

The Effingham County Board of Education met in regular session on May 21, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present at South Effingham High School: F. Lamar Allen, Troy K. Alford, Beth Helmly, Vickie Decker and Robert Grant.

Beth Helmly opened the meeting with an invocation.

The agenda was adopted.

The board voted unanimously to approve the attached items on the Consent Agenda with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Robert Grant. The Consent Agenda included: Board Minutes from the May 6, 2015 meeting; and Revisions to April 26-28 Board Minutes.

Superintendent Shearouse presented the initial reading of new Board Policy DIE – Fraud Prevention. He stated that the Federal Programs audit requires that we adopt this policy. The policy has to sit for thirty days before adoption, and will be presented again at that time.

Executive Director of Administrative Services Dr. Slade Helmly presented the attached Vehicle/Equipment Purchase requests. Board member Beth Helmly requested that we place limitations on who is allowed to check out the vehicles. She stated that one teacher attending a conference in Savannah should be required to take their own vehicle and claim the mileage, allowing the vehicle for another person who might be transporting several teachers. There was some discussion regarding purchasing two vans instead of the one requested. In a motion by Beth Helmly and a second by Robert Grant, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposed purchase requests.

Dr. Shearouse led a discussion regarding the FY 2016 budget with input from Financial Director Ron Wilson and Dr. Slade Helmly.

Board Chair F. Lamar Allen called for public comments regarding the proposed FY 2016 budget.

Board Chair F. Lamar Allen requested the board tentatively approve the FY 2016 budget and millage rate. The board voted unanimously to tentatively approve the budget with a motion by Robert Grant and a second by Troy K. Alford.

The board voted unanimously to enter into executive session with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Beth Helmly.

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

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

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:45 p.m. with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford. The board then attended Class Night for South Effingham High School.