

Thomas County Board of Education
Minutes
February 13, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Voting Members

Mr. Derwood Hickey, Chair
Mr. David Dawson, Vice Chair
Mr. Charles Evans, Board Member
Ms. Nancy Hiers, Board Member
Mr. Mark NeSmith, Board Member
Mr. Dan Stewart, Board Member
Mrs. Kay Streets, Board Member

Non-Voting Members

Mrs. Carol Gerald, Administrative Assistant
Mr. Joey Holland, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations
Dr. George Kornegay, Superintendent
Dr. Lisa Williams, Associate Superintendent

I. Call to Order

Chairman Hickey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all members present except Mark NeSmith and he was on teleconference.

II. Devotional - Holli Rossi, Teacher at Hand-In-Hand

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

- A. Agenda
- B. Minutes: January 9, January 11, and January 23
- C. Bishop Hall minutes: November 16
- D. Upcoming meetings: March 13 regular meeting
- E. Fundraising requests
- F. HB 91 graduates
- G. Out-of-district students

Motion made by: Mr. Mr. David Dawson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Hiers

Voting: Unanimously Approved

IV. Public participation

Chairman Hickey called on Mr. Myron Guyton to address the board.

Mr. Guyton said he was representing a group of concerned citizens and offered assistance in helping with anything in the African American Community that the school system needs help with such as test scores, SAT scores, honors programs and also increasing the graduation rate. He said they would like more attention on bringing more African American teachers to the school system.

V. Superintendent's Report

- A. Diversity report and plan - Dr. Kornegay and Dr. Williams
Dr. Kornegay and Dr. Williams presented a report and plan on diversity. The report included comparisons of demographics for all Thomas County Schools, Thomasville City Schools and the state of Georgia. The report also included graduation rates between the two school systems and the state; how demographics and the graduation rate had changed in Thomas County since 2010; and how demographics for faculty and staff had changed since 2010. Dr. Williams presented a draft of the Strategic Plan for Diversity and Equity which is made up the Mission Statement, Core Beliefs, Vision Statement and Goals and Strategies.
- B. Draft of March 13 regular meeting agenda
- C. School Board Appreciation: March 12-16
Dr. Kornegay informed board members of an invitation they will be receiving to read to elementary students or to visit a school during School Board Appreciation Week, March 12-16.
- D. Delegate and alternate for GSBA Delegate Assembly
Dr. Kornegay said that the board will be asked to appoint a delegate and an alternate for the Georgia School Boards Association Delegate Assembly at an upcoming meeting.
- C. Financial report - Dr. Kornegay explained the financial report.

VI. New Business

- A. FCA lease agreement
Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans
Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- B. Resolutions with Georgia Office of Treasury for investment accounts
Motion made by: Ms. Nancy Hiers
Motion seconded by: Ms. Dan Stewart
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- C. Pathways/GNES resolution
Motion made by: Mrs. Kay Streets
Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Hiers
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- D. Personnel report including administrative appointments for 2018-2019
Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans
Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart
Voting: Unanimously Approved

VII. Adjournment

- Motion made by: Mr. Charles Evans
Motion seconded by: Mr. Dan Stewart
Voting: Unanimously Approved

The meeting was adjourned by 7:40 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary