

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOL

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EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Board President James Gore called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. in the East Carter County R-II Elementary Cafeteria. The following Board members were present; James Gore, Jordan Collins, Stonie Croy, Ben Thies, Johnathan Collins, JoEllen Carter and John Walker. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Richard Sullivan, High School Principal Jon McKinney, Middle School Principal Theresa Kearbey, Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick, SpEd Director Danielle Sullivan, Network Administrator Bill Lewis, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer and Board Secretary Kathey Dalton, staff members Teresa Kearbey, Angela Pence, Norma Enochs, April VanWinkle, David Kingston, Ryan Alexander, Ebby Miller and Rae Roach. Also present Matt Price, Olivia Price (OPAA), Susie Fann (E. Carter Custodial), Valarie Weinhaus, Liz Meyers, Trinity Weinhaus, Riley O'Dell, Paul O'Dell, Jan Scott, Liberty Scott, Journey Scott, Mike Catlett (Catlett and Associates), Jeff Lindsey (LJ Hart), Michael (KT Power Systems) and Barry Crumley (SMT).

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was up \$175.26 from this month last year. Dr. Sullivan said our Jr. and Sr. Beta members competed in many academic, specialty and performance events at the State Beta Convention earlier this month, with many earning their way to National Competition to be held in Ft. Worth, TX next June. Dr. Sullivan said that our high school gym floor is scheduled to be treated over the break to improve appearance and restore traction for the players. The heat in the FEMA building is in need of replacement. Our maintenance director David Kingston is currently seeking multiple bids. Dr. Sullivan said he is hoping we can get several loads of chat brought in over the break to improve and possibly expand some of our parking lots. Bills were discussed.

MINUTES/BILLS

The Board approved the November 12, 2019, November 21, 2019 and the November 26, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes and Bills were approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

State Level Competition-Student Presentation; Angela Pence said she had 32 students attend State Beta Conventions with 6 placing for Nationals. Riley O'Dell placed 1<sup>st</sup> in state for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade Language Arts, Samantha Conaway placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in sculpture, Madison Thurman and Hailey Bradford placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with an original song and performance in Solo/Duo/Trio, Macy Cyr placed 4<sup>th</sup> for black and white

photography and Betsy Scott placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Fiber Art with a wedding dress. Rae Roach said we had 2 qualify in cross country this year, Kennedy Thies is a 4-time qualifier and 4-time state qualifier and Braxton Walker qualified as well. Teresa Kearbey said her and Jason Moore wanted to thank the Board for all their support this year. Ms. Kearbey said the team won 4<sup>th</sup> place 2 years in a row with 2 students qualifying for all state, McKenna Moore and Naomi Crowley. Jon McKinney read a note from Tasha Thies thanking the Board for all their support for the cheerleaders. Theresa Kearbey said Mrs. Asher was unable to attend the Board Meeting due to the Christmas music concert. Ms. Kearbey said Ms. Asher would like to thank the Board for their support of the Jr. Beta Club, Ms Kearbey said congratulations go out to Kaitlyn Boyer for 1<sup>st</sup> place in 8<sup>th</sup> grade Language Arts, Gabriel Randazzo- 1<sup>st</sup> place in 6<sup>th</sup> grade Science, Olivia Henderson-3<sup>rd</sup> place in 8<sup>th</sup> grade Science, and Serenity Warren- 5<sup>th</sup> place in 8<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies. Ms. Kearbey said congratulations go out to 3 Cloggers (Kaitlyn Boyer, Ciara Duckett and Abigail Price) from group talent who were selected to be Premier Performers for the Jr. beta National Conference in June in Fort Worth, Texas. Ryan Alexander thanked the Board for allowing the JAG trip to Washington D.C. Mr. Alexander said the students were able to enjoy some first like flying in an airplane. Trinity Weinhaus thanked the Board for allowing them to take this trip. She said she got to experience new things and left feeling more appreciative after visiting the Holocaust Museum. Hailey Bishop thanked the Board and said she enjoyed flying in an airplane but it was a little scary but said she had an amazing time.

The Board approved a \$1,000 donation to Project Prom, permission to take students to St. Louis and use 3-4 buses and drivers. Mike Catlett from Catlett and Associates presented the District Auditor's Report to the Board. The Board approved the Auditor's Report, Annual Secretary of the Board Report (ASBR), and Annual Secretary of the Board Balance Letter. The Board discussed the possibility of a Curriculum Director/Technology Integration/Grant Writer position, approved implementing the procession/payment of substitutes, trip drivers, after hours' tutors, etc. on the 15<sup>th</sup> and last day of the month, with a two-week holdback period starting January 2, 2020 and Option #3 for Building Project Ballot Language. The Board set a Special Board Meeting Date to finalize Ballot Language on January 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria. The Board approved the Achievement Data Program Evaluation, Gifted Program Evaluation, Homeless Program Evaluation, Migrant Program Evaluation and Safety and Emergency Preparedness Program Evaluation. The Board approved the Amended Budget FY20. The Board accepted Ryan Alexanders resignation as JAG Teacher and High School Baseball Assistant Coach and Patricia Farris' resignation effective May 15, 2020.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Top Ten Criteria was discussed concerning GPA and class rank. A committee that consist of High School Counselor April VanWinkle, Board Members Ben Thies and Johnathan Collins and Secretary Kathey Dalton will meet to discuss GPA and class rank. Wireless network options were discussed with KT Power Systems and SMT.

#### STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Norma Enochs represented the CTA and thanked the Board for all they do and said she appreciates all they do for our staff. Ms. Enochs handed out popcorn tins from the CTA to the Board and Administration. Kacie Kendrick said the 5<sup>th</sup> grade play was a success. She said the kids did a fantastic job remembering their lines and she said they did an awesome job on the backdrop. Ms. Kendrick said the

after school meal program is working out well. Bell Lewis talked about E-rate funding and said we are coming to the end of our 5-year cycle but have had another 6 years added for about \$20,000.

The Board moved to enter into Executive session in accordance with Public Law, Section 610:21; Items 3, 6, 13 and 14 for a closed meeting to the extent authorized by law.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Board Meeting was called to order by Board President James Gore at 9:39 p.m. The agenda was approved as presented. The Board approved the minutes for the November 21, 2019 Board Meeting. The Board approved Damien Smith as substitute teacher, Kelly Hampton as substitute bus driver and Kaley Thies as volunteer cheer coach. Executive meeting was adjourned at 9:41 p.m.