

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

The Blount County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Thursday, September 1, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the John P. Davis, Jr. boardroom at the Central Office.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Caylee Carter, a 4th grade student at Rockford Elementary School

Roll Call of the Board is as follows:

- Jim Compton Present
- Charlie Finley Present
- Fred Goins Present
- Scott Helton Present
- Robbie Kirkland Present
- Bill Padgett Present
- Debbie Sudhoff Present

The Clerk declared a quorum and Board Chair Sudhoff called the meeting to order

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- Chairman

Nomination of Mrs. Sudhoff for Chairman by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Compton

Vote: 6/0 Passed

- Vice-Chairman

Nomination of Mr. Padgett for Vice-Chairman by Mrs. Sudhoff

Seconded by Mr. Finley

Vote: 6/0 Passed

- Parliamentarian

Nomination of Mr. Compton for Parliamentarian by Mr. Padgett

Seconded by Mr. Finley

Vote: 6/0 Passed

- Tennessee Legislative Network Representative

Nomination of Mr. Kirkland for Tennessee Legislative Network Representative by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Helton

Vote: 6/0 Passed

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

- Vance Davis-12th Grade Student-William Blount High School **Rob Clark**
- Heritage representative, Chloe Barry, was unable to attend due to illness. Principal Jake Jones will introduce her next month. Student Council President Elizabeth Frank was present for Miss Barry.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY ON AGENDA ITEMS

- There were no comments from the community

RECOGNITIONS, REPORTS and PRESENTATIONS

- Recognition of Tech Trainers for BCS' Online Google Basic Training professional development

Mike Crabtree

Michelle Harris, William Blount High School; Jeff Nuchols, Heritage High School; Julie Pepperman, Heritage Middle School, and Courtney Stewart, Mary Blount Elementary School

SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS

Debbie Sudhoff

- Art Gallery and Art Showcase-Elementary Art Teachers Personal Artwork
- Boardroom-Middle and High School Art Teachers Personal Artwork

DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS REPORT

Rob Britt

- Mr. Britt congratulated Mrs. Sudhoff for being elected as chairwoman. He congratulated Mr. Compton, Mr. Padgett, and Mr. Kirkland for their election to the Board. Mr. Britt thanked the Board for their support of him and stated they were the driving force for the school system. Mr. Britt commended the students at Heritage High and Heritage Middle Schools for their reverent and respectful behavior yesterday during the procession for Officer Motes. He asked the Blount County community to keep Officer Motes' family and all of our law enforcement officers in their prayers. Mr. Britt stated both Heritage and William Blount High Schools showed significant improvement in ACT scores.

PERSONNEL REPORT

David Murrell

- Mr. Goins disclosed his niece had recently been hired. The personnel report will stand as presented

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

John Herron

- Mr. Herron stated Chromebooks had been delivered to all 9th grade students and they were in the process of placing Chromebooks in the tech teachers classrooms. He stated by December all phones in the schools will be converted.

FACILITIES MAINTENANCE REPORT

Gary Farmer

- 449-New work orders were turned in on School Dude; 349-Work orders were closed; 289-Work orders currently not closed
- Rockford pod roof completed and final inspection completed 8/30/16
- Construction meetings have been conducted on both Lanier and Everett LOC. Awaiting materials to begin work. P.O.'s have been pulled
- Working on bid packets for flat section of Eagleton Elementary School and lower wing at Porter
- Stadium lights at both high school are really good

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Debbie Sudhoff

- Approval of School Bus Contract # 106 (New Contract)-John Clabough, Rocky Top Tours effective 8/22/16

Motion by Mr. Finley to approve Executive Committee Report

Seconded by Mr. Goins

Vote: 7/0 Passed

Motion by Mr. Compton to approve Consent Agenda

Seconded by Mr. Padgett

Vote: 7/0 Passed

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of **AGENDA** for September 1, 2016, Regular Meeting
2. Approval of **MINUTES** for August 11, 2016, Regular Meeting
3. Approval of **MINUTES** for August 11, 2016, Special Called Meeting
4. Approval of **TRIPS**
 - Eagleton Middle School 6th Grade Students to Atlanta, GA on May 12-13, 2017
 - William Blount High School 10th Grade Youth Leadership Blount to Legislative Retreat in Nashville, TN on February 22-23, 2017
 - William Blount High School Boys' Basketball Team to 22nd Annual Hilton Sandestin Beach Basketball Blowout in Destin, FL on December 26-31, 2016
 - William Blount High School 9th-12th Grade Science Field Research to Costa Rica on May 28-June 5, 2017
 - Eagleton Middle School 7th Grade Students to Nashville, TN on May 11-12, 2017
 - Eagleton Middle School 8th Grade Students to Washington, D.C. on May 20-23, 2017
5. Approval of **PAID NON-FACULTY COACHES**
 - Sherry Kenny-Rockford Elementary School-Boys' Basketball
 - LuAnne Zelasko-Union Grove Middle School-Tennis
 - Janie Beswick-Eagleton Middle School-Tennis
6. Approval of **NON-PAID, NON-FACULTY COACHES**
 - Brian Bolding-Porter Elementary School-Boys' Basketball
 - Mamie Evans-Carpenters Middle School-Dance Team
7. Approval of **ATHLETIC CAMPS**
 - Heritage High School Softball Fall Skills Camp to be held October 17-20, 2016 at a cost of \$20 per camper
8. Approval of **IN-SCHOOL GAMES**
 - Heritage High School Soccer Game with William Blount to be held on September 22, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Padgett to set the agenda

Seconded by Mr. Finley

Vote: 7/0 Passed

AGENDA:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding **Budget Increase**
 - Fund 141-72210 (GPSF) \$5,000

Alisa Teffeteller

Motion by Mr. Helton to approve

Seconded by Mr. Goins

Vote: 7/0 Passed

COMMENTS FROM THE BLOUNT COUNTY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

- BCEA President Rebecca Dickenson congratulated and welcomed the new Board members. She stated the school year was off to a good start.

COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

- **Heritage High School (Elizabeth Frank)**-Homecoming was held last week with the football team having a victory over Anderson County. She stated the students stood for the procession of Officer Kenny Motes. Students are collecting for Second Harvest Food Bank. A choir concert will be held on September 26th.
- **William Blount High School (Vance Davis)**-Open house was held in August and students are presently collecting for United Way and Second Harvest Food Bank. He stated students are also collecting money for the Motes family. Chromebooks have been delivered to all 9th grade students and William Blount saw a rise in ACT scores.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- There were no committee reports

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- There were no community comments

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

- Mrs. Sudhoff welcomed Mr. Compton and Mr. Padgett back to the Board and congratulated Mr. Kirkland on his election to the Board. She thanks Mr. Jones and Dr. Moser for their students' respectful behavior yesterday during the procession for Officer Motes.
- Mr. Finley stated Mrs. Sudhoff did an outstanding job chairing her first meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Goins

Meeting Adjourned

Debbie Sudhoff, Board Chair

Rob Britt, Secretary