

**RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS**  
(MINUTES)

Fulton, KY, April 15, 2015

The Fulton Independent Board of Education met at the Board of Education Office at 5:30 o'clock P. M. on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015 with the following members present:

- (1) Mrs. Debbie Vaughn, Chair (2) Mr. Bill Robertson, Vice-Chair (3) Mr. Sam Hancock  
(4) Mrs. Carol Bransford (5) Mr. Willie Nicholson

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF  
FULTON INDEPENDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

1. Mrs. Debbie Vaughn, called the Regular Monthly Meeting of Fulton Independent Board of Education to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

2. Mrs. Debbie Vaughn, Mr. Bill Robertson, Mr. Sam Hancock and Mr. Willie Nicholson were present for roll call. Mrs. Bransford was absent.

**SUPERINTENDENT ATTENDANCE**

3. Superintendent Smith was present for the April meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4. With a motion by Mr. Robertson and second by Mr. Hancock, the minutes of the March 26, 2015, Special Called Meeting were approved with a correction to Item# **5 Closed Session**. The correction indicates that Mrs. Bransford made the motion to go into Closed Session, rather than Mrs. Vaughn.

Members voting yes: Mr. Hancock, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

\* Mrs. Bransford arrived at 5:33 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

5. With the recommendation of Superintendent Smith, a motion by Mr. Hancock and second by Mr. Nicholson, the Board accepted the reports and approved action items listed in the consent agenda as follows:

**A. ASAP Moment**

***Governor's Scholars***

Superintendent Smith informed Board Members that three Fulton High School students, Hallie Carter, Tinequa Noonan-Pryor and Caroline Rushing, have been chosen to attend the 2015 Governor's Scholars Program this summer.

***Preschool Report***

Ms. Carol Graves of the Murray Head Start Program, spoke to the Board about the preschool program at Carr Elementary and awarded Board Members, Superintendent Smith, and the

preschool staff with Certificates of Appreciation. Following the presentation, Sarah Townsend, Preschool Director, showed a slideshow of preschool activities, and students presented Board Members with hand-made clipboards and a banner expressing their appreciation.

***Principals' Reports***

Principal Donna Garland and Asst. Principal Sondra Gibbs presented reports on activities and events that took place at Fulton Middle/High School and Carr Elementary over the past month. A few of the events taking place at Carr Elementary were a Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration, Read the Most Coast to Coast literacy program, in which Jennifer Horbelt and Jennifer Rukavina of WPSD came and read to students, mobile dairy farm, PTO parents vs. faculty volleyball game, indoor egg hunt, Nine-Week Referral-Free Celebration and Students of the Month recognition; and at Fulton Middle/High School students participated in a March Madness Obstacle Course, a skype interview with Robin Roberts of Good Morning America, a tour of the Area Technical Center to explore vocational options, a Real Work Program, and attended "The Great Gatsby" at the Carson Center in Paducah, KY.

**B. Enrollment Report**

Board members were presented with the monthly Enrollment Report showing a district enrollment of 372 students at the close of the month eight.

**C. Surplus**

There were no surplus items reported.

**D. Food Service Reports**

Board members reviewed and accepted the monthly Food Service Report outlining the activity in the school cafeterias through February, 2015, as submitted by Ms. Vicki Swift, Food Service Director.

**E. Personnel Report**

Superintendent Smith notified the Board of the following personnel action:

*Leave of Absence:*           Gwen Jenkins, March 27-May 9, 2015  
(Unpaid Medical Leave)

**F. Fund Raiser Requests**

The Board approved the fund raiser request of Fulton High School Cheerleader sponsor, Katie Lane, to hold a bake sale at Fulton Wal-Mart, May 9, 2015, in order to raise money to purchase uniforms.

**G. Grant Information**

There was no new grant information provided.

**H. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

Members voting yes: Mr. Hancock, Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

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**OVERNIGHT TRIP REQUEST**

6. With the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion by Mr. Hancock and second by Mrs. Bransford, the Board approved the Overnight Trip Request of Chris Roberts, Beta Club sponsor, to allow her and Kaitlyn Rogers, to travel to Nashville, TN, July 1-3, 2015, to participate in the National Beta Club science competition.

Members voting yes: Mr. Hancock, Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**MOWING CONTRACT**

7. With the recommendation of Superintendent Smith, a motion by Mr. Hancock and second by Mr. Robertson, the Board approved the extension of the district's lawn care contract with Buck's Lawn Service for the 2015-2016 mowing season.

Members voting yes: Mr. Hancock, Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ORDERS OF THE TREASURER**

8. With a motion by Mr. Robertson and second by Mr. Nicholson, the Board approved the monthly Financial Statement and Claims, and Activity Account Report as presented by Laurie Thorpe, Finance Officer, and Kim Farmer, Activity Account Treasurer.

Members voting yes: Mr. Hancock, Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**CLOSED SESSION**

9. With the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion by Mr. Robertson and second by Mr. Hancock, the Board moved to go into Closed Session at 6:17 p.m., to discuss a student discipline issue, and the Superintendent's Evaluation.

Members voting yes: Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**OPEN SESSION**

10. With the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion by Mrs. Bransford and second by Mr. Hancock, Open Session was resumed at 7:57 p.m.

Members voting yes: Mr. Hancock, Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**STUDENT EXPLUSION**

11. With the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion by Mr. Hancock and second by Mr. Robertson, the Board moved to expel the student reviewed in Closed Session for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year; the student will continue to receive services.

Members voting yes; Mr. Hancock, Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**SUPERINTENDENT'S EVALUATION**

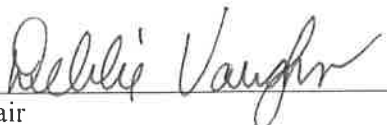
12. Chair Vaughn gave a summary of Superintendent Smith's evaluation by stating that the Board members were happy with the job she was doing, and rated her as Accomplished or Exemplary for all seven Standards (Strategic Leadership, Instructional Leadership, Cultural Leadership, Human Resource Leadership, Managerial Leadership, Collaborative Leadership, Influential Leadership). Under overall comments, it was stated that the Board would like for Mrs. Smith to continue to stay informed, and focus on promoting the school and making decisions that are best for all students. The Superintendent's Evaluation was accepted on a motion by Mrs. Bransford and second by Mr. Robertson.

Members voting yes: Mr. Hancock, Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

**ADJOURNMENT**

13. With a motion by Mr. Hancock and second by Mr. Nicholson, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Members voting yes: Mr. Hancock, Mrs. Bransford, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Vaughn

  
Chair

  
Secretary