

The Effingham County Board of Education met in regular session on June 3, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. with the following members present: F. Lamar Allen, Vickie Decker, Troy K. Alford, Robert Grant 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 Robert Grant and a second by Troy K. Alford. The Consent Agenda included: Board Minutes from the May 21, 2015 board meeting.

Finance Director Ron Wilson addressed the attached April 2015 financial report. A motion was made to approve the financial report by Beth Helmly and seconded by Robert Grant. Unanimous vote.

Superintendent Shearouse addressed the attached Monthly Board Report.

After some discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve Pope Construction as the Construction Manager for the construction of the new Rincon Elementary, additions to Effingham College and Career Academy and miscellaneous construction projects for the Effingham County Board of Education with a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Vickie Decker.

In a motion by Robert Grant and a second by Troy K. Alford, the board voted unanimously to approve the attached list as surplus equipment.

Dr. Shearouse presented the attached list of banks that were notified that the school system was accepting bids for banking services. BB & T is the only bank that bid for our services. After a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Robert Grant, the board voted unanimously to award BB & T the contract.

Superintendent Shearouse led a discussion regarding the FY 2016 budget. There was much discussion regarding production of information in a different format. Mrs. Helmly asked that several funds be "drilled down" to include everything that is charged to a particular fund. There was more discussion regarding the proposed 5% pay increase. Mrs. Helmly said she felt that she needed more information so that the board could look at the whole picture.

There was more discussion regarding hiring additional band teachers. Dr. Shearouse presented information regarding band class sizes at the three middle schools. Mr. Grant stated that he felt the band teachers were extremely busy with in-school and after school activities. Dr. Shearouse added that the band teachers are paid with supplements and additional days added to their contract for all extracurricular activities, but that the board could certainly discuss this further. He stated that we will have time for consideration at the June 18<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

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

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

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

In a motion by Robert Grant and a second by Vickie Decker, the board voted unanimously to accept the Superintendent's recommendations as noted on the attached supplement sheet.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m. with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Robert Grant.

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F. Lamar Allen, Board Chair

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Dr. Randy Shearouse, Superintendent

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