

The Effingham County Board of Education met in regular session on March 4, 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 Troy K. Alford and a second by Robert Grant. The Consent Agenda included: Board Minutes from the February 19, 2015 meeting.

Financial Director Ron Wilson addressed the attached January 2015 financial report. A motion was made to approve the financial report by Troy K. Alford and seconded by Beth Helmly. Unanimous vote.

Superintendent Shearouse addressed the attached Monthly Board Report.

Board Chair F. Lamar Allen called for a recommendation to serve as an alternate for 2015 GSBA Legislative Liaison. Robert Grant was nominated in a motion by Beth Helmly and seconded by Vickie Decker. Unanimous vote.

The board voted unanimously to approve the attached maintenance items surplus list for auction and/or disposal after a motion by Beth Helmly and a second by Robert Grant.

Superintendent Shearouse recommended moving South Effingham Pre-K classes to Sand Hill Elementary for the 2015-2016 school year. In a motion by F. Lamar Allen and a second by Beth Helmly, the board voted unanimously to approve moving the Pre-K classes. Board Chair F. Lamar Allen stated that over time we may need to consider moving Pre-K students back to the Pre-K centers.

The board decided not to tour Evans Elementary on March 11, 2015 as planned. Vickie Decker stated after speaking to teachers at Rincon Elementary, they did not feel that a two story school would be feasible.

The board voted unanimously to enter into executive session with a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by F. Lamar Allen.

In a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Robert Grant, 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 list with the exception of the CTAE Coordinator/Curriculum Coordinator, Travis Nesmith. The vote was 4 Yea and 1 Nay. Beth Helmly voted Nay.

In a motion by Beth Helmly and a second by Robert Grant the board voted, with one abstention, to approve the Superintendent's 2015-2016 rehire recommendations. Troy K. Alford abstained from voting on Judson K. Alford and Becky Alford.

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With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m. with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Robert Grant.