Decatur County Board of Education
December 14, 2017

NO WORK SESSION

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J. Sydney Cochran, Board Chairman  Tim Cochran, School Superintendent
The Decatur County Board of Education met for its regular monthly meeting on December 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Decatur County Schools Support Center. Members present were: Dr. Sydney Cochran, Chairman, Mr. Jacky Grubbs, Mr. Keith Lyle, Mr. Bobby Barber, Mr. Winston Rollins, and Mr. Kelvin Bouie, Sr.

Dr. Cochran called the meeting to order. Mr. Jacky Grubbs gave the invocation. The monthly inspiration was presented by Bainbridge High School. Mrs. Leigh Powell introduced the BHS ACAPELLA CHORUS and the group performed two selections.

Mr. Bouie made a motion to accept the agenda. Mr. Grubbs gave a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:
None

SPECIAL RECOGNITION and PRESENTATIONS: None

SUPERINTENDENT COCHRAN’S REPORT

- 2nd Semester Breakfast Schedule
- Monday, December 18th – Christmas Dinner at home of Superintendent Cochran (Board Members, Spouses, and Press) @ 6:30 PM
- Board Training Meeting on Monday, February 12, 2018.
- Facility Update-addressed consolidation of board offices, transportation department plans, and the Food Warehouse storage.

Miscellaneous items:
- The AdvancED official report was presented by Superintendent Cochran

INFORMATION ITEMS:

I. Administrative Services Report:

A. Financial: Mr. Matthews noted that SPLOST receipts were down this month; however, the receipts were up by $100,000 compared to this same period in December 2016-17. Operating at 3% under budget.
B. School Food Service: Mrs. Debbie Purcell, SFS Director – reported being at 36% of the budget year. She thanked the Post Searchlight for the great coverage of the Body Walks and Nutrition Nooks held at several of the elementary schools.

C. Federal Program Director, Mrs. Kathy Varner, reported November and December entailed Short-Term Action Plan Reviews. The leadership teams discussed goals, challenges, and adjustments to School Improvement Plans based upon the data. BHS was in the process of completing EOCTs.

D. Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. April Aldridge, reported the AdvancED official document was very encouraging for the district. She expressed gratitude to the board members, leaders within the schools, district-level personnel, and all members of the Decatur County Team. Instructional Rounds have taken place at all schools. Schools have been focusing upon rigor, writing across the curriculum, professional learning, and the cognitive demand of the tasks.

E. Technology Director, Steve Dunn, informed the board the E-Rate subscription will expire at the end of the year. New request has been submitted for future E-Rate funding. Goal is to expand internet access for teachers and students.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Approval of Bus Claim – Motion was made by Mr. Barber and Mr. Bouie made a second to the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.

2. Approval of out-of-state field trips–Motion was made by Mr. Bouie to approve field trip packet. Mr. Grubbs provided a second to the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.

3. Approval of 2018 Board Meeting Calendar - Motion was made by Mr. Barber to approve the calendar. Mr. Bouie provided a second to the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.

4. Approval of School Nutrition Program Procurement Plan- Motion was made by Mr. Rollins to approve the SNP Procurement Plan. Mr. Bouie provided a second to the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.

5. Approval of Superintendent’s Contract-Motion was made by Mr. Bouie to approve the Superintendent’s contract. Mr. Rollins provided a second to the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.
6. Approval of Personnel Recommendations-Motion was made by Mr. Bouie to approve personnel recommendations. Mr. Rollins provided a second to the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.

Motion to adjourn board meeting was given by Mr. Barber and the second was given by Mr. Grubbs. Motion was unanimous. December 14, 2017 Board Meeting was adjourned with pledge to the flag.

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