

Minutes of the Cherokee County Board of Education Meeting held July 14, 2016 beginning at 6 pm at Central Office

Board Members Present Ms. Wanda Arrowood, Chair, Mr. Paul Brown, Vice Chair, Ms. Debbie Hogan, Scribe, Mr. Randy Barnett, and Mr. George Postell

Board Member Absent: Mr. Winfield Clonts and Mr. Tim Coffey

1. <u>Call to Order</u>. Ms. Wanda Arrowood called the Cherokee County Board of Education meeting to order.

- 2. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>. Mr. George Postell led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. <u>Mission Statement</u>. Mr. Paul Brown read the mission statement.
- 4. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>. The agenda was approved.

5. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>. The minutes from the June 30, 2016 regular board meeting were approved.

6. <u>Public Input</u>. Ms. Arrowood called for public comment and recognized Mr. Gary Chamberlain who wished to address the Board regarding schools involvement in "Keep Cherokee County Litter Free" coalition. He stated he would like to see the schools involved in 4 campus beautification events a year and 1 poster contest per year.

7. <u>Financial Planning Subcommittee Update</u>. Mr. Randy Barnett and Mr. John Higdon delivered items covered during the Financial Planning Subcommittee meeting held July 7, 2016. Those items delivered are:

- a) Upgrades of MHS HVAC control systems
 - 1) This item was approved and contract awarded to Harris Sales.
 - i. Cost: \$66,590
- b) Track Resurfacing at AHS and MHS
 - 1) These items were approved and contracts awarded to All American Tracks Corp.
 - i. Cost for AHS: \$75,000
 - ii. Cost for MHS: \$77,000
- c) Chiller repair/replacement at MMS
 - 1) Replacement of the chiller was approved and contract awarded to Dalton HVAC.
 - i. Cost for replacement chiller: \$58,747
- d) Replacement of boiler line at AES
 - 1) This item was approved and contract awarded to Petroleum Specialties.
 - i. Cost: \$22,150

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- e) Breezeway roof repair at HDS
 - 1) This item was approved and contract awarded to Cox Roofing.
 - i. Cost: \$12,000
- f) Bleacher Repair
 - 1) This item was approved for HDS, AMS, and MMS and contracts awarded to Seating Safety Solutions.
 - i. Cost for HDS: \$6,457
 - ii. Cost for AMS: \$2,976
 - iii. Cost for MMS: \$3,801
- g) Camera Installation on new yellow school buses (3 buses)
 - 1) This item was approved and AngelTrac was the vendor selected from which to purchase the required cameras.
 - i. Cost: \$6,875

Upon conclusion of the update, Mr. Barnett requested the Board approve an application for usage of ¹/₂ Cent Sales Tax to fund the facilities items presented.

Motion made (Mr. Randy Barnett) and seconded (Ms. Debbie Hogan) to approve usage of $\frac{1}{2}$ cent sales tax in the amount of \$331,596 on the facility needs items as presented. Voting is unanimous.

8. <u>Budget</u>. Ms. Stephanie Hass was recognized and informed the Board that the usage of ¹/₂ Cent Sales Tax as approved would appear as budget amendment number 1 upon receipt of the school budget.

9. <u>Policy Review</u>. Ms. Debbie Hogan presented several policies for first and second reading. The following policies were heard for second reading and were approved: 4303 Fair and Consistent Discipline Administration (New Policy), 5030 Community use of Facilities, 5071/7351 Electronically Stored Information Retention, 6305 Safety and Student Transportation Services, 7335 Employee use of Social Media, and 7920 Reduction in Force: Teachers and School Administrators.

Motion made (Ms. Debbie Hogan) and seconded (Mr. Randy Barnett) to approve the policies presented for second reading. Voting is unanimous.

Following the approval of the above policies, Ms. Hogan announced that policy 4206 Student Driving Privileges would be tabled.

After presenting the policies for second reading, Ms. Hogan reported policies for first reading. Those policies presented being: 1010 Board Authority and Duties, 1100 Governing Principles, 1200 Governing Principle—Student Success, 3620 Extracurricular Activities and Student Organizations, 4400 Attendance, 9010 Site Selection, and 9020 Facility Design.

10. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>. Ms. Jeana Conley delivered her Superintendent's report to the Board. She began by announcing that sales of "A 90 Year Historical Journey of the Cherokee County Board of Education" were doing well. Next she congratulated the Technology Department on receiving E-rate funding in Wave 1 from USAC.

11. <u>Adjourn for Break and Closed Session</u>. Ms. Debbie Hogan read the motion to adjourn to closed session.

Motion made (Ms. Debbie Hogan) and seconded (Mr. Randy Barnett) for the Board of Education to adjourn to break and closed session pursuant to the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3) and 143-318.11(c), for the following purposes: Under subsection (a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged or confidential personnel information pursuant to G.S. §115C-319-321, and under subsection (a)(3) to discuss matters protected by the attorney-client privilege, and under subsection (a)(5) to discuss the terms of a contract for employment, and under subsection (a)(6) to hear a complaint or grievance, by or against an employee. Voting is unanimous.

12. <u>Return to open session & Closed Session Decisions</u>. Ms. Wanda Arrowood called the meeting to order and returned to open session.

Motion made (Ms. Debbie Hogan) and seconded (Mr. Paul Brown) to return to open session. Voting is unanimous.

After returning to open session, the Board took the following actions based on closed session discussion: The Board approved the following hiring recommendations on this date for the positions, schools, type of employment, and effective dates listed below with the understanding that their hiring is based on a clear criminal records check, proper credentials, and adequate position funding:

(a) The Board approved	I the following hiring recommendations:	
Name	Position	Effective
Angela Finnegan	EC Teacher, AMS	08/22/2016
Georgie Kerber	Teacher, AHS	08/22/2016
Whitney King	Teacher, AHS	08/22/2016
Jennifer Hogsed	CTE Teacher, HDHS	08/22/2016

Motion made (Ms. Debbie Hogan) and seconded (Mr. Randy Barnett) to approve the hiring recommendations as presented by the Superintendent. Voting is unanimous.

(b) The Superintendent announced the following transfers:				
Name	From	То	Date	
Shehnaaz Adam	PES, TA	MES, TA EC	07/14/2016	
Aerian Rayburn	MES, TA EC	PES, TA	07/14/2016	
Julie Higdon	District	AMS, Principal	07/14/2016	

(c) The Board approved the following helping hands volunteers:

	Application
School	Renewal Date
MHS	07/14/2017
	MHS MHS MHS

Motion made (Ms. Debbie Hogan) and seconded (Mr. Paul Brown) to approve the helping hands volunteers as presented by the Superintendent. Voting is unanimous.

13. <u>Announcement of the next Board of Education Meeting</u>. Ms. Arrowood announced the next regular meetings of the Cherokee County Board of Education will be held at Central Office on Thursday, August 4, 2016 beginning at 6 pm.

14. <u>Adjournment</u>. There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm. *Motion made (Ms. Debbie Hogan) and seconded (Mr. Randy Barnett) to adjourn the meeting. Voting is unanimous.*

Jeana Y. Conley, Secretary

Wanda Arrowood, Board Chair