

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

The Blount County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the John P. Davis, Jr. Boardroom at the Central Office.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Savannah Rea a 4th grade student at Mary Blount Elementary School

Roll Call of the Board:

- Jim Compton Present
- Charlie Finley Present
- Trevis Gardner Present
- Fred Goins Absent
- 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

- Carpenters Elementary School Boys and Girls basketball teams
- Employee of the Month-Debbie Hughett, Rockford Elementary
- Elementary (PK-5th) Instructional Program Report
- Secondary (6th-12th) Instructional Program Report

**Stan Burnette
David Murrell
Mike Crabtree
Jane Morton**

SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS

- Art Gallery-Rockford Elementary School
- Art Showcase-Middlesettlements Elementary School
- Boardroom-Mary Blount Elementary School

DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS REPORT

Rob Britt

Mr. Britt stated a special called meeting will need to be held on March 22nd or 24th to vote on the 2016-17 budget. The budget is due to County Commission on April 1st.

PERSONNEL REPORT

David Murrell

The Personnel Report will stand as presented

FINANCIAL REPORT

Troy Logan

The Financial Report was presented to the Board at the work session prior to the Board meeting

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

John Herron

The Technology Report will stand as presented

FACILITIES MAINTENANCE REPORT

Gary Farmer

Bid packets for the HVAC at Heritage High School will tentatively be opened on February 25th and be ready for Board approval at the March meeting

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Trevis Gardner

- Approval of Heritage High School agriculture students to attend State Hog Show in Murfreesboro, TN on January 19-20, 2016
- Approval of Bus Contract Number 97 current owner Brenda Long be changed to new owner Latisha M. Lequire, effective January 11, 2016
- Approval of Bus Contract Number 63 current owner Brenda Long be changed to new owner Brad Long, Volunteer Transit, effective January 11, 2016
- Approval of Bus Contract Number 98 current owner Brenda Long be changed to new owner Brad Long, Volunteer Transit, effective January 11, 2016
- Approval of Bus Contract Number 103 current owner Brenda Long be changed to new owner, Brad Long, Volunteer Transit, effective January 11, 2016

Motion to approve the Executive Committee Report by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mrs. Sudhoff

Vote: 6/0 Passed

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Mr. Compton

Seconded by Mrs. Sudhoff

Vote: 6/0 Passed

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda for February 4, 2016, Regular Meeting
2. Approval of Minutes for January 7, 2016, Regular Meeting
3. Approval of **TRIPS**
 - William Blount High School AFJROTC-Drill Competition in East Ridge, TN on February 13, 2016
 - Heritage High School band students-Competition in Atlanta, GA on March 4-6, 2016
 - Fairview Elementary School 5th grade students-Tremont-May 4-6, 2016
 - Heritage High School Dance Team-Pigeon Forge/Gatlinburg, TN-February 26-27, 2016
 - William Blount High School FFA-State FFA Convention in Gatlinburg, TN-March 21-23, 2016
 - William Blount High School FFA-National Farm Machinery Show in Louisville, KY-February 12, 2016
 - William Blount High School Animal Science Class-Animal Judging Clinic in Cookeville, TN-February 10, 2016
4. Approval of **NON-PAID, NON-FACULTY COACHES**
 - Coty Stiltner-Heritage High School-Wrestling Coach
 - Stephanie Gleason-Carpenters Middle School-Volleyball Coach
5. Approval of **IN-SCHOOL GAMES**
 - Union Grove Elementary School to hold their annual Orange and Blue basketball game on Friday, February 5, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.
 - William Blount High School to host an in-school baseball game with Heritage High School on Monday, March 28, 2016
6. Approval of **POLICY CHANGES**
 - Policy 5.304-Long Term Leaves of Absence for Professional Personnel

Debbie Sudhoff

- Policy 5.305-Family Medical Leave
- Policy 4.605-Graduation Requirements
- Policy 6.503-Homeless Students

Mr. Gardner stated Mr. Goins requested Agenda Item #6 be removed at this time

Motion to set agenda removing Item #6 by Mrs. Sudhoff

Seconded by Mr. Finley

Vote: 6/0 Passed

AGENDA:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding first reading on new policy-Prevention and Treatment of Sudden Cardiac Arrest (no current policy) **Debbie Sudhoff**

Motion to approve by Mr. Helton

Seconded by Mr. Padgett

Vote: 6/0 Passed

- 2 Discussion and possible action regarding Budget Transfers **Troy Logan**
 - (a) Fund 141-72210 (GPSF) \$3,000
 - (b) Fund 141-71200 (GPSF) \$7,500

Motion to approve by Mr. Compton

Seconded by Mr. Padgett

Vote: 6/0 Passed

3. Discussion and possible action for approval of AIA contract with Michael Brady, Inc. for HVAC room units at Heritage High School **Troy Logan**

Motion to approve by Mrs. Sudhoff

Seconded by Mr. Padgett

Vote: 6/0 Passed

4. Discussion and possible action regarding School Bus Contract #17, Sandra Finchum current owner, be changed to Richard Pass, PB&T Transportation effective February 5, 2016 **Stan Burnette**

Motion to approve by Mr. Padgett

Seconded by Mr. Finley

Vote: 6/0 Passed

5. Discussion and possible action regarding returning Veterans' Day as a day out of school for students and school staff on future school calendars **Fred Goins**

Motion to approve by Mr. Compton

Seconded by Mrs. Sudhoff

It was discussed what was the plan if Veterans' Day fell on a weekend. It was decided to wait on taking any action on this item until Mr. Goins could return next month

Motion to table this item until next month by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Helton

TABLED

6. Discussion and possible action regarding setting aside 2% of the 2016-17 school budget in a restricted instructional account for the purpose of funding additional resources for the students **Fred Goins**

Pulled from agenda-no action

COMMENTS FROM THE BLOUNT COUNTY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

- Rebecca Dickenson, BCEA President, expressed two concerns from teachers (1) roofs leaking in several schools after the recent rain and (2) problems with the new insurance

COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

- Brandon Hurst (HHS)-students received a grant to help cover half of AP exam costs; two chromebook carts have been donated; and tile that had been replaced in upstairs intersection looks nice and students appreciate the improvements
- Samuel Taylor (WB)-presented a short video on Project Search and introduced his brother who is a participant in the project

There were no **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- Wanda DeWaard-high school swim teams
- Steve Moser-Heritage Middle boys' basketball team

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

- Mr. Gardner thanked the staff for their preparation and presentation at the budget workshop held prior to the board meeting
- Mr. Compton requested on next month's agenda an item be placed regarding using \$2,000,000 of fund balance on the roofs at Eagleton Middle, Eagleton Elementary, Fairview, Heritage Vocational, Lanier, Porter, Rockford, Townsend, William Blount Vocational, William Blount 9th Grade Academy and Everett schools
- Mrs. Sudhoff thanked the staff for their hard work on the recent Excellence in Education banquet

Motion to adjourn by Mrs. Sudhoff

Seconded by Mr. Finley

Meeting Adjourned

Trevis Gardner, Chairman

Rob Britt, Secretary