Pike County Board of Education
Board Minutes
September 14, 2020

The Pike County Board of Education met at 5:30 P.M. at their regular monthly session at the CA³L Building, located at 205 Mockingbird Lane, Troy, Alabama. Board members present for the meeting were as follows:

Mr. Justin Davis, President  District Three
Mr. Chris Wilkes, Vice President  District Six
Rev. Earnest Green  District One
Dr. Greg Price  District Two
Mrs. Linda Steed  District Four
Dr. Clint Foster  District Five
Dr. Mark Bazzell  Secretary to the Board

2. The meeting was called to order by the President. The invocation was given by Dr. Foster.

3. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved the minutes of August 10, 2020, September 8, 2020 and September 10, 2020.

4. Hearing of Delegations and Communications

5. On a motion made by Mr. Wilkes, seconded by Rev. Green, the Board approved the agenda with three additional items.

6. Unfinished Business – None

7. New Business

A. On a motion made by Mr. Wilkes, seconded by Mrs. Steed, the Board approved the Financial Statements and Bank Reconciliements for the month of August 2020.

B. On a motion made by Dr. Foster, seconded by Dr. Price, the Board approved the payrolls for the month of August 2020 and account run dates of 08/10/2020, 08/12/2020, and 8/23/2020.

C. On a motion made by Dr. Price, seconded by Mr. Wilkes, the Board approved FY 21 Budget.

D. On a motion made by Mr. Wilkes, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved to pay the ATBE General Liability/Errors and Omission Fund Coverage for 2020-2021.

E. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved the recommended Five-Year Capital Plan.

F. On a motion made by Dr. Price, seconded by Dr. Foster, the approved the Superintendent’s recommendation related to the Social Security tax deferral program.
G. On a motion made by Rev. Green, seconded by Mr. Wilkes, the Board approved the local textbook committee recommendation to purchase “Becoming a Teacher” for the Education Training Program.

H. On a motion made by Dr. Foster, seconded by Dr. Price, the Board awarded the bid for propane to Thompson Propane. This bid was originally awarded to Ferrallgas, who has since withdrawn their bid.

I. On a motion made by Mr. Wilkes, seconded by Mrs. Steed, the Board awarded the bid for CNC Plasma Table to Redmond Machinery.

J. On a motion made by Dr. Foster, seconded by Dr. Price, the Board approved or denied student transfer requests per the attached spreadsheet.

K. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved the renewal of property insurance with Sanbuck Insurance, Inc.

8. Personnel

A. On a motion made by Dr. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Steed, the Board accepted the resignation of Debbie Kelley, 1st Grade Teacher, PCES.

B. On a motion made by Mr. Wilkes, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved Catastrophic Leave and FMLA for Gary Pruitt, Bus Driver.

C. On a motion made by Dr. Price, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved the request to employ Monique Mills, 2nd Grade Teacher, PCES. This hire is contingent on her passing the EdTPA and receiving her teaching certificate.

D. On a motion made by Dr. Price, seconded by Rev. Green, the Board approved the request to employ Jennifer Creech, 1 Grade Teacher, PCES.

E. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Rev. Green, the Board approved the request to employ Kristen Langford, Counselor, PCES. RETROACTIVE: 08/20/2020

F. On a motion made by Mr. Wilkes, seconded by Dr. Price, the Board approved the request to employ Kimberly Hester, Nurse, GHS. RETROACTIVE: 08/18/2020.

G. On a motion made by Dr. Foster, seconded by Dr, Price, the Board approved the request to employ Lisa Brown, Nurse, Banks. RETROACTIVE: 09/01/2020.

H. On a motion made by Mr. Wilkes, seconded by Dr. Price, the Board approved the request to employ Tyrone Barrow, Mental Health Service Coordinator.

I. On a motion made by Dr. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Steed, the Board approved the request to employ Shirley Holloway, SPED Aide, PCES.
J. On a motion made by Rev. Green, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved the request to employ Caroline Howell, Academy Tutor.

K. On a motion made by Rev. Green, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved the request to hire Nicholas Johnson, Academy Tutor.

L. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved volunteer status for Thomas Mitchell, Soccer, Football and Volleyball, PCHS.

M. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved volunteer status for Alfred Robinson, Girls’ Basketball, GHS.

N. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved volunteer status for Caitlyn Ramirez, Girls’ Basketball, GHS.

O. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved volunteer status for Justin Sanders, Baseball, GHS.

P. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved volunteer status for Justin Kilpatrick, Football, GHS.

Q. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved volunteer status for Tarrance Boyd, Football, PCHS.

R. On a motion made by Dr. Foster, seconded by Rev. Green, the Board approved maternity leave for Caitlyn Ramirez.

S. In a motion made by Mr. Wilkes, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved the request to employ Abbie Lewis, SPED Aide, Banks.

On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board entered Executive Session at 5:52 pm to discuss land negotiations and a pending legal matter.

The Board returned to open session at 6:32 pm.

9. Business by members of the Board and Superintendent of Education not included on the agenda.

A. On a motion made by Dr. Price, seconded by Rev. Green, the Board approved the Superintendent’s recommendation to terminate a probationary support employee.

B. On a motion made by Mrs. Steed, seconded by Dr. Foster, the Board approved the proposal to wave sick leave due to COVID-19 under certain circumstances subject to appeal to the Superintendent. Retroactive to August 12, 2020.
10. On a motion made by Rev. Green, seconded by Mr. Wilkes, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Dr. S. Mark Bazzell, Secretary    Mr. Justin Davis, President