

The Effingham County Board of Education met in regular session on January 10, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: F. Lamar Allen, Robert Grant, Troy K. Alford, Vickie Decker and Beth Helmly.

Troy K. Alford opened the meeting with an invocation.

The agenda was adopted.

The board voted unanimously to approve the attached item on the Consent Agenda with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Robert Grant. The Consent Agenda included: Board minutes from the December 13, 2017 board meeting.

Dr. Shearouse called for nominations for the position of Board Chair. Robert Grant nominated F. Lamar Allen with a second by Beth Helmly. Dr. Shearouse called for any other nominations, and with none, he moved to close nominations. Unanimous vote. The Superintendent called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair. Vickie Decker nominated Troy K. Alford with a second by Robert Grant. Dr. Shearouse called for any other nominations, and with none, he moved to close nominations. Unanimous vote.

Finance Director Ron Wilson addressed the attached November 2017 financial report. A motion was made to approve the financial report by Vicki Decker and seconded by Beth Helmly. Unanimous vote.

Superintendent Shearouse addressed the attached Monthly Board Report

Joe Tallent provided an update on the Telemedicine program used currently at Springfield Elementary and Guyton Elementary and advised that this service could possibly be extended to other schools.

Information Technology Coordinator Jeff Lariscy presented an update on Technology and Media Service for the school system. He then entertained questions from the board.

In a motion by Robert Grant and a second by Vickie Decker, the board voted unanimously to approve attendance at Effingham Day at the Capitol on January 21-23, 2018.

The board voted unanimously to approve the attached Amended Resolution of the board of Education of Effingham County declaring certain school property adjacent to Springfield Elementary School unnecessary for school purposes after a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Beth Helmly.

Troy K. Alford made a motion to approve the attached Amendment to Purchase and Sale Agreement with the city of Springfield. Beth Helmly seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

The Superintendent led a discussion regarding make-up days for the recent absences due to the snow for employees and students. After much discussion, the board decided to allow students to make-up one of the three days missed and employees to make up two of the days missed. Beth Helmly made a motion and Vickie Decker seconded the motion to approve February 15, 2018 as a make-up day for students and employees. This day was originally an off day for students and teacher work day. The second make-up days for employees could be either on MLK Day or Memorial Day.

The board voted unanimously to enter into executive session with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford

In a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Vickie Decker, the board voted to end executive session.

In a motion by Robert Grant and a second by Beth Helmly, the board voted to accept the Superintendent's recommendations as noted on the attached personnel action list.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:15 p.m. with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford.

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F. Lamar Allen, Board Chair

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Dr. Randy Shearouse, Superintendent