduating Seniors – Kay Bush, Brooke Parker, and Jacob Thorn.
- Mr. Roy Mathews, HMS Principal – whom introduced HMS Outstanding Student, Keon Guy, the local “If I were Mayor” contest winner whom was recognized at a luncheon held in Atlanta.
- Mr. John Wooden, BMS Principal – whom introduced BMS Duke University Tip 7th Grade Talent Search student Jordan Davis. Peyton Dodson and Mayo Livingston whom were absent were also recognized.
INFORMATION ITEMS:

I. Administrative Services Report:

A. Financial: Tim Matthews, Chief Financial Officer, reported that with 83% of the school year completed, we have expended 79% of the budget. ESPLOST receipts for April were $356,000 and are up from the prior month, and down by 10% for the year. Mr. Matthews noted that the system is in good shape for bond repayment.

B. School Food Service: Debbie Purcell, SFS Director reported that at 83% of the year, SFS had expended 85% of their budget. Mrs. Purcell also commented that the School Food Service Department is busy gearing up for the Summer Feeding Program and preparing to close the 2013-2014 school year.

C. Maintenance: Jerry Mills, Maintenance Director reported on the new Jones Wheat Elementary School project. Overall, the new Jones Wheat Elementary School Project is progressing well, but is three weeks behind schedule due to inclement weather. Mr. Mills announced that the new Jones-Wheat Elementary School should be ready for move in during Fall Break 2014.

D. Transportation: Farrell Lawrence, Transportation Director reported on recognition of the transportation staff at a luncheon held this week. Mr. Lawrence also reported on the preparation of summer school transportation routes for migrant, 21st Century and Pre-K summer school students.

E. Kathy Varner, Federal Programs Director – Absent.

F. Dr. April Aldridge, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Curriculum reported on preparing for CRCT online sign off. Dr. Aldridge also commented on BHS completing AP, EOCT and final exams.

G. Dr. Suzi Bonifay, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum reported on Migrant Summer School to be held for six weeks with a focus on STEM and Writing. The students will be working with GYSTC.

H. Catherine Gossett, Exceptional Education Director reported on preparing for the Summer School Pre-K Program to be held for six weeks.

I. Technology: Steve Dunn, Director reported that the 2014 BHS Baccalaureate and Graduation Ceremonies will be streamed live.
ACTION ITEMS:

1. Recommend approval of Tentative Budget FY14-15 - Superintendent Rayfield presented the Board with a tentative budget for 2014 – 2015. Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to accept the tentative budget. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Randall Jones made a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel with a second by Mr. Winston Rollins. The motion carried and the Board entered executive session. No action was taken. Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to adjourn executive session with a second by Mr. Bobby Barber. The motion carried and the Board adjourned executive session. Dr. Cochran called the meeting back to order.

2. Recommendation of Personnel - Superintendent Rayfield presented the Board with the May 2014 personnel recommendations and resignations on all schools with the exceptions of BMS and BHS. Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to accept the personnel recommendations and resignations. Mr. Bobby Barber made a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Superintendent Rayfield presented the Board with the May 2014 personnel recommendations and resignations on BHS. Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to accept the personnel recommendations and resignations. Mr. Bobby Barber made a second to the motion. Mr. Winston Rollins abstained due to a relative being employed at BHS. The motion carried. Superintendent Rayfield presented the Board with the May 2014 personnel recommendations and resignations on BMS. Mr. Randall Jones made a motion to accept the personnel recommendations and resignations. Mr. Bobby Barber made a second to the motion. Mr. Jacky Grubbs abstained due to a relative being employed at BMS. The motion carried.

Mr. Bobby Barber made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a second to the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned.