

The Monroe County Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, November 12, 2015 in the board room at the Central Office. The following nine board members were present: Dr. Larry Stein, Chairman, Mrs. Janie Harrill, Vice Chairman, Ms. Jo Cagle, Mr. Jerry Snyder, Mr. Steve Rogers, Mrs. Marsha Standridge, Dr. Jason Miller, Mr. DeWitt Upton and Ms. Sonya Lynn.

Item No. 1. Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle, to add the following items to the November 12, 2015 regular agenda: Recognition of Clara Moses, Cafeteria Manager at Rural Vale Elementary; move the State of the School Presentations to the end of the meeting; Add to the Consent Agenda – Request to use Tellico Plains High School on December 5, 2015; Add to New Business – Phillip Carroll, Maintenance Director, request to sale as surplus or scrap the attached list of items and Fuel Fleet Card for BOE Vehicles; Maurice Moser, Transportation Director, request permission to sale three (3) special education buses. Motion passed.

Item No. 2. Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, second by Ms. Sonya Lynn to approve the November 12, 2015 regular agenda as amended. Motion passed.

Item No. 3. The Chairman read the Declaration of Conflict and board members swore any vote made would be in the best interest of the school system regardless of the effect on any relative employed.

Item No. 4. Mrs. Janie Harrill made a motion, second by Mrs. Marsha Standridge to approve the minutes from the October 8, 2015 regular board meeting. Motion passed.

Item No. 5. The Director of Schools recognized the following: Mrs. Clara Moses, Cafeteria Manager at Rural Vale Elementary for performing life saving act and Tellico Plains High School for receiving the A. F. Bridges Award of Excellence from TSSAA.

Item No. 6. Ms. Jo Cagle made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder, to approve the follow Consent Agenda:

1. Coker Creek Elementary, request to accept the following donations:
  - \$500.00 from APH Textile Supplies, LLC
  - \$500.00 from Greta Murphy
  - \$1,000.00 from Wayne & Laverta Peels
2. Vonore Middle School, request to accept the following donations:
  - \$155.00 Anonymous Donation
  - \$500.00 from JTEKT
3. Request from Sarah Amos, Title I teacher at Vonore Elementary to retire and surplus 14 computers from the Title I Inventory at Vonore Elementary (see attached list).
4. Sweetwater High School, request to accept a \$175.00 donation from New Weigh.
5. Coker Creek Elementary – Approval of the following Volunteer Coaches

Michael Stone – Volunteer Assistant Basketball Coach

Chasity Stone – Volunteer Cheerleading Coach

6. Sequoyah High School Virtual Enterprise Class, request to accept the following donations:
  - \$100.00 Bert's Hometown Grill
  - \$50.00 Sloan's of Vonore
  - \$125.00 State Farm, Pat Pennington
  - \$100.00 Vonore Dental
7. Overnight Field Trip Request – Sequoyah High School Virtual Enterprise Class, Midwest Regional Trade Fair Competitions in Pigeon Forge, November 21 -24, 2015
8. Request to use Tellico Plains High School for an Appreciation Event for Coach John Mullinix on December 5, 2015, Jo Cagle

**Executive Committee Action on the following:**

9. Request to use Madisonville Middle School October 31, 2015 and January and February of 2016 - Vicki Hawkins, Upward Bound
10. Request to use Madisonville Primary School on October 24, 2015 – Monroe County Rescue Squad
11. Request from Tellico Plains Jr. High Basketball to play 3 games in one week – November 9<sup>th</sup>, November 10<sup>th</sup> and November 12<sup>th</sup>.

Motion passed.

Item No. 8. Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, second by Ms. Sonya Lynn to approve the November Budget Amendments. Motion passed. **EXHIBIT I**

Item No. 9. Mrs. Marsha Standridge made a motion, second by Dr. Jason Miller, to approve promotion of a trip open to Sequoyah High School students to Europe, July, 6 – 16, 2015. Motion passed.

Item No. 10. Request from Ruth Valle, teacher at Sweetwater High School for a trip to Guatemala during the 2016-2017 school year. The board requested this item be brought back in August of 2016, no action was taken.

Item No. 11. Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, second by Mr. Steve Rogers, to approve the following policies for 1<sup>st</sup> reading as recommended by the policy committee: SBP 2.802 Payroll Procedures and SBP 5.118 Background Investigations. Motion passed. SBP 5.114 was sent back to the Policy Committee for further review.

Item No. 12. Ms. Jo Cagle made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder to change the March 4, 2016 Staff Development Day to March 1, 2016 due to Super Tuesday. Motion passed.

Item No. 13. Mrs. Janie Evans presented a Dual Enrollment / Manufacturing Cluster with TCAT of Athens. Mr. Steve Rogers made a motion, second by Mrs. Janie Harrill to approve a Dual Enrollment / Manufacturing Cluster with TCAT. Motion passed.

Item No. 14. Mrs. Marsha Standridge addressed the board concerning the Monroe County Education Foundation.

Item No. 15. Mrs. Doris Matthews, Board Attorney discussed bus service in the Lacey Acres Subdivision due to the road condition and wear and tear on the bus providing service. Mrs. Matthews recommended to the board to discontinue bus service in the subdivision to 2/10<sup>th</sup> of a mile or to the turn around. Ms. Janie Harrill made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder to approve the recommendation as presented by Mrs. Matthews. Motion passed.

Item No. 16. Dr. Larry Stein, Chairman read a resolution to the board concerning classification of buses by the Tennessee Department of Transportation. Mr. Steve Rogers made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder to approve the resolution. Motion passed. **EXHIBIT II**

Item No. 17. Dr. Larry Stein discussed with the board the upcoming Director of Schools performance evaluation. The board agreed to use the same evaluation instrument as they had in the past and to send modified evaluations to the schools for community input from parents, the principals would give these to parents. Mrs. Janie Harrill made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder to use the same evaluation instrument as in the past. Motion passed.

Item No. 18. Mr. Phillip Carroll, Maintenance Director, requested permission from the board to begin the process of using Fuel Fleet Cards to purchase fuel for BOE vehicles and Special Education buses. Mr. Dewitt Upton made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder to approve the request as presented. Motion passed.

Item No. 19. Mr. Phillip Carroll, Maintenance Director, requested permission from the board to sale as surplus or scrap items from the maintenance department.

Item No. 20. Mr. Maurice Moser, Transportation Director, gave an update on relinquished bus routes from Sloan Bus Lines in Sweetwater and Tellico Plains area. He stated that all buses are now running normal routes and things are going well.

Item No. 21. Mr. Maurice Moser, Transportation Director, discussed with the board that Mr. Tommy Curtis has said that he would like to relinquish his Vonore area bus contracts but will continue to run the routes until another contractor is found. Mr. Moser then requested permission to go ahead and bid Vonore routes #42A and #41A as soon as Mr. Curtis turns them in. Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, second by Mrs. Janie Harrill to bid the routes when Mr. Curtis turns them in. Motion passed.

Item No. 22. Mr. Maurice Moser, Transportation Director, requested permission from the board to sell three (3) Special Education Buses, #90, #91 and #93. Ms. Sonya Lynn made a motion, second by Mr. Jerry Snyder to approve the request as presented. Motion passed. The board then discussed replacing the buses Mr. Moser said the used buses would be the best route as far as replacing them at this time. The board asked that Mr. Moser bring back prices when replacements are found.

Item No. 23. Ms. Sonya Lynn discussed Bus Contractor tags and registrations and compared action take with surrounding counties.

Item No. 24. The Director of Schools reported on the following: Attendance is at 93% and current county wide enrollment is 5,553 students. Veterans Day Programs county-wide were great. The Director invited the board to attend Thanksgiving Dinners at the schools in the following weeks.

Mr. Jerry Snyder made a motion, second by Mr. Dewitt Upton to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

W. Larry Stein  
Board Chairman

12/10/15  
Date

Tin Blankenship  
Secretary

12-10-15  
Date

Monroe County Board of Education  
Budget Amendment No: 1112-01  
2015-2016  
141-General Purpose Schools

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the General Purpose Schools

**141-General Purpose Schools**

**To move money with in the Coordinated School Health budget for longevity**

Increase	141-72120-186	Longevity	\$	294.00	
Increase	141-72120-186-CSHP	Longevity	\$	5.00	
Decrease	141-72120-499	Other Supplies			\$ 299.00
			\$	299.00	\$ 299.00

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman 

Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools 

**Monroe County Board of Education**  
**Budget Amendment No: 1112-02**  
**2015-2016**  
**142-Federal Projects**

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the Federal Projects

**142-Federal Projects-121 Focus Grant**  
**To better budget for the Focus Grant for RVES**

Decrease	142-72710-399-121	Other Contracted	\$	7,000.00	
Decrease	142-71100-449-121	Textbooks	\$	6,124.00	
Decrease	142-72210-196-121	In-Service	\$	250.00	
Increase	142-71100-722-121	Regular Instruction Equipment	\$	3,298.00	
Increase	142-71100-201-121	Social Security	\$	1,116.00	
Increase	142-71100-204-121	Retirement	\$	1,627.00	
Increase	142-71100-212-121	Medicare	\$	261.00	
Increase	142-71100-429-121	Instructional Supplies	\$	5,485.00	
Increase	142-72210-201-121	Social Security	\$	589.00	
Increase	142-72210-204-121	Retirement	\$	859.00	
Increase	142-72210-212-121	Medicare	\$	139.00	
			\$	13,374.00	\$ 13,374.00

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman



Monroe County Board of Education  
Budget Amendment No: 1112-03  
2015-2016  
141-General Purpose Schools

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the General Purpose Schools budget

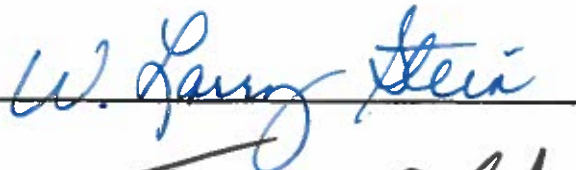
**141- General Purpose Schools Budget**

**To move money to pay for the bus registrations approved at the October School Board meeting**

Decrease	141-72710-729	Equipment	\$	5,000.00
Increase	141-72710-399	Other Contracted Services	\$	5,000.00

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman



Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools



Monroe County Board of Education  
Budget Amendment No: 1112-04  
2015-2016  
141-General Purpose Schools

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the General Purpose Schools budget

**141- General Purpose Schools Budget**


**To move money out of Coordinated School Health Reserve into Coordinated School Health Budget**

Decrease      141-34555-CSHP      Reserve                                      \$    4,000.00

Increase      141-72120-599-CSHP Other Charges                                      \$    4,000.00

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman 

Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools 



Monroe County Board of Education  
 Budget Amendment No: 1112-05  
 2015-2016  
 141-General Purpose Schools

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the General Purpose Schools budget

**141- General Purpose Schools Budget**

**To budget additional money received from the state for the special education department  
 High Cost Money**

Increase	141-47143-HCOST	IDEA Revenue	\$	84,606.54
Increase	141-71200-163	Educational Assistants	\$	10,600.00
	141-71200-171	Speech Pathologists	\$	3,000.00
	141-71200-189	Other Salaries	\$	5,000.00
	141-71200-198	Substitutes	\$	5,000.00
	141-71200-204	Retirement	\$	5,000.00
	141-71200-207	Medical Insurance	\$	8,500.00
	141-71200-310	Contracts	\$	16,000.00
	141-71200-330	Operating Lease Payments	\$	2,390.00
	141-71200-725	Equipment	\$	4,500.00
	141-72220-189	Other Salaries	\$	16,000.00
	141-72220-330	Operating Lease Payments	\$	300.00
	141-72220-336	Maintenance & Repair	\$	316.54
	141-72220-524	Inservice	\$	8,000.00
			\$	84,606.54
			\$	84,606.54

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman *W. Larry Stein*

Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools *Tim Blankenship*

Monroe County Board of Education  
 Budget Amendment No: 1112-06  
 2015-2016  
 142-Federal Projects

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the Federal Projects budget

**142-Federal Projects-IDEA Part B Special Education-901**

To budget carryover money from 14-15 school year into this school year's budget

Increase	142-47143-901	Special Education	\$ 323,407.45	
Increase	142-71200-116-901	Teachers	\$	50,000.00
	142-71200-163-901	Education Assistants	\$	106,000.00
	142-71200-189-901	Other Salaries and Wages	\$	40,100.00
	142-71200-201-901	Social Security	\$	2,000.00
	142-71200-204-901	Retirement	\$	3,000.00
	142-71200-207-901	Medical Insurance	\$	84,000.00
	142-71200-212-901	Medicare	\$	2,200.00
	142-71200-399-901	Other Contracted Services	\$	8,900.00
	142-71200-429-901	Instructional Supplies	\$	4,500.00
	142-71200-725-901	Equipment	\$	2,707.45
	142-72220-124-901	Psychological Personnel	\$	1,500.00
	142-72220-162-901	Clerical Personnel	\$	1,000.00
	142-72220-201-901	Social Security	\$	1,500.00
	142-72220-204-901	Retirement	\$	4,000.00
	142-72220-212-901	Medicare	\$	500.00
	142-72220-355-901	Travel	\$	2,000.00
	142-72220-499-901	Other Supplies	\$	2,500.00
	142-72220-524-901	Inservice/Staff Development	\$	7,000.00
			\$ 323,407.45	\$ 323,407.45

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman W. Larry Stein

Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools Tim Blankenship

**Monroe County Board of Education**  
**Budget Amendment No: 1112-07**  
**2015-2016**  
**142-Federal Projects**

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the Federal Projects budget

**142-Federal Projects- Special Education Preschool-911**

**To budget additional money received from the state for the Special Education Preschool budget**

Increase	142-47145-911	Special Education Pres	\$	2,854.21
Increase	142-71200-163-911	Education Assistants	\$	2,327.00
	142-71200-204-911	Retirement	\$	527.21
			\$	<u>2,854.21</u>
			\$	2,854.21

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman W. Larry Stein

Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools Tim Blankenship

Monroe County Board of Education  
 Budget Amendment No: 1112-08  
 2015-2016  
 142-Federal Projects

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the Federal Projects budget

**142-Federal Projects-Consolidated Admin-010**  
 To budget carry over money from the 2014-2015 school year

Increase	142-49800-010	Transfer in	\$	15,000.00	
Decrease	142-72210-524-010	Inservice	\$	400.00	
Increase	142-72210-105-010	Supervisor	\$	3,100.00	
	142-72210-207-010	Medical Insurance	\$	3,000.00	
	142-72210-330-010	Operating Lease payments	\$	1,000.00	
	142-72210-355-010	Travel	\$	5,000.00	
	142-72210-499-010	Other supplies&Materials	\$	1,300.00	
	142-72210-790-010	Other Equipment	\$	2,000.00	
			\$	15,400.00	\$ 15,400.00

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman W. Larry Stein

Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools Tim Blankenship

Monroe County Board of Education  
 Budget Amendment No: 1112-09  
 2015-2016  
 142-Federal Projects

Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the Federal Projects budget

**142-Federal Projects-Title I-108**

To budget carry over money from the 2014-2015 school year

Increase	142-47141-901	Title I	\$ 453,985.00	
Increase	142-71100-195-108	Substitutes	\$	10,000.00
	142-71100-201-108	Social Security	\$	620.00
	142-71100-212-108	Medicare	\$	145.00
	142-71100-399-108	Other Contracted Services	\$	437,044.00
	142-72130-123-108	Guidence Personnel	\$	136.00
	142-72130-201-108	Social Security	\$	15.00
	142-72130-204-108	Retirement	\$	20.00
	142-72130-212-108	Medicare	\$	5.00
	142-72130-599-108	Other Charges	\$	6,000.00
			\$ 453,985.00	\$ 453,985.00

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman *W. Larry Stein*

Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools *Tim Blankenship*

Monroe County Board of Education  
 Budget Amendment No: 1112-10  
 2015-2016  
 142-Federal Projects

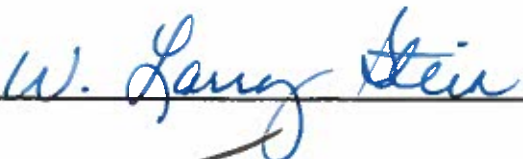
Be it hereby resolved, that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session this 12th day of November 2015 hereby amends as follows the Federal Projects budget

**142-Federal Projects-Title VI-601**

To budget carry over money from the 2014-2015 school year

Increase	142-47148-601	Title VI Rural Ed	\$	66,333.00	
Decrease	142-72210-499-601	Other Supplies	\$	227.00	
Increase	142-71100-198-601	Substitutes	\$	10,000.00	
	142-71100-201-601	Social Security	\$	873.00	
	142-71100-212-601	Medicare	\$	149.00	
	142-71100-399-601	Other Contracted Services	\$	10,000.00	
	142-71100-722-601	Regular Instruction Equipment	\$	4,000.00	
	142-72130-355-601	Travel	\$	12,000.00	
	142-72130-499-601	Other Supplies and Materials	\$	3,000.00	
	142-72130-524-601	Inservice Staff Development	\$	4,650.00	
	142-72210-189-601	Other Salaries and Wages	\$	14,275.00	
	142-72210-201-601	Social Security	\$	885.00	
	142-72210-204-601	Retirement	\$	1,293.00	
	142-72210-207-601	Medical Insurance	\$	5,000.00	
	142-72210-212-601	Medicare	\$	276.00	
	142-72210-299-601	Other Fringe Benefits	\$	159.00	
			\$	66,560.00	\$ 66,560.00

Approved this 12th day of November 2015.

Larry Stein, Board Chairman 

Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools 

**RESOLUTION NO:**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Monroe County Board of Education, meeting in regular session on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015 did move, discuss and unanimously adopt the following resolution, to-wit:

**WHEREAS**, Monroe County Board of Education contracts for bus service, and;

**WHEREAS**, bus contractors are required to purchase commercial tags for their buses, and;

**WHEREAS**, this is a very costly expense to the bus contractors of Monroe County and an extreme hardship;

**WHEREAS**, Monroe County Board of Education supports bus contractors who transport Monroe County students, and;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Monroe County Board of Education requests and encourages our State Representatives to enact legislation that would exempt school buses from the classification of commercial vehicles.

ADOPTED this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015.

Tim Blankenship  
TIM BLANKENSHIP, DIRECTOR  
MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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