

MINUTES OF THE THOMAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN WORKSHOP SESSION,
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: David Dawson, Charles Evans, Derwood Hickey, Nancy Hiers, Scott Morgan, Mark NeSmith, and Kay Streets.

2. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Streets made a motion, with a second by Mr. Hickey, to approve the consent agenda (attachment A), which included agenda; fundraising activities; and strategic planning public forum, March 19, 6:00-9:00 PM, TCCHS cafeteria. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Al Bryan addressed the board as a concerned taxpayer from the Meigs district. He expressed concerns about improving the graduation rate, achievement gaps between subgroups, and CRCT scores and stated that objectives should be made for improvement in the education program. He said that education should be the most important thing, not sports, and the board should commit, along with requested support from the community, to make the school system better academically.

4. POLICY REVISION: FIRST PRESENTATION OF POLICY SECTION I REVISIONS

Mr. Lee Bailey, assistant superintendent, presented revisions to policy section I.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT POLICY SECTION G REVISIONS

Mr. NeSmith moved, with a second by Ms. Hiers, to approve the resolution (attachment B) to accept revised policies for section G. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

6. BUDGET DISCUSSION

A. FY2013 amended budget – Dr. Kornegay told the board that revenue numbers in the amended budget are very preliminary because the official mid-term budget allocation from the state has not been received. He stated that current estimates are based on a spread sheet developed by a consultant who works with many school systems to estimate what our earning should be based on the October FTE count. Mr. Joey Holland, finance director, explained the FY13 amended budget for the general fund. He said approval of the FY2013 amended budget would be requested after more concrete numbers on revenue are received.

B. FTE history and personnel projections for FY2014 – Dr. Kornegay called the board's attention to the FTE history and said there was a net gain of 20 for FTE 2012, and the system is projecting a net gain of 118 for FY2013.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL

Mr. Evans made a motion, with a second by Ms. Hiers, for the board to go into executive session (attachment C) to discuss personnel. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Ms. Streets, to end the executive session. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

8. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL REPORT

Ms. Hiers moved, with a second by Mr. NeSmith, to approve the personnel report (attachment C). The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

9. APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE RENEWALS

Mr. NeSmith made a motion, with a second by Mr. Dawson, to approve administrative staff (attachment D) for 2013-2014. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Ms. Hiers, to adjourn. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Chairman

Secretary