

OFFICIAL  
MINUTES OF THE BLOUNT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Blount County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Thursday, December 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the John P. Davis, Jr. Boardroom at the Central Office.

Dr. Steve Moser opened the meeting with prayer. Dru Williams, an 8th grade student at Heritage Middle School, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of the Board is as follows:

Mr. Chris Cantrell	Absent
Mr. Jim Compton	Present
Mr. Charles Finley	Present
Mr. Trevis Gardner	Absent
Dr. Don McNelly	Present
Mr. Mike Treadway	Present
Mr. Rob Webb	Absent

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

PARCC Technology Readiness Report

Dr. John Dalton

SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS

- Art Gallery-students from Montvale Elementary School
- Art Showcase-students from Lanier and Montvale Elementary Schools
- Boardroom-students from Lanier Elementary

REPORTS

1. Report from the Director of Schools

None

2. Personnel – Mr. David Murrell

The Personnel Report stands approved as submitted

3. Report from the Executive Committee

a) Approval of a request from Chris Clift, teacher at Heritage High School, to take Choral Department to All-East

Choir in Greenville, TN on November 21-22, 2013

b) Approval of Bus Contract Changes:

- School Bus Contract #35-Jim Shope, current owner, be changed to Huffman Bus, Inc. effective 11/11/13
- School Bus Contract #25-Jim Shope ,current owner, be changed to Huffman Bus, Inc. effective 11/11/13
- School Bus Contract #81-Jim Shope, current owner, be changed to Richard Pass effective 11/11/13
- School Bus Contract #64-Jim Shope, current owner, be changed to Richard Pass effective 11/11/13
- School Bus Contract #13- Jim Shope, current owner, be changed to Richard Pass effective 11/11/13
- School Bus Contract #1- Jim Shope, current owner, be changed to Richard Pass effective 11/11/13

Motion to approve Executive Committee Report by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Compton

Vote: 4-0 Passed

#### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda for December 5, 2013, Regular Meeting
2. Approval of Minutes for November 7, 2013, Regular Meeting
3. Approval of TRIPS
  - A request from John Gallagher, Chris Clift, Clint Juday, and Russell McCurdy, teachers at Heritage High School, Heritage Middle School, and Eagleton Middle School, to take 7th-10th grade students to New York City on March 13-17, 2014
  - A request from Betsy Tillett and Susan Kochl, teachers at Carpenters Middle School, to take Student Council to Atlanta, GA on March 13-14, 2014
  - A request from Bill Duncan, Lee Martin, and Neal Leatherwood, teachers at Heritage High School, to take Boys' Basketball Team to Gibson County Tournament at Gibson County High School, in Milan, TN on December 27-30, 2013
  - A request from Chris Clift, teacher at Heritage High School, to take Choral Department to All-State Choir in Memphis, TN on April 9-12, 2014
  - A request from Chris Clift, teacher at Heritage High School, to take Choral Department to Festivals of Music Competition and Six Flags in Atlanta, GA on April 25-27, 2014
  - A request from John Gallagher, teacher at Heritage High School to take 7th-12th grade band students to Walland Elementary School to work on color guard activities on December 6-7, 2013
  - A request from Jerilyn Myers, Sandra Pitt, Tarrah Green, Robert Glen, and Brenda Nichols, teachers at Walland Elementary School, to take 5th grade students to Tremont on January 8-10, 2014

- Approval of a request from Alicia Lail, principal at Union Grove Middle School, to take 6th-8th grade students to Jump Jam in Knoxville, TN date undetermined
- 4. Approval of a request from Carol Chastain, principal at Rockford Elementary School to hold their annual in-school basketball game between staff and teachers on December 17, 2013
- 5. Approval of Editorial Policy Changes Mr. Trevis Gardner
  - Policy 5.105-Recruitment of Employees Vacancies/Transfers
  - Policy 4.606-Graduation Activities
  - Policy 1.407-School Board and District Records
- 6. Approval of Non-Faculty, Paid Coaches
  - Kevin Houser-William Blount High School-Baseball
- 7. Approval of Non-Faculty, Non-Paid Coaches
  - Dave Thomas-William Blount High School-Track
  - Jeff Ridenour-Union Grove Middle School-Boys' Basketball
  - Michelle Johnson-Heritage High School-Swimming
- 8. Approval of Bus Mileage Change
  - Bus #28-three (3) additional miles on afternoon route-from 50.3 miles to 53.3 miles
 Mr. Stan Burnette
- 9. Approval of FY 2013-2014 student activity fund budgets Mr. Troy Logan

Motion to approve Consent Agenda and Agenda by Mr. Compton  
 Seconded by Mr. Finley  
 Vote 4-0 Passed

AGENDA:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the 2014-2015-School Calendar Mr. Chris Cantrell

The proposed 2014-2015 School Calendar comes as a recommendation from the Calendar Committee.

Motion to approve by Mr. Compton  
 Seconded by Mr. Finley  
 Vote: 4-0 Passed

2. Discussion and possible action regarding bus transportation for December 18, 2013 and March 14, 2014 Dr. Don McNelly  
 Mr. Britt stated, due to the short timeframe, there would not be enough bus drivers/ substitutes to run buses on December 18th. He does recommend buses run on

March 14, 2014.

Motion to approve Mr. Britt's recommendation that buses run on March 14, 2014 by Mr. Compton

Seconded by Mr. Treadway

Vote: 4-0 Passed

3. Discussion and possible action regarding adopting the Capital Improvement List as a high priority need

Mr. Rob Britt

This item died for lack of a motion.

No action taken.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding BYOT Proposal-Procedures Mr. Trevis Gardner

Motion to approve by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Treadway

Vote: 4-0 Passed

5. Discussion and possible action regarding Policy 6.312-Use of Personal Communication Devices in School Mr. Trevis Gardner

Motion to approve on first reading by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Compton

Vote: 4-0 Passed

6. Discussion and possible action regarding Budget Transfers Mr. Troy Logan

Motion to approve Budget Transfers (a-e) by Mr. Treadway

Seconded by Mr. Finley

Vote: 4-0 Passed

(a)

Account Number	Account Name	Increase	Decrease
141-072620-500399	Other Contracted Services		20,000
141-072620-500712	HVAC Equipment	5,000	
141-072620-500499	Other Supplies & Materials		25,000

(b)

Account Number	Account Name	Increase	Decrease
141-076100-500499	Other Supplies & Materials		20,000
141-076100-500709	Data Processing Equipment		20,000

(c)

Account Number	Account Name	Increase	Decrease
141-071600-500133	Paraprofessionals	3,411	

141-071600-500429	Instructional Supplies	4,489	
141-071600-500116	Teachers	6,000	
141-071600-500399	Other Contracted Services		500
141-071600-500709	Data Processing Equipment		1,400

(d)

Account Number	Account Name	Increase	Decrease
141-072260-500162	Clerical Personnel	1,000	
141-072260-500201	Social Security	50	
141-072260-500204	State Retirement		50
141-072260-500599	Other Charges		1,000

(e)

Account Number	Account Name	Increase	Decrease
146-073300-500499	Other supplies	4,600	
146-073300-500790	Other Equipment		4,600

7. Discussion and possible action regarding Budget Increase/Decrease  
Troy Logan

Mr.

Account Number	Account Name	Increase	Inc(Dec)
141-072260-500524	In-service/Prof Development		9,009
141-000000-445700	Contributions & Gifts		(10,325)
141-000000-469800	Other State Grants		26,164
141-000000-471200	Adult Basic Ed Federal		(6,830)

Motion to approve Budget Increase/Decrease by Mr. Treadway  
Seconded by Mr. Finley  
Vote: 4-0 Passed

8. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of use of designated school capital funds for both high schools' tracks and WBHS gym bleachers

Mr. Gary Farmer

Motion to approve by Mr. Treadway  
Seconded by Mr. Finley  
Vote: 4-0 Passed

## COMMENTS FROM THE BLOUNT COUNTY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Grady Caskey, BCEA President, addressed the Board.

## COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Samantha Garcia, HHS Representative, presented information on the 'Breakfast Club', a tutoring program at Heritage. Brianna Walker, WBHS Representative, invited the Board to see their production of 'Yes, Virginia, There Is a Santa Clause'.

There were no Committee Reports.

There were no Comments from the Community Regarding Items not on the Agenda.

There were no Comments from the Board.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Treadway

Vote: 4-0 Passed

Meeting Adjourned

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Dr. Don McNelly, Chairman

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Mr. Rob Britt, Secretary