

Thomas County Board of Education
Minutes
March 14, 2017, 7:00 PM

Attendees - voting members

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| Ms. Nancy Hiers | Chair |
| Mr. Derwood Hickey | Vice Chair |
| Mr. David Dawson | Board Member |
| Mr. Charles Evans | Board Member |
| Mr. Mark NeSmith | Board Member |
| Mr. Dan Stewart | Board Member |
| Mrs. Kay P. Streets | Board Member |

Attendees - other

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| Dr. George H. Kornegay | Superintendent |
| Mrs. Melanie Chavaux | Associate Superintendent |
| Mrs. Carol Gerald | Administrative Assistant |
| Mrs. Lisa Williams | Associate Superintendent |

I. Call to Order

II. Devotional - Morgan Taylor, 3rd grade teacher at Cross Creek School

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

- A. Agenda
- B. Minutes: February 14
- C. Bishop Hall board minutes: January 19
- D. Upcoming meetings: whole board training on March 28; regular meeting on April 11, 2017
- E. Fundraising requests
- F. Out-of-district students
- G. Resolutions for outstanding students

Motion made by: Mr. Derwood Hickey

Motion seconded by: Mr. Charles Evans

Voting: Unanimously Approved

IV. Superintendent's Report

- a. School Board Appreciation Week: March 13-17
- b. Recognition of outstanding students - see attachment
- c. Drafts of March 28 whole board training and April 11 regular meeting, agendas
- d. Completion of FY 2016 Audit

Dr. Kornegay informed the board that the FY2016 audit had been completed and there were no findings. He said there were two management comments by the auditors. (1) Some of the departments do not have as much separation of the accounting function as the auditors would like to see. (2) The fund balance at the end of FY2016 was at 16.1%, and according to state law and board policy, it should be no more than 15%. He commended Mr. Holland and his department for the excellent job.

- e. Update on local facility plan and modernization project at Garrison Pilcher
Dr. Kornegay announced that Garrison-Pilcher, based on the state's five year facility plan, is eligible for the modernization program. He said the building built in 1969 would be completely overhauled and the state would provide 4.29 million dollars toward the project. The local match for the school system is 1.6 million

- dollars. Dr. Kornegay said an extensive amount of work could be done with that amount of money.
- f. Present FTE history and projection for FY2018
Dr. Kornegay said the school system has had several years of growth, but this past year was not as great as it was the year before but is still positive. He said the expectation is a net gain in next year's budget of almost 2.9 million dollars based on initial QBE estimates.
 - g. School-based health clinic - Lisa Williams
Lisa Williams gave board members information on school based health clinics that help students and staff with wellness checks, immunizations, sports physicals, and illnesses. She said it would cut down on the amount of absences for sick students because they could get labs services and the medication needed for them to get well quicker. She said the school system would provide space for the clinic and would partner with Primary Health Care of SW GA and Archbold. She said Primary Care and Archbold would provide staffing and do the billing, which could be Medicaid, Peachcare, private insurance and patient billing based on a sliding scale. Dr. Kornegay said he would like to survey parents and teachers to see if they would use the clinic. There were no objections from the board about sending surveys.
 - h. Financial report - see attachment

V. New Business

- a. Approval of delegate and alternate for GSBA Delegate Assembly
A motion was made for Mr. Evans to serve as delegate and Mr. Stewart to serve as alternate at the Georgia School Boards Delegate Assembly in June.
Motion made by: Mrs. Kay P. Streets
Motion seconded by: Mr. Derwood Hickey
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- b. Budget resolution to fund salaries of employees being offered contracts
Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans
Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- c. Resolution to certify completion of HVAC and lighting project at Cross Creek
Motion made by: Mrs. Kay P. Streets
Motion seconded by: Mr. Charles Evans
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- d. Bid on HVAC system for finance building at BOE
Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans
Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- e. Bid on canopy system for Hand-In-Hand
Motion made by: Mr. David Dawson
Motion seconded by: Mr. Derwood Hickey
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- f. Bid on stadium scoreboard/video board
Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans
Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- g. Bid on erosion control, sod, irrigation and landscaping at BOE campus
Motion made by: Mr. Derwood Hickey
Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- h. Approval of personnel report including FY18 renewals
 - 1. Approval of renewal rosters for all schools and the central office staff
Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans

Motion seconded by: Mr. Mark NeSmith

Voting: Unanimously Approved

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

Motion made by: Mr. Derwood Hickey

Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart

Voting: Ms. Nancy Hiers - Yes

Mr. Derwood Hickey - Yes

Mr. David Dawson - Abstain

Mr. Charles Evans - Yes

Mr. Mark NeSmith - Yes

Mr. Dan Stewart - Yes

Mrs. Kay P. Streets - Yes

3. Renewal of Allison NeSmith as teacher at Cross Creek; Mr. NeSmith shall abstain

Motion made by: Mrs. Kay P. Streets

Motion seconded by: Mr. Derwood Hickey

Voting: Ms. Nancy Hiers - Yes

Mr. Derwood Hickey - Yes

Mr. David Dawson - Yes

Mr. Charles Evans - Yes

Mr. Mark NeSmith - Abstain

Mr. Dan Stewart - Yes

Mrs. Kay P. Streets - Yes

VI. Adjournment

Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans

Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart

Voting: Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary