

MINUTES OF THE THOMAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN REGULAR SESSION,
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairman NeSmith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Johnny Bannister, Charles Evans, Mark NeSmith, Kay Streets and Frank Warr.

2. DEVOTIONAL

Dr. Kathy Keown, principal from Thomas County Middle School, gave the devotional.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Bannister made a motion, with a second by Ms. Streets, to approve the consent agenda (attachment A), which included agenda; minutes of November 13, 2012; out-of-district students; and fund-raising activities. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

a. Recognition of out-going board member – Vice-Chairman NeSmith, on behalf of the board, recognized Board Member Frank Warr and thanked him for his years of service on the board.

b. Recognition of retiring employees - Retirees Ronnie Stephens and Eugene Brooks were recognized for their years of service to the school system and presented a certificate of appreciation. The board also had a certificate of appreciation for Sue Hughes, who was not in attendance.

c. Bishop Hall graduation – Dr. Kornegay informed the board that graduation for Bishop Hall would be December 20 at 6:30 p.m.

d. Presentation of 2013-2014 calendar – The 2013-2014 school calendar (attachment B) was presented to the board.

e. Presentation of tentative meeting dates for 2013 – Dr. Kornegay presented a schedule of tentative board meeting dates for 2013 and stated that approval would be at the January 15 meeting.

f. Presentation of calendar for FY2014 budget development – Dr. Kornegay presented the FY2014 budget development calendar (attachment C).

g. School board Christmas dinner – Dr. Kornegay reminded board members of the Christmas dinner at the high school on December 18.

h. School board training & retreat - Dr. Kornegay informed the board that the tentative date for the board training and retreat is January 26, 2013, 8:30 – 3:30.

i. Revision of Property Sales (DFN) policy - Dr. Kornegay stated that the change in policy DFN deals with disposition of surplus property.

j. Facilities updates – Mr. John Hebron, director of facilities, updated the board on projects in the school system.

k. Financial report - Mr. Joey Holland, director of finance, explained the financial report (attachment D).

l. Update on GSBA board policy revision process – Mr. Lee Bailey, assistant superintendent for operations, informed the board of Georgia School Boards Association's process for updating and revising the school system's policy manual.

m. Groundbreaking on Thomas County Middle School Career/Science addition – Dr. Kornegay announced the groundbreaking ceremony for the middle school career/science addition will be Wednesday, December 19 at 1:30 p.m.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Approval of revision of Student Discipline policy (JD) – Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Ms. Streets, to approve the revision of the student discipline policy (attachment E). The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Approval of revised SPLOST allocations – Mr. Bannister moved to approve revised SPLOST allocations (attachment F). Mr. Warr seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.

b. Approval of food/warehouse bids for school nutrition department – Mr. Bannister moved, with a second by Ms. Streets, to approve the school nutrition bids (attachment G). The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

c. Approval of resolution to declare surplus property – Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Mr. Warr, to approve the surplus property resolution (attachment H). The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

d. Approval of construction bid for middle school addition – Mr. Bannister made a motion, with a second by Mr. Evans, to approve the bid (attachment I) for the middle school career/science addition. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

e. Approval of amended cafeteria plan document – Dr. Kornegay explained the need to change the cafeteria plan was because of federal regulations for the FSA and also because of changing plan administrators. Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Mr. Warr, to approve the amended cafeteria plan (attachment J). The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

f. Approval of personnel report – Mr. Bannister moved to approve the personnel report (attachment K). Mr. Evans seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Evans made a motion for the board to go into executive session (attachment L) to consult with attorneys regarding litigation. Mr. Warr seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.

Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Mr. Bannister, to end the executive session. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evans moved to adjourn. Ms. Streets seconded the motion, with unanimous approval of the motion.

Chairman

Secretary