Decatur County Board of Education  
August 20, 2015  
Work Session Meeting

The Decatur County Board of Education met for the Work Session Meeting on August 20, 2015, 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, Jr., Mr. Kelvin Bouie, Sr., Mr. Keith Lyle and Mr. Winston Rollins. Absent - Mr. Bobby Barber.

Dr. Cochran called the meeting to order.

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

- 2015 – 2016 Enrollment Update - information provided by Superintendent, Dr. Fred Rayfield and Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Linda B. Lumpkin.
- Financial Update - information provided by Superintendent, Dr. Fred Rayfield and Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Tim Matthews.
- Board Training Plan - information provided by Superintendent, Dr. Fred Rayfield.
- Electronic Board Package Demo - information provided by Superintendent, Dr. Fred Rayfield and Technology Director, Mr. Steve Dunn.
- Executive Session for Property Disposal and Personnel

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

Superintendent Notes:

REMINDEERS:


2). Board Meeting September 17, 2015.

Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Jacky Grubbs gave a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously. 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 August 20, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at the Decatur County Schools Support Center. Members present were: Dr. Sydney Cochran, Chairman, Mr. Jacky Grubbs, Mr. Kelvin Bouie, Sr., Mr. Keith Lyle and Mr. Winston Rollins. Absent - Mr. Bobby Barber.

Dr. Cochran called the meeting to order. Mr. Jacky Grubbs gave the invocation. The inspirational message was provided by John Johnson Elementary School, Teacher, Mrs. Christy Cox, whom introduced John Johnson Elementary student Emma Thompson whom read an introductory note highlighting students and staff members of John Johnson Elementary School as shown in a video.

Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to add an agenda item, CTAE Grant Approval. Mr. Winston Rollins gave a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Winston Rollins made a motion to accept the agenda. Mr. Kelvin Bouie 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:

- None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

I. Administrative Services Report:

A. Financial: Tim Matthews, Chief Financial Officer reported on the FY15 year end results as of June 30, 2015 which was 1% under budget. Mr. Matthews noted that SPLOST receipts were up by $21,000 from the prior year.

B. School Food Service: Mrs. Debbie Purcell, SFS Director, reported that with 8% of the year complete, SFS had expended 2% of their budget. Ms. Purcell noted that student school lunchroom participation was up by 2%.

C. Maintenance: Jerry Mills, Maintenance Director - No report.
D. Transportation: Steve Caulder, Transportation Director – reported that the Transportation Department is off to a good start; although ironing out a few wrinkles. Mr. Caulder was acknowledged for his assistance during the explosion at a local business on Wednesday for re-routing school buses in a timely manner – implementing the Transportation Safety Program.

E. Kathy Varner, Federal Programs Director - reported that schools held Open House (Curriculum Night) last week. Parents were advised to use the Parent Portal for school information as it relates to their child. The System School Improvement Team (SIP) attended a CCRPI Academy at RESA last week.

F. Dr. April Aldridge, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning reported that the summer is over and school is in session for the 2015 – 2016 school term. Dr. Aldridge highlighted the positive celebrations that are being held at the various schools because “It’s All About the Kids” as we begin the 2015-2016 school year.

G. Dr. Suzi Bonifay, Assistant Superintendent for Evaluation - Absent.

H. Catherine Gossett, Exceptional Education Director - reported that the Exceptional Education Department is off to a great start. Approximately 31 students are new enrollees in the Exceptional Education Program.

I. Steve Dunn, Technology Director - reported ERATE wireless projects were 95% complete at Bainbridge High School, the field house and the tennis courts. Mr. Dunn noted that ERATE wireless projects will begin shortly at Bainbridge Middle School as well as John Johnson and West Bainbridge Elementary Schools.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Recommend First Reading of Policy Revisions:
   JGI – Child Abuse or Neglect, JGCD – Medication, JCDAE – Weapons, and JCDAG – Bullying.

2. Recommend First Reading of New/Replacement Policies:
   JGJA – Suicide Prevention and GAD – Professional Development Opportunities.

3. Recommend consideration and approval of Waiver Resolutions:
   Title 20 Class Size Waiver, Minimum direct classroom expenditures waiver, Title 50 Waiver – Two schools same campus and administrator, Title 50 Waiver – One school 49% principal. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a motion to approve the Title 20 Class Size Waiver Resolution, Minimum direct classroom expenditures waiver, Title 50 Waiver – Two schools same campus and administrator and Title 50 Waiver – One school 49% principal. Mr. Winston Rollins gave the second. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Recommend Approval of out of state/overnight Field Trip Request – (No cost to BOE).
   (1) BMS Student Council, State Capitol, Atlanta, Georgia, November 1 - 2, 2015.
   (2) BMS, Universal Studios, Orlando, Florida, April 28 – May 1, 2016.
   (3) HMS, New York City, New York, May 1 – May 6, 2016.

   Mr. Winston Rollins made a motion to approve out of state/overnight Field Trip Request, with a second by Dr. Cochran. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Recommend Approval of CTAE Local Plan for FY16. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a motion to approve the CTAE Local Plan for FY16. Mr. Jacky Grubbs gave the second. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Recommendation of Personnel - Superintendent Rayfield presented the Board with the August 2015 personnel recommendations and resignations. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a motion to accept the personnel recommendations and resignations. Mr. Winston Rollins made a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

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