

The Monroe County Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria at Sequoyah High School. The following nine board members were present: Dr. Larry Stein, Chairman, Mr. Steve Rogers, Vice Chariman, Ms. Jo Cagle, Mrs. Marsha Standridge, Mr. Jerry Snyder, Mrs. Janie Harrill, Dr. Bob Lovingood, Mr. Dewitt Upton, Ms. Sonya Lynn.

Item No. 1. Mr. Steve Rogers made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder to approve the May 7, 2015 agenda with the following amendments: Add to the Consent Agenda the following: Sweetwater High School donation request, Coker Creek Elementary donation request, Madisonville Middle School Use of Facilities Request, Jo Cagle request to address the Board, Dr. Bob Lovingood request to address the Board. Remove from the agenda the following: 5-7-13. Application for Special Courses, 5-7-16. Naming of Tellico Plains Jr. High Football Field, 5-7-17. Amnesty Boxes, Marsha Standridge. Motion passed.

Item No. 2. The Director of Schools recognized the following: Sequoyah High School Color Guard, Educational Talent 1<sup>st</sup> Place Academic Bowl Team, Monroe County Board of Education in support of Imagination Library, Randy Echols, Guidance Counselor at Vonore Middle School.

Item No. 3. All Board Members acknowledged any relatives working for the system.

Item No. 4. Mrs. Janie Harrill made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle to approve the following Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting on April 9, 2015
  2. Madisonville Middle School – request to accept a donation of \$100.00 from Volunteer Federal for TVA Partners in Education Golf Tournament
  3. Tellico Plains Elementary – request to accept a \$265.73 donation from School Mall Program
  4. Coker Creek Elementary – request to accept a \$500.00 donation from the Coker Creek Ruritan Club for student snacks
  5. Sweetwater High School – Request to accept the following donations:
    - a. \$130.00 anonymous donation for Special Olympics banner and shirts
    - b. Carpet, glue and paint from Home Depot for boys baseball locker room
    - c. \$100.00 from Sweetwater Merchants & Property Owners Association, Inc. for Drama Club
    - d. \$1,000.00 from Kimberly Clark for Cross Country/Track expenses
    - e. \$300.00 from the City of Sweetwater for Zoo Crew T-shirts
    - f. \$300.00 from John Ridgell for Vocal Music Class
    - g. \$2,500 for Quarterback Club for Premier Camp (cheerleading)
    - h. Request to use Madisonville Middle School – Monroe County Boys & Girls Club on May 26, 2015
  6. Request to use Madisonville Intermediate School – Hiwassee Church of God, May 16, 2015
- Approval of Executive Committee Action on the following:
7. Request to use Sequoyah High School – Monroe County Boxing Club on April 25, 2015
  8. Request to use Rural Vale Elementary – Tellico Dixie Youth Baseball, April 2015 – July 2015
  9. Request to use Madisonville Intermediate School – Madisonville Athletic Club, April 2015 – May 2015
  10. Request to use Vonore Middle School – Vonore Youth Sports, April 2015 – May 2015
  11. Request to use Tellico Plains Elementary – Compassion Ministry on May 2, 2015 for food distribution to needy families

Motion passed.

Item No. 5. Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, second by Mrs. Janie Harrill to approve the May Budget Amendments. Motion passed. EXHIBIT I

Item No. 6. Dr. Bob Lovingood made a motion, second by Ms. Sonya Lynn to approve the following policies for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading:

1. SBP 5.114 Employee Internet Postings & Social Media Policy
2. SBP 5.116 Ethics
3. SBP 5.600 Staff Rights and Responsibilities
4. SBP 3.404 Private Vehicles
5. SBP 4.302 Field Trips/Excursions/Competitions
6. SBP 6.601 Student Records Annual Notification of Rights
7. SBP 2.400 Revenues
8. SBP 6.4001 Student Surveys, Analyses and Evaluation
9. SBP 4.601 Reporting Student Progress

Motion passed.

Item No. 7. The Director informed the Board of the results of the survey requested were 80% to begin board meetings at 6:00 p.m. and 20% to remain at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Janie Harrill made a motion, second by Mr. Steve Rogers to amend SBP 1.400 Board Meetings to state that board meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. After some discussion the motion was recinded and SBP 1.400 was tabled to the Policy Committee for review.

Item No. 8. Mr. Terry Harris, Transportation & Maintenance Director appeared before the board and recommend that start times for Vonore schools and Sequoyah High School remain at 8:15 a.m. and the remaining Madisonville Schools be changed to 8:15 a.m. the remainder of schools would continue to start at 8:00 a.m. Mr. Steve Rogers made a motion, second by Mrs. Janie Harrill to accept the recommendation of the Transportation Director after some discussion the motion and second were withdrawn and start times were tabled to the Policy Committee for review.

Item No. 9. The State of the School presentation was given by Mrs. Angie Kyle, Principal at Madisonville Primary School.

Item No. 10. Ms. Sonya Lynn made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle to approve an out of state field trip request from Coker Creek Elementary to travel Lake Winnie on May 11, 2015. Motion passed.

Item No. 11. Mr. Steve Rogers made a motion, second by Mrs. Marsha Standridge to approve the following policies for 1<sup>st</sup> reading:

1. SBP 1.700 School District Goals
2. SBP 3.210 Naming of Facilities

SBP 3.206 was pulled and sent back to the Policy Committee to include the statement "no mandatory practices on Sundays". Motion passed.

Item No. 12. Dr. Bob Lovingood made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle to approve the 2015 – 2016 Contract with Grace Rehabilitation Center, Inc. for Special Education Services. Motion passed.  
EXHIBIT II

Item No. 13. Dr. Bren Raper and Mr. Mark Taylor, Valic Representative appeared before the Board to requesting approval of and to explain how the Monroe County Education Foundation would work and

benefit to Monroe County Schools. Mr. DeWitt Upton made a motion, second by Dr. Bob Lovingood to approve the Monroe County Education Foundation. Motion passed.

Item No. 14. Mr. Steve Rogers made a motion, second by Mrs. Marsha Standridge to approved the FY16 Federal Programs ePlan Consolidated Application. Motion passed.

Item No. 15. Dr. Bob Lovingood presented the Five Year Plan on behalf of the committee for approval. Dr. Lovingood also suggested that with the growing numbers at Sequoyah High School he would like the Board to consider possibly adding a new Vonore High School to the Five Year Plan in future years. After much discussion Mr. Steve Rogers made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle to approve the Five Year Plan as originally presented. Motion passed. EXHIBIT III

Item No. 16. Mrs. Kathy Smith appeared before the Board to inform them that the Five Points Program would now be at no cost to the school system and only need their approval to begin the program. Dr. Bob Lovingood made a motion, second by Mrs. Janie Harrill to proceed with the Five Points Program as presented at no cost to the school system. Motion passed.

Item No. 17. Mr. Terry Harris, Transportation & Maintenance Director appeared before the board to request the elimination of one (1) Tellico Plains route from Sloan Bus Lines (bus # 44 route) with a savings to the school system of \$35,000.00. Mr. Steve Rogers made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder to eliminate the route as presented to the board. Motion passed.

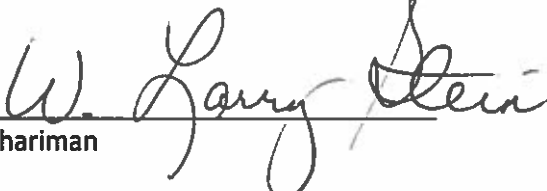
Item No. 18. Ms. Jo Cagle and Dr. Bob Lovingood addressed the board concerning graduation at Sequoyah High School.

Item No. 19. The Director of Schools reported on the following: current budget 2014-2015, possibly closing the Monroe Academy he will get the opinions of high school principals, the 2015-2016 budget will be ready before the June board meeting for review.

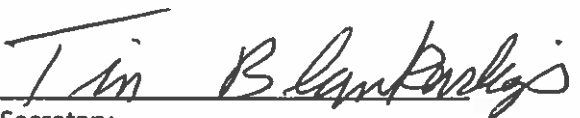
Item No. 20. Dr. Larry Stein proposed to the board the possibility of forming a Contract Committee to work on developing a new contract for the Director of Schools. The current contract ends at the end of the 2015-2016 school year. The proposed committee would work on a 4 year contract that would begin possibly July 1, 2015. Dr. Larry Stein, Mr. Steve Rogers and Mrs. Janie Harrill all volunteered to be on the committee.

Item No. 21. The Chairman reminded of the board of the following: high school graduation dates for the coming week, Policy Committee Meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup> and Summer Law Institute registration.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

  
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