

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

The Blount County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Thursday, July 1, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the John P. Davis, Jr. Boardroom at the Central Office.

Prayer was led by David Murrell, Assistant Director of Schools. Jet and Kizer Murrell, students at Walland Elementary School, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of the Board is as follows:

- Mr. Cantrell Present (arrived @ 6:15)
- Mr. Compton Present
- Mr. Finley Absent
- Mr. Gardner Absent
- Dr. McNelly Present
- Mr. Treadway Present
- Mr. Webb Present

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

There were no **Comments from the Community on Agenda Items**

RECOGNITIONS, REPORTS, and PRESENTATIONS

Shelia Merritt, Sally Joines, and Staci Price-Volunteer Recognition-Carpenters Middle School **Mr. Mike Crabtree**

REPORTS

1. DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS **Mr. Rob Britt**
No report given

2. PERSONNEL **Mr. David Murrell**
The Personnel Report will stand as submitted

- 3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
- Approval of one-year sabbatical leave of absence for Dina Renee Davis, Porter Elementary, 2014-15 school year
 - Approval of one-year sabbatical leave of absence for Crystal Belew, Union Grove Elementary, 2014-15 school year
 - Approval of Budget Increase/Decrease

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Increase</u>
142-072210-500189-51404	Other Salaries and Wages	15,000	
142-072210-500201-51404	Social Security	930	
142-072210-500204-51404	State Retirement	1,340	
142-072210-500212-51404	FI CA	230	
142-000000-473110-51404	ARRA-Innovative Educator Grant		17,500

**Motion to Approve Executive Committee Report by Mr. Webb
Seconded by Mr. Compton**

Vote: 4/0 Passed

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda for June 30, 2014, Regular Meeting
2. Approval of Minutes for May 23, 2014, Called Meeting
3. Approval of Minutes for June 5, 2014, Regular Meeting
4. Approval of **TRIPS**
 - Heritage High School Cheerleaders-Wilderness in the Smokies-August 30-September 1, 2014
5. Approval of **BUS CONTRACT CHANGES**
 - Bus #20-Barbara Gregory, current owner transfer to Rick Blair effective July 3, 2014
 - Bus #37-Barbara Gregory, current owner transfer to Rick Blair effective July 3, 2014
 - Bus #24-Doug West, current owner transfer to Ollie Boring effective July 3, 2014
 - Bus #34-Doug West, current owner transfer to Ollie Boring effective July 3, 2014
6. Approval of contract with Clabough Mobile Dentistry for 2014-15 school year
7. Approval of agreement between Blount County Board of Education and the Blount County Sheriff for the School Resource Officer Contract
8. Approval of **WILLIAM BLOUNT NON-FACULTY, NON-PAID COACHES**
 - Derek Dukes-Football
 - Chelsea Harmon-Dance
9. Approval of **WILLIAM BLOUNT NON-FACULTY, PAID COACHES**
 - Brad Cochran-Football/Basketball
 - Jordan Otis-Football
 - Randall Davis-Football/Track
 - Mikala Hill-Cheer
 - Jim Millsaps-Girls' Soccer
 - Amber Young-Dance
 - Micah Ballard-Boys Basketball
 - Joe Lee-Boys Basketball
 - Katrina Thaxton-Girls' Basketball
 - Paul Donnell-Tennis
 - Richard Hall-Wrestling
 - Wanda DaWaard-Swimming

**Motion to Approve Consent Agenda by Mr. Treadway
Seconded by Mr. Webb**

Vote: 4/0 Passed

Agenda Items:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding OT/PT contract for 2014-15 school year

Amanda Vance

Staff recommendation: Blount Memorial Hospital (low-proposal) \$144,105.00

**Motion to Approve OP/TP Contract by Mr. Treadway
Seconded by Mr. Compton**

Discussion and concerns were made concerning the original request for proposals and the need for a re-bid. Mr. Treadway withdrew his motion because he felt that anyone who wanted to object to a bid and asked for it be re-opened was not setting a good precedent for the board.

**Motion to Approve OP/TP Contract by Mr. Compton
Seconded by Mr. Webb**

Dr. McNelly acknowledged the presence of Mr. Cantrell and asked that it be reflected in the record.

Vote: 4/1 Passed

2. Discussion and possible action regarding creation of two new positions with the Tennessee Rehabilitation Grant

Mr. David Murrell

Staff recommendation: Positions as Vocational Rehabilitation Transition Case Manager and Job Coach

**Motion to approve Two New Positions by Mr. Treadway
Seconded by Mr. Webb**

Vote: 5/0 Passed

3. Discussion and possible action regarding Bid #2013-2283-Running Track Re-Surfacing

Mr. Troy Logan

Staff recommendation: Baseline Sports Construction, (second lowest bidder), \$177,045.00

The lowest bidder was First Place Finish and their bid was rejected because it was felt that their product was not equal to the product requested in the bid.

**Motion to approve Bid for Running Tracks by Mr. Cantrell
Seconded by Mr. Treadway**

Vote: 5/0 Passed

4. Discussion and possible action regarding Bid #2013-2282-Desktop Computers and Printers

Dr. John Dalton

Staff recommendation: Personal Computer Systems

**Motion to approve Desktop Computers & Printers by Mr. Cantrell
Seconded by Mr. Webb**

Vote: 5/0 Passed

5. Discussion and possible action regarding 2014-15 budget(s)

Mr. Troy Logan

Mr. Logan advised the board that the county commission met and appropriated funds for Blount County Schools with a tax rate of \$1.07 which is one cent less than last year. An amendment of \$190,000 is being submitted for consideration to cover the decrease in funding by increasing the use of fund balance on the revenue side.

Mr. Compton made a motion to amend the motion to increase the use of fund balance by \$2 million to replace the roofs at Montvale and Middlesettlements and purchasing social studies textbooks. Seconded by Dr. McNelly.

There was discussion regarding the amount of fund balance remaining and leaving the new board with so little reserves.

Motion to approve Amendment to Budget by Mr. Compton

Seconded by Dr. McNelly

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Webb – No

Mr. Cantrell – No

Mr. Compton – Yes

Dr. McNelly – No

Mr. Treadway - No

Vote: 4/1 Failed

Motion to approve Amendment to Budget by Dr. McNelly

Seconded by Mr. Treadway

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Webb – Yes

Mr. Cantrell – Yes

Mr. Compton – Yes

Dr. McNelly – Yes

Mr. Treadway - Yes

Vote: 5/0 Passed

Mr. Logan submitted three additional budget amendments as part of the \$190,000.

Motion to approve additional budget amendments by Mr. Compton

Seconded by Mr. Treadway

Vote: 5/0 Passed

6. Discussion and possible action regarding **Budget Increase/Decrease**

Mr. Troy Logan

Account Number	Account Name	Increase	Increase
142-072210-500189-51404	Other Salaries and Wages	15,000	
142-072210-500195-51404	Substitute Teachers	1,800	
142-072210-500201-51404	Social Security	1,080	
142-072210-500204-51404	State Retirement	1,340	
142-072210-500212-51404	FICA Medicare	280	
142-072210-500355-51404	Travel	10,294.62	

142-072210-500429-51404	Instructional Supplies	58,000	
142-000000-473110-51404	ARRA-Innovative Educator Grant		87,794.62

Motion to approve additional budget amendments by Mr. Treadway

Seconded by Mr. Compton

Vote: 5/0 Passed

NO COMMENTS FROM THE BLOUNT COUNTY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

NO COMMITTEE REPORTS

NO COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA OR ON THE AGENDA

NO COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

There was no further business.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Webb

Seconded by no one

Meeting adjourned

Dr. Don McNelly, Chairman

Mr. Rob Britt, Secretary