

MINUTES OF THE THOMAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN REGULAR SESSION,
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Charles Evans, Derwood Hickey, Nancy Hiers, Scott Morgan, Mark NeSmith, and Kay Streets.

2. DEVOTIONAL

Ms. Julia Winter, teacher at Bishop Hall and CrossRoads, gave the devotional.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Hiers made a motion, with a second by Mr. Evans, to approve the consent agenda (attachment A), which included agenda; minutes of January 15, 2013; January 29, 2013; and February 2, 2013; out of district students and fundraising activities. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Resolution to declare February Career Technical Education month – Mr. NeSmith moved to approve the resolution (attachment B) to declare February as Career Technical Education Month. Mr. Hickey seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board. Students in Career Technical classes from Thomas County Middle School and Thomas County Central High School were recognized at the meeting.
- b. Presentation of revised policies in section G and resolution to adopt revisions to policy G – Mr. Lee Bailey, assistant superintendent, presented revised policies in section G and a draft resolution to adopt the policies. Approval of the policies and the resolution would be requested at the March meeting.
- c. Financial report and budget development update - Mr. Joey Holland, finance director, explained the financial report (attachment C) and said the approval of the amended budget would be requested in March after receiving more information from the state.
- d. Receipt of letter of intent from Challenge Charter Academy to petition for a charter - Dr. Kornegay informed the board of an intent to petition for a charter school and stated the need to develop a policy to address the request.
- e. Board Member Appreciation Week lunch, TCMS, March 20, 2013– Dr. Kornegay informed the board of an invitation from Thomas County Middle School for lunch during Board Member Appreciation week.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Approval of resolution to add new charter school building to five-year facility plan - Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Ms. Hiers, to approve the resolution (attachment D) to add the Bishop Hall Charter School building to the five-year facility plan. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.
- b. Approval of resolution to “re-commission” old gym and CrossRoads building for state facilities plan purposes - Ms. Streets moved, with a second by Ms. Hiers, to approve the resolution (attachment E) to “re-commission” the old gym and CrossRoads building for state facilities plan purposes. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.
- c. Approval of resolution to adopt revised policies and to rescind redundant, obsolete and unneeded policies in section A-F - Mr. NeSmith made a motion to approve the resolution (attachment F) to adopt revised policies and to rescind redundant, obsolete and unneeded policies in section A-F. Ms. Streets seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.

d. Approval of joint resolution with Thomasville City Schools to share title ad valorem taxes based upon student enrollment - Mr. Hickey moved, with a second by Ms. Streets, to approve the resolution (attachment G) with Thomasville City Schools to share title ad valorem taxes based on student enrollment. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

e. Approval of SPLOST III budget and spending priorities – Mr. Evans moved to approve the SPLOST III budget and spending priorities (attachment H). Ms. Streets seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Emergency approval of new board policy IBB: Charter Schools – Ms. Hiers moved, with a second by Ms. Streets, to waive the current charter school policy, which requires a two week waiting period for policy approval, so an emergency policy could be approved. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

Ms. Streets made a motion for emergency approval of policy IBB (attachment I), Charter Schools. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.

b. Executive session to meet with attorney on pending litigation and personnel - Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Ms. Hiers, for the board to go into executive session (attachment J) to meet with the school system attorney regarding pending litigation and personnel. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

The board went into executive session and discussed the pending litigation but there was no discussion on personnel.

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

c. Personnel report – Mr. NeSmith moved, with a second by Mr. Evans, to approve the personnel report (attachment K). The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Ms. Streets, to adjourn. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Chairman

Secretary