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The Campbell County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, November 13, 2012, 6:00 p.m., at the courthouse in Jacksboro, Tennessee. The following school board members were present: Chairman Josh Parker, Johnny Byrge, J.L."Sarge" Collins, Johnny Creekmore, Scott Hill, Eugene Lawson, Rector Miller, Mike Orick, Homer Rutherford, and Danny Wilson. Director of Schools, Donnie Poston was present and Gail Parks kept the minutes.

Prayer by Scott Hill.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Danny Wilson.

I. Roll Call and Call to Order

II. Recognition of Guests

Recognize Suzanne Crumley.

Mrs. Crumley stated she was present with 2 students to readdress the AP Biology who are not receiving weighted credit. Mrs. Crumley stated other surrounding schools have this available to students and feels this is a disadvantage to our students who are competing for scholarships and admissions. Sarah O'Rourke and Zach Rivera addressed the board. When the class was taken they were told it would be a weighted class. Colleges look at GPA and AP courses prepare you more for college. Classes are more rigorous. Ms. O'Rourke stated she was requesting this action to help achieve more scholarships. Zach Rivera stated he takes AP classes and the AP biology is the most difficult and rigorous of all his classes. AP prepares more for advance studies in college. Director Poston stated this has been discussed to approve to begin for the freshman class for the 2013-2014 school year. Attorney Cantrell stated this is procedurally done at the beginning of the year, but there is not anything legally binding that you can't change in the middle of the year. Board member Miller asked if they were requesting to make this retroactive to this year. Mrs. Crumley stated this class was informed it would be a weighted class. Board member Miller stated he had received more information from the students than what he was given from the Central Office.

Motion by Miller to suspend rules to bring this issue to action. Second by Wilson.

Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-yes, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

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General Carl Stiner addressed the board and thanked each of them for a great job they were doing. General Stiner stressed the priority of acceptance of universities where students received weighted courses and how other systems surrounding us have more weighted subjects than we do.

Motion by Miller, second by Hill to make Campbell County High School AP Biology course a weighted course retro-active to the 2010-2011 school year.

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of the previous meetings
1. October 16, 2012, regular session meeting. (Attachment)
 2. October 30, 2012, workshop session. (Attachment)

Motion by Orick, second by Byrge to approve the Consent Agenda.
Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-yes, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

IV. Approval of Regular Agenda

Motion by Miller, second by Rutherford to approve the Regular Agenda.
Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-yes, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

V. Comments from the Chair

Chairman Parker announced that a workshop to discuss the State Report Card would be held on November 27th at 5:30 p.m. Board member Miller stated he had reviewed the Report Card and would like to see a game plan from the principals of what they are going to do at their schools. Chairman Parker reminded the board of the sale of the Ridgewood property on November 17th at 10:30 a.m. and on December 7th a breakfast to host state legislatures will be held at the Central Office at 8:30 a.m.

VI. Director's Monthly Report

Director Poston recognized our veterans and request the school system recognize Veteran's Day on our school calendar for the upcoming year. Campbell County has been awarded another grant with GEAR-UP that would serve our system for 6 ½ years. Director Poston congratulated Caryville Elementary for their academic progress.

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Director Poston stated he has been approached in regards if he would accept an extension on his contract. Director Poston stated he would accept a one year extension on his contract. Attorney Cantrell stated the first thing the board needed to do was to offer or negotiate and place the item on the agenda and an additional 30 days for the contract to be signed. Attorney Cantrell stated a super majority vote would be needed. Board member Orick request this item be placed on the December agenda. Board member Lawson asked when the current contract would be up. The current contract expires on June 30, 2013.

VII. Recognize Jeff Marlow, Director of Finance

A. Monthly Financials.

141 General Purpose School Fund. Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2012.

Cash With Trustee - \$4,720,346.17

Total Revenues - \$6,868,593.91

Percent of Budget – 18.3%

Total Expenditures - \$8,486,576.97

Percent of Budget – 22.2%

142 Federal Projects Fund. Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2012.

Cash With Trustee - \$367,146.96

Total Revenues – 1,010,359.29

Percent of Budget – 18.4%

Total Expenditures - \$1,013,468.25

Percent of Budget - 18.4%

143 Central Cafeteria Fund. Balance Sheet as of September 30, 2012

Cash With Trustee - \$137,773.20

Total Revenues - \$682,841.59

Percent of Budget – 20.1%

Total Expenditures - \$840,744.55

Percent of Budget – 24.8%

Mr. Marlow gave a detailed summary of the September 2012 Monthly Financial Report and request if there were no questions they be approved at this time.

Motion by Hill, second by Orick to approve the September 2012 Monthly Financial Report.

Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-yes, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

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B. Approve Budget Amendments and Resolutions.

Mr. Marlow stated there were 7 Budget Amendments and Resolutions and if there were no questions he recommended they be approved at this time.

Motion by Hill, second by Orick to approve all 7 Budget Amendments and Resolutions. Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-yes, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

- C. Reviewing of Bids.
1. Awning for Valley View Elementary.
Mountain Awning - \$16,974.00
Sunbelt Products - \$14,544.00

Recommendation to award lowest bid to meet specifications to Sunbelt Products. This is the recommendation of Donnie Poston, Director of Schools.

2. Bleachers for Jacksboro Elementary School.
Toadvine Enterprises - \$24,800.00
Southern Facility - \$26,120.00

Recommendation to award lowest bid to meet specifications to Toadvine Enterprises. This is the recommendation of Donnie Poston, Director of Schools.

3. Security camera for buses.
Seon Systems Sales Inc. - \$45,875.00
MidSouth Bus Center - \$52,176.00
Famtec Inc. - \$48,419.00
Pro-Vision Video Systems - \$34,675.00

Recommendation to award lowest bid to meet specifications to Pro-Vision Video Systems. This is the recommendation of Larry Nidiffer, Assistant Director/Transportation Supervisor.

Motion by Orick, second by Hill to approve Items VII C 1 through 3 of reviewing bids. Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-yes, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

D. Request permission to advertise Bids. Nothing at this time.

Board member Hill asked when the schools activity fund accounts would be audited. Gail Parks responded that Mr. Hill's office would be picking them up within the next week.

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1. Request permission to advertise bids for awning at LaFollette Elementary School.

Motion by Rutherford, second by Miller to advertise bids for awning at LaFollette Elementary School.

Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-yes, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

- E. Request permission to accept contracts. Nothing at this time.
- F. Update from Faye Comer regarding individual school activity funds.

Mrs. Comer stated the board was emailed a copy of the individual schools activity fund with the exception of Jellico High School and asked if there were any questions. Board member Rutherford asked if the beverage sales had increased. Mrs. Comer stated last at this time last year the total was \$3,800 and this year it was \$6,792. This is not a true comparison because all of the machines were not in the buildings at this time last year. Mrs. Comer stated she felt they were doing better.

VIII. Items for Action:

- A. Consider revision of the 2012-2013 school year calendar to change graduation date of Campbell County High School to Saturday, May 18, 2013, 10:00 a.m., Tex Turner Arena.

Board member Miller asked if the students would be in school during the week of May 25th. Director Poston stated the date change was due to scheduling conflict at Tex Turner. It was discussed that they students were suppose to.

Motion by Orick, second by Hill to approve 2012-2013 calendar change for graduation date for Campbell County High School.

Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-no, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

- B. Consider approving recommended policy changes for Sections 2 & 3 of Campbell County Board of Education Policy Manual. 1st Reading.

Motion by Orick, second by Miller to approve policy changes for Sections 2 & 3 of Campbell County Board of Education Policy Manual on 1st reading.

Parker-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Miller-yes, Orick-yes, Rutherford-yes, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

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- C. Appoint a special question committee for the purpose of conducting a confidential poll of all eligible professional employees (as defined in TCA Section 49-5-602(8)). (Section 49-5-605 (b)(1)).

Attorney Cantrell stated the Chairman must appoint a special question committee with equal number of employees and board members. Must receive a list of number of regular education teachers who serve 50% of the time. The committee will establish what day the election will be and the time and what matter the election will be taken. A poll monitor is required. 15 minutes before and after school could be given to vote. 2 questions will be on the ballot which will be "Do you want to do a Collaborative Conference" yes or no, if voting yes you must choose who you want, AFT, TEA or PET or mark other for selection. Director Poston cannot be on the committee. When election results are tabulated on that day the principal and union representative will verify and sign and also seal the ballots and bring to Chairman Parker. This process needs to be done soon. A committee was chosen to consist of Tammie Lay, Eugene Lawson, J.L. Collins, Scott Hill, Connie Crutchfield, Sharon Marlow and Robert Holder. Gail Parks will collect a roster of employees from each principal.

IX. Items for Discussion:

Board member Collins stated he felt that everyone should be off on Veteran's Day next year. Board member Collins stated that people were wanting a game between Campbell County High School and Jellico High School with proceeds to go to Toys for Tots. Mr. Bruce will look into this request.

X. Discuss Legal Matters.

Attorney Cantrell stated it was discussed at the TSBA convention of a matter that is not being done as of yet for all parents to be made aware in writing of all extra-curricular clubs are offered. If the parent chooses for their child not to participate in a certain club they must notify the school. This information needs to be posted on the school and system website for the upcoming year. This is to be done school by school. A parent has a right to exclude their child from any club. Attorney Cantrell will schedule a workshop with principals to discuss IEP's within the next couple of weeks.

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XI. Recognize School Board Members

Board member Orick stated Jacksboro Middle School was in need of a new PA system and asked Director Poston to look into the issue and reminded everyone of the auction at Ridgewood school. Board member Miller asked if was going to be a policy with the Central Office in the way we enter into evaluations will there be action taken when no progress is made. Director Poston stated they would have to make changes. Board member Miller request the item of employment of architectural firms for the Campbell County Board of Education as it relates to the 1981 Financial Management Act be placed on the December agenda.

Meeting Adjourned.

Josh Parker
Chairman of the Board

Donnie Poston
Director of Schools