

# Board Bullets

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## Highlights of the Cherokee County Board of Education Meeting

August 12, 2010, Central Office

Thank you to those Principals and Administrators attending: Cindy Bean, Tom Graham, Arnold Mathews, Delaine MacDonald, Barry McClure, Andy Pyle, Boyd Shields, Bill Gaither, Kim Gibson, Paul Wilson, Jodi Alverson, Jamie Barnett, Terelle Beaver, Jeana Hardin, Karen Kephart, Carol Sims, Gary Wright, Kenny Garland, Sherry Henry, and Libby Thigpen.

- Mr. Barnett called the meeting to order welcoming all those attending. Mr. Kenny Garland gave the invocation. Ms. Wanda Arrowood led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dr. David Ackerman read the Mission Statement.
- The agenda and minutes were approved as presented.
- The Board Chairman recognized Mr. Lee Guthrie of the Hiwassee Dam area and allowed him to present questions to the Board. The Board promised to provide answers to Mr. Guthrie's questions within 30-days as required by North Carolina General Statute.
- Mr. Mike Cox of Architect Design Studio presented a contract to the Board for consideration, and provided an overview of the Andrews High School project.
- Mr. Kevin Cassell of SNRY Power appeared before the Board with a proposal for solar arrays to be installed at Ranger and Hiwassee Dam schools. Additionally, he presented the board with a detailed cost analysis and projected dividends to the School System.
- Ms. Jeana Hardin appeared before the Board via Video Conference and proposed a Technology Plan Design amendment for consideration and approval. The Board approved the plan as submitted.
- Ms. Terelle Beaver provided the Board with several Budget amendments to include an application to use Lottery Funds. After careful consideration, the Board approved all amendments and the Lottery Fund application as presented.
- Ms. Sherry Henry presented the board with the Cherokee County Schools testing update. The Board was very pleased with the results of this year's testing and commended all those responsible.
- The Board approved several policies at second reading: 3450 – Academic Policy for Honor Students/Class Rankings; and 4600 – Student Fees. One was heard for the first reading: 6226 – Charge Policy.
- Dr. Stephen Lane, Superintendent, proposed a North Carolina Virtual Public Schools Resolution to the Board. The Board approved the resolution.
- At this time, the Board adjourned to closed session. After returning to open session the Board took the following action(s):

- The following leave of absence was approved:

Maternity Leave for Ms. Courtney A. Allen effective September 20, 2010 and ending January 3, 2011.

- The following resignations were approved:

Mr. Rory J. Byers, On-Line Facilitator, Murphy High School, effective September 1, 2010

Ms. Natalie Manget, Art Teacher, Murphy High School, effective August 12, 2010  
 Mr. Richard Hincke, Math Teacher, Tri-County Early College, effective August 12, 2010.

- The Board approved hiring of the following personnel:

|                |                                      |       |                |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|-------|----------------|
| Misty Messer   | 60 day probationary Cafeteria Worker | AES   | 18 August 2010 |
| Chasity Davis  | 60 day probationary Cafeteria Worker | HDS   | 18 August 2010 |
| Tammy Rhodes   | 60 day probationary Cafeteria Worker | MCEMS | 18 August 2010 |
| Debra Qualls   | 60 day probationary Cafeteria Worker | MHS   | 18 August 2010 |
| Oneta Sherlin  | 60 day probationary Cafeteria Worker | MMES  | 18 August 2010 |
| Jennifer Cable | Interim Assistant Principal          | MHS   | 12 August 2010 |
| Randy Mann     | Assistant Principal                  | AHS   | 12 August 2010 |
| Kendra Shaffer | History Teacher                      | MHS   | 12 August 2010 |
| Ruby Cutshaw   | Math Teacher                         | AHS   | 12 August 2010 |
| Cicely Mason   | Art Teacher                          | MHS   | 12 August 2010 |

- The Board approved hiring the following as Interim Employees:

|                   |                           |           |                |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Phyllis LeMasters | Speech                    | MCS/PTEMS | 12 August 2010 |
| Phyllis Blalock   | Kindergarten              | AES       | 12 August 2010 |
| Savannah Clayton  | Elementary                | PTEMS     | 12 August 2010 |
| Megan Swanson     | Language Arts             | MMS       | 12 August 2010 |
| Scott Jones       | Middle School (Part-Time) | Ranger    | 12 August 2010 |

- The Board approved hiring of the following Substitute Teachers effective 12 August 2010:

| <u>Name</u>           | <u>Name</u>          |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Doris H. Carringer    | Kayla L. Lopp        |
| Sandra Solesbee       | Kimberly G. Holloway |
| Betty Jean Jones      | Kayla D. Coker       |
| Colleen K. Coker      | Robert L. Seibert    |
| Samantha D. Dougherty | Cynthia K. Coleman   |
| Harry J. Holliday     |                      |

- The Board approved hiring of the following Bus Drivers effective 12 August 2010:

Name  
 Victor Smith  
 Betty Jean Jones  
 Robert Seibert

- Dr. Lane announces the following transfers:

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>From</u>                     | <u>To</u>                                |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Scotty Plappert | Hiwassee Dam Schools Media      | Hiwassee Dam Middle School               |
| Frances Durham  | Murphy Middle School            | Hiwassee Dam Schools Media               |
| Adam Clonts     | Marble                          | Murphy Elementary School                 |
| Greg Swain      | Hiwassee Dam Middle School      | Murphy Middle School                     |
| Jenny Sickle    | Murphy Middle School            | Hiwassee Dam High School                 |
| Terri Gribble   | Literacy Coach                  | Marble Remediation                       |
| Lisa May        | Murphy Elementary School        | Andrews Elementary School                |
| Jenny McMahan   | Part-time at Marble             | Part-time at Andrews Elementary          |
| Lori Revis      | Nurse Andrews Elementary School | Part-time TA AES; Part-time Nurse at AES |
| Kim Morrow      | Andrews High School (Math)      | Tri-County Early College (Math)          |

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|---------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| Leslie Harris       |             | Part-time TATU(A); Part-time Nurse |
| Jenny Irwin         |             | DFC Grant Director                 |
| Revonda Palmer      | HD/MC CTE   | MMS/MC CTE                         |
| Julie Hughes        | MYS/MC CTE  | Ranger/HD CTE                      |
| Debbie Ledford (TA) | MCS         | MHS (Online Facilitator)           |
| Judith Wilson       | SS/HS Grant | Martins Creek (TA)                 |
| Chad Brooks         | Ranger      | Martins Creek                      |

- The Board approved the following volunteers:

|                       |                         |                               |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Laura Satterfield     | Volleyball              | Hiwassee Dam/Ranger Schools   |
| Angie Davis           | Volleyball              | Hiwassee Dam Schools          |
| Megan Swanson         | Volleyball & Basketball | Murphy High School            |
| Jason Bryson          | Basketball              | Ranger & Hiwassee Dam Schools |
| Elizabeth A. Garrison | Sports                  | Andrews High School           |
| Brittany N. Howerton  | Cheerleading            | Andrews High School           |
| James M. Jallah, Jr.  | Soccer                  | Andrews High School           |
| Sandra Solesbee       | Volleyball              | Andrews Schools               |
| Judy A. Nichols       | Volleyball/Softball     | Andrews High School           |
| Gary R. Thompson      | Football & Basketball   | Murphy High School            |
| John L. Welborn       | Soccer                  | Murphy High School            |
| John W. Holland       | Football                | Andrews High School           |
| Kevin Williams        | Football                | Murphy High School            |
| Tiffany Carson        | Volleyball              | Murphy Middle School          |
| Bradley Beckner       | Basketball              | Hiwassee Dam/Ranger Schools   |
| Chris E. Wood         | Basketball              | Hiwassee Dam/Ranger Schools   |
| Kim Brownlee          | Soccer                  | Murphy Middle or High School  |
| Phillip C. Close      | Soccer                  | Murphy High School            |
| Roger L. Williams     | Football/Wrestling      | Murphy High/Middle Schools    |
| Danny R. Coleman      | Football                | Murphy High School            |
| James Jallah          | Soccer Coach            | Andrews High School           |

- The Board approved the contract presented by Architect Design Studios for the renovations to Andrews High School subject to the proposed legal amendment as presented to the Board by the Board Attorney.

The next meeting of the Cherokee County Board of Education will be held at Martins Creek School, on September 9, 2010 at 6:00 PM. There will be a Special Called meeting of the Board to address the proposed Solar Array Project at Hiwassee Dam and Ranger Schools on August 20, 2010 at 12:00 PM.

- There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM.