

MINUTES OF THE THOMAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN REGULAR SESSION,
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. DEVOTIONAL

Mrs. Ronnell Watson, bookkeeper at Cross Creek School, gave the devotional.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman Morgan called for nominations for chairman. Mr. Evans nominated Ms. Streets as chair. Chairman Morgan nominated Mark NeSmith. Chairman Morgan called for a vote for Ms. Streets as chair. The motion carried with the following members voting for approval: Mr. Evans, Mr. Hickey, Ms. Hiers and Ms. Streets. Since a majority voted for Ms. Streets, she was declared to be the chair.

After being elected as chair, Ms. Streets took over the meeting and nominated Mr. Evans as vice-chairman. Ms. Hiers provided the second, and the motion carried with the following members voting for approval: Mr. Dawson, Mr. Hickey, Ms. Hiers and Ms. Streets.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Evans moved to approve the consent agenda (attachment A) which included the agenda; December 10 minutes; meeting schedule, fundraising requests and out-of-district students. Mr. Hickey seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Bishop Hall Charter renewal process update – Dr. Kornegay informed the board of the Bishop Hall charter renewal being presented for approval at the state board of education on January 16.
- b. Update on GHSA reclassification process – Dr. Kornegay explained the reclassification appeal that was granted the school system by Georgia High School Association.
- c. Revision of FY2015 budget calendar – Dr. Kornegay said there was a typographical error on the budget calendar for the January workshop. He explained that the meeting should be on January 28.
- d. January 28, 2014, workshop – The next meeting of the board will be a workshop meeting on January 28.
- e. Financial Report – Mr. Joey Holland, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations, explained the financial report (attachment B).

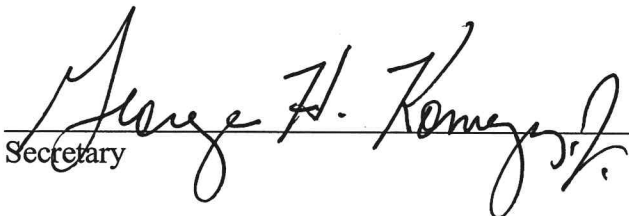
6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approval of time, date and place of board meetings for 2014 – Mr. Hickey moved to approve the time, date and place of board meetings (attachment C) for 2014. Mr. Morgan seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.
- b. Approval of amended 403(b) plan document (volunteer retirement plan) - Mr. Holland explained that the change in the 403(b) plan document is to accept the suggestion of the company administering the plan to have an auto enrollment for new hires making a minimum of \$25,000, unless the employee

- opts out. Mr. NeSmith moved, with a second by Mr. Evans, to approve the amended 403(b) plan document (attachment D). The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.
- c. Amend benefits plan document (cafeteria plan) to update Flexible Spending Account regulations – Mr. Holland explained the change in the Flexible Spending Account would allow employees the option of rolling over \$500 of their pre-tax money in the FSA account to the following year. Mr. Morgan moved, with a second by Mr. NeSmith, to approve the amended cafeteria plan document (attachment E).
 - d. Approval for Bishop Hall board members to travel to Atlanta to meet with the charter school committee of the State BOE and attend State BOE meeting – Mr. Morgan moved to approve the charter school committee to attend the state BOE meeting January 15 & 16, 2014. Mr. Hickey seconded the motion, with unanimous approval of the motion.
 - e. Executive session for personnel – Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Mr. Dawson, for the board to go into executive session (attachment F). The board voted unanimous approval of the motion. Mr. Morgan moved to end the executive session. Mr. Hickey seconded the motion, with unanimous approval by the board.
 - f. Approval of personnel report – Mr. Morgan moved, with a second by Mr. Evans, to approve the personnel report (attachment G), along with the addition of the retirement of Michial Mayhall. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Mr. Morgan, to adjourn. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.


Secretary


Chairman