

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOL

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News Release: December 15, 2015; Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

## **EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION**

DECEMBER 15, 2015

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Board President John Walker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the East Carter County R-II Elementary Cafeteria. The following board members were present: John Walker, Rick Saffle, Curtis Crowley, Tracy Crowley, Mark Hampton and David Kearbey. Board Member Glenn Crook was not in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Richard Sullivan, High School Principal Veronica Hollis, Middle School Principal Theresa Kearbey, Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick, Special Services Director Danielle Sullivan, Board Secretary Kathey Dalton, staff members Jamie Stinson, Janet Hampton, Bill Lewis, Kendra Asher and Pauletta Walker. Suzie Fann, Sally Stahl and Randy Small were also present.

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was down \$1336.90 from last year. The Building Trades class is completing a sidewalk and storm water drain on a section of the bus chute that will be a nice addition to the campus. The Elementary Christmas Program was well attended and a great success.

### **Minutes/Bills**

The Board approved the November 19, 2015 regular Board meeting minutes. The bills were approved for payment as presented.

### **New Business**

Sealed bids were opened from Turn-Key Contractors, LLC for the Awning Projects. No other bids were received. There were no bids for Awning project #1. The bid for Awning Project #2, which would cover the stairs from the loading dock to the elementary gym was approved by the board at the cost of \$9,870.00. The bid for Awning project #3, which would cover area between music room and the elementary gym was approved by the board at the cost of \$29,680.00. Sealed bids for custodial Services were opened from East Carter Custodial Services. No other bids were received. Board approved the bid for Custodial services from East Carter Custodial Services in the amount of \$170,400.00 per year, with a

1 year contract starting January 1, 2016 thru December 31, 2016. Sealed bids were opened for District Vending from American Customer Service Company. The vending bid from Coke was not opened due to receiving after deadline. Board voted to reject all vending bids. Sealed proposal for Transportation were opened from RSB Leasing. No other proposals were received. Transportation proposals were tabled until next month's board meeting.

Mrs. Asher talked about her new role as Jr. Beta Sponsor and how excited she is about taking over with the help of Ms. Colleen Huggins. 6<sup>th</sup> grade has been added to the Jr. Beta program this year. Jr Beta Club earned the Key Club Award and a Recognition plaque for commitment to academic excellence and illustrates dedication to preparing students for college and career readiness. We have 76 members in Jr. Beta this year with 74 attending state convention. 50 students competed in group talent and received 3<sup>rd</sup> place out of 7 groups. Students designed the Jr. Beta Club T-shirts. Betsy Scott received 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the craft division with her quilting project. The group competed in the Living Literature competition with a Harry Potter theme.

Gifted Program Evaluation, Homeless Program Evaluation, Migrant Program Evaluation and Safety & Emergency Preparedness Program Evaluations were all approved. The Vocational Grant and DESE Food Service Grant were discussed. FFA program was discussed and tabled until next month's board meeting. Elementary Curriculum was discussed. Mrs. Kendrick spoke about using an acuity program this year which mirrors map testing. The acuity tests are designed to test students and assign lessons according to the test, mirroring questions in daily lessons. The Board voted to have Dr. Sullivan contact and get bids for an architect. The Transfer of funds from Fund 1 to 4 in the amount of \$923.34 was approved. A resignation was accepted from Kim Owen as elementary cheer coach.. Obsolete computer items were approved to be sold. The January Board Meeting was set for January 21, 2015. Policy P2115 was approved by the Board. The 2014-15 District Audit was approved.

Mrs. Stinson thanked the Administration for all the gifts. She said it really made the staff feel valued. She gave the Board members a card and an ink pen and wished them all a Happy Holiday. She volunteered to help the board if need, such as supporting a bond issue. Mrs. Kearbey reported that the Masonic Lodge donated \$1,400.00 which is up from last year's \$800.00. The money is to be used for specific needs in the nurse's office for hygiene, etc. Mrs. Hollis reported that the scholastic book fair was a success, reaching their goal on Friday. Money raised will be used in the purchase of new books. Mrs. Hollis is currently working on a grant from Walmart. She also reported the High School canned food drive brought in 1400 food items and thanked the Current Local for their support and in notifying the public. Mrs. Kendrick met with Piedmont Walmart and received twenty- \$50.00 gift cards for teachers. \$100.00 was given to each building from the Reading Plus Program for student incentives.

The Board President stated the Board would now recess to executive session in accordance with Public Law, Section 610.021: Items 1,3,13 and 14 for closed session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Executive session meeting was called to order by Board President, John Walker at 9:18 p.m. The agenda presented was approved by the Board and the November 19<sup>th</sup> Board Executive Session minutes were approved.

Substitute teachers applicants Deral Marshall and Sarah Raymer were approved. Benjamin Beecher was hired as a full time bus mechanic with 13 years experience at a rate of 15.39 per hour effective as of January 1, 2016. No action taken on Route Bus Driver. Pride Wilder was hired as a Certified Music Teacher as of January 1, 2016 to finish out the 2015-16 school year on step 1 of the Teachers Salary Schedule. Pride Wilder was approved to receive a Music Program stipend in the amount of \$800.00. Superintendent Evaluation Forms were distributed. Motion by Curtis Crowley, seconded by Tracy Crowley to adjourn executive session. Vote 6-0-0; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.