

The Effingham County Board of Education met in regular session on May 6, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. with the following members present: F. Lamar Allen, Vickie Decker, Troy K. Alford, Robert Grant and Beth Helmly.

F. Lamar Allen opened the meeting with an invocation.

The agenda was adopted.

The board voted unanimously to approve the attached items on the Consent Agenda, with the exception of the May 26-28, 2015 minutes. Beth Helmly asked that these minutes be pulled for correction. She requested removing her name from being in attendance at the 1st meeting, of the recent board retreat. The motion was made by Robert Grant and seconded by Vickie Decker to approve the other items on the consent agenda. The Consent Agenda included: Board Minutes from three meetings; April 16, 2015, and April 28, 2015; and a Recommendation to approve School Nutrition's lowest bid from Thompson & Little for Smallwares & Small Equipment for 2015-2016.

Parker's Representative Susan Hancock presented a check to the Board of Education to be distributed between schools participating in the Fueling the Community program. The board thanked Ms. Hancock and Mr. Parker for the contribution.

Executive Director of Administrative Services Dr. Slade Helmly addressed the attached March 2015 financial report. A motion was made to approve the financial report by Vickie Decker and seconded by Beth Helmly. Unanimous vote.

Superintendent Shearouse addressed the attached Monthly Board Report.

Exceptional Children Coordinator Stacy Boyett recognized GLRS Special Education Teacher of the year Kelly Tankersley from Sand Hill Elementary. She also recognized finalists Jen Spitko from Ebenezer Middle School and Misti Vandenhouten from Effingham County Middle School.

Dr. Shearouse recommended that the board approve a Resolution supporting the Investing in Educational Excellence Model (IE²) with the Georgia Board of Education. A motion was made to approve the Resolution by Robert Grant and seconded by Troy K. Alford. Unanimous vote.

The Superintendent explained that Policy IDB had been pulled from the agenda at our last meeting for revisions and the policy attached has the requested revisions. After some discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve revisions to Board Policy IDB – Health Education with a motion by Beth Helmly and a second by Vickie Decker.

Board Chair F. Lamar Allen presented a request from School Nutrition to increase lunch prices \$.30 for the upcoming 2015-2016 school year. Mrs. Jessica O'Leary explained the rationale for the attached information regarding the increase. After some discussion, the board asked if a \$.15 increase would allow the system to reach our "paid lunch equity requirement" for the Hunger-Free Act of 2010. Mrs. O'Leary stated that it would, but the system would have to increase each year, until the required amount is reached. In a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford, the board voted unanimously to increase lunch prices by \$.15. Executive Director of Human Resources stated that Mrs. O'Leary has done a great job with the School Nutrition program.

The Superintendent's recommendation to approve a 2015-2016 Class Size Resolution was unanimously approved after a motion by Beth Helmly and a second by Robert Grant.

The recommendation to approve a 2015-2016 Expenditure Control Resolution was unanimously approved after a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford.

The recommendation to approve a 2015-2016 Alternative School Resolution was unanimously approved after a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Robert Grant.

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

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

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

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:15 p.m. with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Robert Grant.

F. Lamar Allen, Board Chair

Dr. Randy Shearouse, Superintendent