

The Effingham County Board of Education met in regular session on November 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Troy K. Alford, F. Lamar Allen, and Vickie Decker. Robert Grant and Beth Helmly were absent.

Vickie Decker opened the meeting with an invocation.

Board members reviewed the agenda. Dr. Randy Shearouse, Superintendent, requested the addition of the ECSD Surplus Technology Request to the Consent Agenda. In a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Vickie Decker, the Surplus Technology Request was added to the Consent Agenda, and the agenda was adopted and unanimously approved.

Board members reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda. In a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford, the Board voted unanimously to approve the attached items on Consent Agenda, which included the Board minutes from the November 7, 2018 Board meeting and the ECSD Surplus Technology Request.

Dr. Randy Shearouse, Superintendent, presented the attached recommendation to approve the 2019 Board meeting dates. After a brief discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed meeting dates with a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Vickie Decker.

Dr. Shearouse presented the recommendation to approve the proposed increase for the School Nutrition Program's adult meal prices. Vickie Decker stated that she agreed to the proposed breakfast price increase from \$1.90 to \$2.25. However, she felt that the proposed lunch price increase from \$3.50 to \$4.25 was excessive and unnecessary. Mrs. Decker suggested that the lunch price could be increased to \$4.00 rather than \$4.25 without negatively affecting the nutrition program's budget. After some discussion, Board members voted unanimously to approve the breakfast increase to \$2.25 and to cap the lunch increase at \$4.00 in a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford,

Dr. Shearouse presented the attached consideration for additional elementary school teachers and support staff positions. He stated that the mid-year request for additional employees stems from increased student enrollment since the start of the school year as well as the upcoming availability of graduating student teachers. In a motion by Troy K. Alford and a motion by Vickie Decker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request for additional teacher and support staff positions.

Dr. Shearouse presented the attached 11/15/18 Board Action list. In a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendations as noted on the attached Board Action list.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20pm with a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Vickie Decker.

F. Lamar Allen, Board Chair

Dr. Randy Shearouse, Superintendent