

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOLS

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EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

DECEMBER 14, 2017

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board President John Walker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the East Carter Elementary Cafeteria. The following Board Members were present: John Walker, Johnathan Collins, Glenn Crook, Tracy Crowley, Mark Hampton and James Gore. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Richard Sullivan, Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick, Middle School Principal Theresa Kearbey, High School Principal Jon McKinney, Special Education Director Danielle Sullivan, Board Secretary Kathey Dalton, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer, staff members Daniel Baucom, Jamie Baucom, Kevin Asberry and Jordan Penn. Also present were Lisa Roam, Jan Scott, Doug Scott, Paul O'Dell, George Meyers, Beulah Pratt and Valerie Weinhaus.

Superintendents Report

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was up \$1,375 from last year. Dr. Sullivan said that the District has been notified that we have been classified as accredited on December 1, 2017 by the State Board of Education, Interim Commissioner Dorson sent his congratulations to the district and community. Dr. Sullivan reported the DESE on-site food service review went well and the district should be notified of recommendations for any needed changes sometime within the month. Dr. Sullivan stated that the high school gym bleacher upgrades have been completed and we are receiving positive comments from our public. We have been notified by the sign company that it will most likely be after the first of the year before the digital message board is installed. Dr. Sullivan congratulated the East Carter Boys Basketball Team for winning the Yellow Sucker game and said we had great community support for our students at the event. Bills were discussed.

Approval of Minutes/Bills

The Board approved the November 21, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Bills were approved as presented.

New Business

The Board approved Stonie Croy to fill the Board Member Vacancy until the April 2018 re-organization meeting. Agent of Record was discussed. The Board approved the Gifted Program Evaluation, Homeless Program Evaluation, Migrant Program Evaluation and the Safety and Emergency Preparedness Program Evaluation. The FY 2018 Budget Amendments were approved. The Board approved the January Board meeting be set on January 18, 2018 at 6:30 in the Elementary Cafeteria. There was no Fund 1 to Fund 4 transfers or resignations at this time. The Board approved the sale of an excess school bus and to allow students to participate as athletic managers under certain conditions.

Old Business

None

Staff/Committee Reports

Middle School Principal Theresa Kearbey said she would like to thank the Masonic Lodge for the donation of \$1,800 which allows for much needed supplies. She said that the Middle School teachers have been working and using the early out days to tutor students and help those who may have missing assignments. Mrs. Kearbey said our Counselor Kevin Asberry has been going into health classes and talking about bullying etc. on a monthly basis and middle school is doing the 2nd attendance appeal with parents.

High School Principal Jon McKinney said the High School attendance was up again this month at 95.89% with a year to date 95.42% attendance. Mr. McKinney said we had 34 students attend the Beta Convention and was proud of how our students acted and they represented our district well. Several High School teachers attend the Professional Development Teachers Road Show at Cape Girardeau. Mr. McKinney stated that the High School have finished the integrated test and he talked about Red and White day. Mr. McKinney said he was proud of our High School Basketball team for bringing home the Yellow Sucker Trophy.

Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick talked about the Engrade program and the math pilot that we are working with this year. Mrs. Kendrick said the data meetings were finished and the Christmas Program was a big success with a packed house. She said that the Polar Express day was a success with Santa and Mrs. Clause making an appearance and hot chocolate and cookies were served to students with only a few spills.

The Board moved to enter into Executive session in accordance with Public Law, Section 610:21 items 3, 6, 9, 13 and 14 for closed meeting to the extent authorized by law: Meeting recessed at 8:00 p.m.

Executive Session

The Executive meeting was called to order by Board President John Walker at 8:14 pm in the Superintendent's office. The agenda was approved as presented. Executive Board Minutes from November 21, 2017 were approved. Becky Fischer, Aaron Maxwell, Victoria Schleh, Trena Massie, James Buffington, Rena Miller, Tracy Pryor and Melissa Duckett were approved as substitute teachers. The Board approved a list of early graduates providing they met the requirements as recommended by High School Principal Jon McKinney. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.