**OFFICIAL**
**MINUTES OF THE BLOUNT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Blount County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Thursday, December 3, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in the John P. Davis, Jr. boardroom at the Central Office.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Caroline and Lauren Kirkland, 4th grade students at Friendsville Elementary School

Roll Call of the Board is as follows:

- Jim Compton Present
- Charlie Finley Present
- Fred Goins Present
- Trevis Gardner Present
- Scott Helton Present
- Bill Padgett Present
- Debbie Sudhoff Present

The clerk declared a quorum and Chairman Gardner called the meeting to order.

There were no **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**RECOGNITIONS, REPORTS and PRESENTATIONS**

- Employee of the Month-Kathy Smith-Friends Director **David Murrell**
- Centers for Workforce Development Report **Alisa Teffeteller**
- Attendance Report **Stan Burnette**

**SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS** **Trevis Gardner**

- Art Gallery-Union Grove Elementary School
- Art Showcase-Middlesettlements Elementary School
- Boardroom-Heritage Middle School

**DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS REPORT** **Rob Britt**

- Mr. Britt stated things are going well as we prepare for the end of the semester. Exams have begun in the two high schools. He recognized Matthew Stewart, Daily Times reporter. Mr. Britt stated this is Matthew's last school board meeting as he will begin student teaching in January. He stated during his tenure as reporter Matthew always demonstrated integrity. Mr. Britt stated Matthew cared for Blount County Schools and would be missed.

The **PERSONNEL REPORT** will stand as submitted. **David Murrell**

**TECHNOLOGY REPORT** **John Herron**

- Mr. Herron gave an E-rate update

**FACILITIES MAINTENANCE REPORT** **Gary Farmer**

- Tile will be placed in the intersection area of Heritage High School over Christmas break

- New roofs which were installed at: Middlesettlements, Montvale, and Heritage High School intersection are performing as designed (great: keeping water out)
- We will be proceeding with new gym, auxiliary gym, and weight room roofs at William Blount and Heritage High Schools
- Blount County Schools green cleaning program, which was instituted in 2014-15, will be recognized by American Schools and Universities in their December 2015 issue. When it is published, Mr. Farmer will forward it to the Board

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT** **Trevis Gardner**

- Approval of Heritage High School Choral students to attend All East Choir/TN Honors Choir in Chattanooga, TN on November 19-21, 2015

**Motion to approve Executive Committee Report by Mr. Finley**
**Seconded by Mr. Padgett**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**1.** Approval of **AGENDA** for December 3, 2015, Regular Meeting

**2.** Approval of **MINUTES** for November 5, 2015, Regular Meeting

**3.** Approval of **PAID NON-FACULTY COACHES**
- Matthew Connatser-Union Grove Middle School-Basketball

**4.** Approval of **NON-PAID, NON-FACULTY COACHES**
- Roy Crisp-Montvale Elementary School-Boys' Basketball
- Erica Stephens-William Blount High School-Tennis

**5.** Approval of **IN-SCHOOL GAMES**
- Rockford Elementary to hold their annual Faculty Staff Basketball Game on December 17, 2015

**6.** Approval of **TRIPS**
- Heritage High School choral department-All State Choir in Nashville, TN on April 13-16, 2016
- Heritage High School Band students-Disney World in Orlando, FL-March 10-14, 2016
- Heritage High School indoor color guard-Walland Elementary School-February 26-27, 2016
- Heritage High School indoor color guard-Walland Elementary School-January 15-17, 2016
- Heritage High School indoor color guard-Walland Elementary School-January 2-3, 2016
- Heritage High School indoor color guard-Walland Elementary School-December 18-19, 2015
- Heritage High School indoor color guard-Walland Elementary School-December 4-5, 2016
- System-wide Talented/Gifted students-U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, AL-March 5, 2016

**7.** Approval of **NEPOTISM POLICY COMPLIANCE** for Cody Russell as non-faculty coach

**Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Mr. Compton**
**Seconded by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**Motion to set Agenda by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Padgett**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**AGENDA:**

**1.** Discussion and possible action regarding installation of 19 control access doors throughout the school system **Rob Britt**

**Motion to approve by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Padgett**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**2.** Discussion and possible action for selection of architectural engineering consultant services for campus and facility assessment to remediate, renovate, remodel and create 21st century learning space at Heritage and William Blount High Schools **Rob Britt**

**Motion to approve by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Goins**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**3.** Discussion and possible action for selection of mechanical engineering services for the replacement of classroom HVAC units at Heritage High School **Rob Britt**

**Motion to approve by Mr. Compton**
**Seconded by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**4.** Discussion and possible action regarding Budget Transfers **Troy Logan**
**(a)** Fund 143-73100 (Food Service)-$12,800
**(b)** Fund 141-71100 (GPSF)-$12,000
**(c)** Fund 141-72120 (GPSF)-$1,540
**(d)** Fund 141-72620 (GPSF)-$30,000

**Motion to approve Budget Transfers a-d by Mr. Compton**
**Seconded by Mr. Helton**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**5.** Discussion and possible action regarding Budget Increase/Decrease **Troy Logan**
**(a)** Fund 143-73100 (School Cafeteria/Food Service)-$12,800.10
**(b)** Funds 72410, 72610, 72710 (General Purpose Schools)-$18,376.61
**(c)** Fund 189-xxxxxx-11130 (Capital-Schools Undesignated)-$43,631.27
**(d)** Fund 141-72290-Safe Schools Grant, State of TN (GPSF)-$16,160.35

**Motion by Mr. Compton to open item for discussion**
**Seconded by Mr. Padgett**

Mr. Logan presented the following updated changes for approval:

**(a)** Change from $12,800.10 to $17,800.10
**(b)** Change from $18,376.61 to $23,376.61

**Motion to approve a & b as amended by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Finley**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**Motion to approve c & d by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Padgett**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**6.** Discussion and possible action regarding tenure recommendations **David Murrell**

| Name | School |
|---|---|
| Leigha Austin | SW Music |
| Cassandra Borden | CMS |
| Ryan Ferrell | WBHS |
| Cristina Goodmiller | SW Psychologist |
| Stephanie Hearon | WBHS |
| Kevin Miller | SW Music |
| Misty Perry | HHS |
| Robert Reeves | HHS |
| Nancy Sanford | Friendsville |
| Tim Stafford | HHS |
| Rebekah Stewart | HHS |
| Jessica Underwood | CMS |
| Justin Young | WBHS |

**Motion to approve tenure recommendation by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Padgett**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**7.** Discussion and possible action regarding Bid #2015-2371-Heritage High School Flooring **Gary Farmer**

Recommendation: Broadway Flooring

**Motion to approve by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Padgett**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**8.** Discussion and possible action regarding Bid #2015-2373-HHS Reroofing Q, T, & U 2015 **Gary Farmer**

Recommendation: Morristown Roofing Company

**Motion to approve by Mr. Compton**
**Seconded by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**9.** Discussion and possible action regarding Bid #2015-2374-WBHS Reroofing M, N, & O 2015 **Gary Farmer**

Recommendation: Morristown Roofing Company

**Motion to approve by Mr. Padgett**
**Seconded by Mr. Finley**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**ADDENDUM**

**1.** Discussion and possible action regarding appointing a committee to study director's evaluation **Trevis Gardner**

Committee: Fred Goins, Chairman, Rob Britt, Donny Anderson, Dr. Terry Simpson, Maryville College, and a parent representative (yet not chosen).

**Motion to approve by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Compton**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**2.** Discussion and possible action regarding Budget Increase **Troy Logan**

- Fund 141-72310 (GPSF)-$259,048

**Motion to approve by Mr. Padgett**
**Seconded by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**3.** Discussion and possible action to approve lease purchase agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management for six maintenance vehicles **Troy Logan**

Total annual lease cost for six maintenance vehicles with no full maintenance program is $26,783.64. The lease will be for five years.

**Motion to approve by Mr. Finley**
**Seconded by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**4.** Discussion and possible action regarding the allowance of Board of Education Chairman to sign on transfer of a portion of Eagleton property to TDOT for widening of Defoe Street **Gary Farmer**

Board minutes reflect that on May 11, 1989 the Board of Education declared the old Eagleton Elementary School property as surplus and returned it to Blount County for their disposal. At that time the County did not have a deed prepared.

**Motion to approve by Mr. Helton**
**Seconded by Mr. Finley**
**Vote: 7/0 Passed**

**COMMENTS FROM THE BLOUNT COUNTY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**

- Rebecca Dickenson, BCEA President, congratulated all teachers who received tenure

**COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES**

Samuel Taylor (William Blount High School) stated a Medic drive was held on November 11th, basketball season has begun, and the theatre department presented "It's a Wonderful Life".

There were no **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no **COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

- Mr. Padgett congratulated the students at William Blount for their Veterans' Day Program
- Mr. Compton thanked all schools that held a Veterans' Day program. He stated at Lanier Elementary School the Board needed to look at fixing the roof before next school year
- Mr. Goins stated some items the Board needs to consider are: adding one or two TAG teachers, a part-time counselor at Lanier, and more TAs at Mary Blount. He requested before the next board meeting Mr. Britt have principals compile a list of two or three things they feel would impact their schools

There was no further business of the Board.

**Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Sudhoff**
**Seconded by Mr. Finley**
**Meeting adjourned**

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**Trevis Gardner, Chairman**

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**Rob Britt, Secretary**