

Thomas County Board of Education
Minutes
March 8, 2016, 7:00 PM
Boardroom

Attendees - voting members

Mr. Mark NeSmith	Chair
Ms. Nancy Hiers	Vice Chair
Mr. David Dawson	Board Member
Mr. Charles Evans	Board Member
Mr. Scott Morgan	Board Member
Mrs. Kay P. Streets	Board Member

Attendees - other

Dr. George H. Kornegay	Superintendent
Mrs. Carol Gerald	Administrative Assistant
Mr. Joey Holland	Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations

- I. Call to Order
Chairman NeSmith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- II. Devotional - Stewart Braswell, teacher at Thomas County Upper Elementary School

- III. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - A. Agenda
 - B. Minutes: February 9 and February 23
 - C. Bishop Hall board minutes: January 21
 - D. Upcoming meetings: Whole Board Training March 22 and regular meeting April 12
 - E. Fundraising requests
 - F. Out-of-district students
 - G. Resolutions for outstanding students and ESPLOST leaders

Motion made by: Mr. Scott Morgan

Motion seconded by: Mr. David Dawson

Voting: Unanimously Approved

- IV. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Recognition of Darrell Allen, Allen Corbin, and ESPLOST committee
Darrell Allen, chairman, and Allen Corbin, treasurer, of the ESPLOST Committee were recognized and presented a token of appreciation for their hard work and dedication in getting the ESPLOST passed.
 - B. Recognition of outstanding students
 - C. Drafts of March 22 Whole Board Training agenda and April 12 agenda
 - D. Whole Board Training, March 22, 6:00-9:00 p.m. in PLC (with dinner)
 - E. ESPLOST results and tentative bond timeline
Dr. Kornegay called the board's attention to the ESPLOST results and the tentative bond timeline. He said the board would have to have a required called meeting on April 26 at 7:15 a.m. to approve the bond purchase agreement and the county commission would ratify it at their evening meeting that same day.

- F. Audit reports
 - Dr. Kornegay informed board members that they were no findings on the State Department audit or the ESPLOST audit. He said he appreciated the great job that Mr. Holland and his department do.
 - G. Report on athletic trainer proposals - Sam Holland
 - H. Present FTE history and projection for FY 2017
 - I. Financial Report - Joey Holland
- V. New Business
- A. Approval of delegate and alternate for GSBA Delegate Assembly
 - A motion was made for Charles Evans to serve as delegate and Mark NeSmith to serve as alternate for the Georgia School Boards Association Delegate Assembly in Savannah in June.
 - Motion made by: Ms. Nancy Hiers
 - Motion seconded by: Mrs. Kay P. Streets
 - Voting: Unanimously Approved
 - B. Approval of inclement weather day resolution
 - Dr. Kornegay stated that the inclement weather day, February 24, would be counted as a holiday for students but employees would be required to make the day up, take personal leave or take leave without pay.
 - Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans
 - Motion seconded by: Mr. David Dawson
 - Voting: Unanimously Approved
 - C. Resolution certifying election results for bond purposes
 - Motion made by: Mr. Scott Morgan
 - Motion seconded by: Mr. Charles Evans
 - Voting: Unanimously Approved
 - D. Approval of recommendation for athletic trainer agreement
 - Motion made by: Mr. David Dawson
 - Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Hiers
 - Voting:
 - Mr. Mark NeSmith - Yes
 - Ms. Nancy Hiers - Yes
 - Mr. David Dawson - Yes
 - Mr. Charles Evans - Yes
 - Mr. Scott Morgan - Yes
 - Mrs. Kay P. Streets - No
 - E. Approval of Student Tobacco Use Policy (JCDAAs)
 - Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans
 - Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Hiers
 - Voting: Unanimously Approved
 - F. Executive session
 - Motion made by: Mrs. Kay P. Streets
 - Motion seconded by: Mr. Charles Evans
 - Voting: Unanimously Approved
 - G. End executive session
 - Motion made by: Mr. Scott Morgan
 - Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Hiers
 - Voting: Unanimously Approved
 - H. Approval of personnel report including FY17 renewals

1. Approval of renewal rosters for all schools and the central office.
A motion was made to approve the personnel report and all FY17 renewals in the system with the exception of board members' relatives.

Motion made by: Mrs. Kay P. Streets

Motion seconded by: Mr. Charles Evans

Voting: Unanimously Approved

2. Renewal of Laurie Dawson as technology specialist for Garrison-Pilcher and Cross Creek; Mr. Dawson shall abstain.

Motion made by: Mrs. Kay P. Streets

Motion seconded by: Mr. Scott Morgan

Voting

Mr. Mark NeSmith - Yes

Ms. Nancy Hiers - Yes

Mr. David Dawson - Abstain

Mr. Charles Evans - Yes

Mr. Scott Morgan - Yes

Mrs. Kay P. Streets - Yes

3. Renewal of Sharon Hickey as teacher at Thomas County Middle School; Mr. Hickey shall abstain.

Motion made by: Ms. Nancy Hiers

Motion seconded by: Mr. Scott Morgan

Voting: Unanimously Approved

4. Renewal of Alison NeSmith as teacher at Cross Creek; Mr. NeSmith shall abstain.

Motion made by: Mr. Scott Morgan

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Kay P. Streets

Voting

Mr. Mark NeSmith - Abstain

Ms. Nancy Hiers - Yes

Mr. David Dawson - Yes

Mr. Charles Evans - Yes

Mr. Scott Morgan - Yes

Mrs. Kay P. Streets - Yes

VI. Adjournment

Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans

Motion seconded by: Mr. David Dawson

Voting: Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary