Board Meeting Summary

November 11, 2019

The Trion Board of Education met in the regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 11, 2019. Present for the meeting were Dr. Phil Williams, Board Chair Randy Henderson, Vice Chair Kari Brown, Members Johnny Brimer, Jeff Maddux, and Darriel Broome.  Also in attendance were Kelly Wilson, Annette Keith, Jason Lanham, Gene Espy, Dwight Hardin, and Mandy Taylor.

**New Business:**

* The board received and approved the SPLOST and General Fund Obligation Bonds financial reports.
* The system financial reports and the schools quarterly reports were submitted and approved by the board members.
* The board reviewed and approved the federal program budgets for the Title programs and the Special Education programs.
* The 2020 Board of Education meeting dates were reviewed and approved by the board.

**Other Business:**

The board received the Bulldog Athletic Club and Band Booster financial reports as information items.  The BAC reports $ 81,319.04 as the closing balance. The band booster club reports a balance of $ 6,761.99 with $2,827.80 in savings.

Student Enrollment report was submitted as an information item.  As of November 7, 2019, student population is reported at 1,376 with breakdown as follows:  TES - 686; TMS - 317; THS – 373.

Dr. Williams discussed the March 2020 election and the need to continue the ESPLOST funding for the Trion City and Chattooga County School systems. This is not a new tax, only a vote to continue the one penny sales tax.  The ESPLOST dollars for Trion City Schools has allowed the school system to build a new gym, band room, weight room, high school, and maintain daily operations. ESPLOST revenues have been spent on technology and other instructional needs. It is imperative to the continued success and progress of Trion City School and Chattooga County Schools that the voters vote "yes" for the continuance of the ESPLOST.  It is the fairest tax, as all individuals living in Chattooga County and even individuals passing through our county, help to pay for our school system needs.

Trion Elementary once again earned the designation of a Title I Distinguished School for 2019. This makes 11 consecutive years that TES has earned recognition of being a Distinguished and/or Reward Schools. Distinguished Schools are those schools that when ranked according to their most recent CCRPI single score (86.7), are among the highest performing schools that represent 5% of all Title I Schoolwide Schools and 5% of all Title I Targeted Assistance schools eligible for identification.

Dr. Williams and board members proclaimed the week of November 18-21, 2019 as Family Engagement Week. The board members were invited to assist with school wide “Family Involvement Day” (November 21) by handing out pastries to parents/guardians during student morning drop off.

**Superintendent Report**

The GSBA Winter Conference will be December 4-6, 2019 in Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. Williams discussed the recently released College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) scores with the board.

**Personnel**

The following personnel recommendations were approved:

Classified Resignations

Tina Woods - Food Service Employee

Classified Recommendations

Heather Stewart – Student Support Services Parent Mentor

Brianna Stewart – Early Learning Center

Substitute Employees

Deborah Weaver – Substitute Teacher

Diane Myrick – Substitute Food Service