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MINUTES

MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 8, 2018

The Monroe County Board of Education met in regular session on February 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the board room at the Central Office. The following nine board members were present: Mrs. Janie Harrill, Chariman, Mrs. Marsha Standridge, Vice Chairman, Ms. Jo Cagle, Mrs. Faye Green, Mrs. Sharon Freeman, Ms. Sonya Lynn, Mr. DeWitt Upton, Dr. Larry Stein and Dr. Jason Miller.

Item No. 1. The Chairman read the Declaration of Conflict, all board members with relatives working for the school system swore that all votes would be made in the best interest of the school system regardless of the effect it would have on the relative.

Item No. 2. The Board recognized Madisonville Middle School students who participated in the State Beta Club Convention in Nashville and also recognized Mrs. Becky Starns and Mr. Pat Dial as LTVEC Teachers of the year.

Item No. 3. The Chairman called for approval of the Consent and Regular Agendas with the following amendments: Pull item # 17 from the consent agenda for discussion; remove from new business Dr. Jason Miller – discussion of SBP 1.806; add to new business Tim Blankenship – City of Madisonville Fire Hall Grant, recommendation to lease property & request to use May 23, 2018 as a make-up day for students, Dr. Jason Miller – discuss 2018-2019 Student Board Representative Committee, Larry Stein – Coker Creek Elementary cost per student analysis, Transportation Committee – recommend awarding bus routes #19 and #20 (relinquished by Adrian Miles) to Kathryn Baker. Mr. Dewitt Upton made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle to approve the agendas as amended.

Item No. 4. Dr. Larry Stein made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle to approve the minutes from the January 11, 2018 regular meeting. Motion passed.

Item No. 5. Ms. Jo Cagle made a motion, second by Dr. Larry Stein to approve the February Budget Amendments. Motion passed.

Item No. 6. Mr. Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools, recommended to the Board pending attorney approval, that the Board proceed with entering into a lease with the City of Madisonville for the construction of a fire hall on Monroe County Board of Education property located at 205 Oak Grove Road, Madisonville. Mrs. Marsha Standridge made a motion, second by Ms. Sonya Lynn, to approve the recommendation as presented by Mr. Blankenship. Motion passed.

Item No. 7. Mr. Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools, requested permission to apply for ROTC classes at Tellico Plains High School for the 2018-2019 school year. Ms. Jo Cagle made a motion, second by Mrs. Sharon Freeman to approve the request as presented. Motion passed.

Item No. 8. Dr. Jason Miller asked the board if they would like to continue having a student board representative after some discussion, Dr. Miller made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle, to continue having a student board representative having the same application process and keeping the same committee members which include, Dr. Jason Miller, Ms. Jo Cagle, Mrs.

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Sharon Freeman, Dr. Larry Stein, Mr. Tim Blankenship, Director of Schools and Mrs. Kristi Windsor, Assistant Director of Schools. Motion passed.

Item No. 9. Ms. Sonya Lynn requested that item # 17, Maintenance Department request to sell a Frame Chain Hoist and a Hobart Portable Flux Mig Welder be pulled from the consent agenda asking why they were selling these items. Ms. Lynn made a motion, second by Mrs. Marsha Standridge to table the item until the March meeting to find out why the items were being sold. Motion passed.

Item No. 10. Mr. Tim Blankenship requested May 23, 2018 be a make-up day for students due to exceeding the 9 built in days due to illness in the schools. Dr. Larry Stein made a motion, second by Ms. Jo Cagle, to approve the request as presented. Motion passed.

Item No. 11. Ms. Sonya Lynn made in the form of a motion, second by Mr. Dewitt Upton, a recommendation on behalf of the Transportation Committee that bus routes #19 and #20 which were relinquished by Mr. Adrian Miles be awarded to Mrs. Kathryn Baker. Motion passed.

Item No 12. Dr. Larry Stein discussed with the board a cost per student analysis comparing Coker Creek Elementary to Madisonville Middle School.

Item No. 13. The Director of Schools reported on the following: The attendance rate has improved daily since returning from closure; two mountain bus routes have been removed due to lack of riders; bid opening for the TPHS Access Road will be Thursday, February 15, 2018; due to closure dates, we have adjusted our report card schedule, report cards for 3<sup>rd</sup> nine weeks will go home with students on April 3, 2018; at a recent TOSS Conference it was announced that BEP money may increase to include more school counselors and RTI instructors.

Item No 14. A State of the School video was presented by Vonore Middle School.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Janie Harrill 3-8-18  
Chairman Date

Tim Blankenship 3-8-18  
Secretary Date