

The Effingham County Board of Education met in regular session on January 7, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. with the following members present: F. Lamar Allen, Beth Helmly, Vickie Decker, Troy K. Alford and Robert Grant.

Troy K. Alford opened the meeting with an invocation.

Judge Beth Mosely presided over the swearing-in ceremony of newly elected board members Beth Helmly and Robert Grant.

The agenda was adopted.

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

The board voted unanimously to approve the attached item on the Consent Agenda with a motion by Vickie Decker and a second by Troy K. Alford. The Consent Agenda included: Board Minutes from the December 10, 2014 board meeting.

Financial Director Ron Wilson addressed the attached November 2014 financial report.

Superintendent Shearouse addressed the attached Monthly Board Report.

Financial Director Ron Wilson provided SPLOST IV audit results.

Dr. Slade Helmly and Ron Wilson provided information regarding the Tyler/Munis check writing system and asked that the board approve the purchase of the system. Dr. Helmly indicated the amount of time it takes our payroll department to handle and process the payroll advices would be saving an estimated 18-20 hours of staff time. After some discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve the system, after a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Vickie Decker.

Ms. Susan Halligan, Ms. Keelie Wadley, Ms. Brenda Reid and Ms. Jenni Deloach presented a math curriculum update.

Information Systems Coordinator Noralee Deason presented the 2013-2014 College & Career Ready Performance Index Scores.

Testing Coordinator Wendy Porter presented an overview of assessment and testing.

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

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

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30 p.m. with a motion by Troy K. Alford and a second by Beth Helmly.

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F. Lamar Allen, Chairman

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Dr. Randy Shearouse, Superintendent