

# MINUTES

The Campbell County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, October 8, 2013, 6:00 p.m., at the courthouse in Jacksboro, Tennessee. The following school board members were present: Chairman Rector Miller, Johnny Byrge, J.L. "Sarge" Collins, Johnny Creekmore, Scott Hill, Eugene Lawson, Mike Orick, Josh Parker, and Danny Wilson. Board member Homer Rutherford was absent. Director of Schools, Larry Nidiffer, Assistant Director of Schools was present and Gail Parks kept the minutes.

Prayer by Danny Wilson.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Johnny Creekmore.

I. Roll Call and Call to Order

II. Recognition of Guests

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of the previous meeting

1. September 3, 2013, regular session meeting.

B. Approve Executive Actions:

1. Request permission to advertise bids for handicap lifts at Jellico Elementary School.
2. Approve 2013-2014 Elementary Basketball rules.

C. Dilapidated items.

School Nutrition Program

Milk Cooler – model #MTSMU serial #090906227

Motion by Parker, second by Wilson to approve the Consent Agenda.

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

IV. Approval of Regular Agenda

Motion by Hill, second by Wilson to approve the Regular Agenda.

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

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V. Comments from the Chair

Chairman Miller stated how about the Cougars!! The atmosphere they have created is great and the coaches have done an outstanding job and hope they will keep on going. A list of committees was given to each board member. Chairman Miller stated any building project will come to the committee first to receive details and the board can make a recommendation to assist the director. Meetings will attempt to be held at 5:00 before the regular session meeting. The security committee will meet with new ideas to help make our buildings safer. Chairman Miller stated there has been discussion with drug screening employees and the board of education does not have the authority to do random drug testing which the state law is clear with this. The only way this could be done is to change the policy.

VI. Director's Monthly Report

Mr. Nidiffer stated the K-8 elementary schools were involved with Journey textbook with Common Core. Mr. Nidiffer stated Director Poston was feeling under the weather and hopes he can get better soon.

VII. Recognize Jeff Marlow, Director of Finance

A. Monthly Financials.

Mr. Marlow gave a summary of the August 31, 2013 Monthly Financial report and request if there were no questions they be approved at this time.

141 General Purpose School Fund. Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2013

Cash with Trustee - \$5,383,255.99

Total Revenues - \$3,759,486.68

Percent of Budget – 10.0%

Total Expenditures - \$5,924,600.72

Percent of Budget – 15.0%

142 School Federal Projects Fund. Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2013.

Cash with Trustee - \$515,203.82

Total Revenues - \$442,321.68

Percent of Budget – 8.3%

Total Expenditures - \$448,574.53

Percent of Budget – 8.4%

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143 Central Cafeteria Fund. Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2013.  
Cash with Trustee - \$421,670.63  
Total Revenues - \$305,893.31  
Percent of Budget – 9.1%  
Total Expenditures - \$431,592.13  
Percent of Budget – 12.9%

Motion by Orick, second by Wilson to approve the August 31, 2013 Monthly Financial Report. Miller-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Orick-yes, Parker-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

B. Approve Budget Amendments and Resolutions.

Mr. Marlow stated there were 17 Amendments for review.

Motion by Parker, second by Hill to approve all 17 Budget Amendments and Resolutions. Miller-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Orick-yes, Parker-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

Board member Orick asked Mr. Marlow about the solar panel revenue. Mr. Marlow responded we were within the estimates. There is a problem with Jellico Elementary and the internet connectivity to allow the monitoring. Mr. Cannon informed Mr. Marlow they were ready to be hooked up. All 12 sites are on.

C. Reviewing of Bids. Nothing at this time.

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

E. Request permission to accept renewal of contracts. Nothing at this time.

F. Update from Faye Comer regarding individual school activity funds.

Chairman Miller asked if anyone had any questions for Mrs. Comer. No questions were asked and Chairman Miller thanked Mrs. Comer.

VIII. Items for Action:

A. Consider approving the following courses at Campbell County High School as Honors and AP classes for the 2013-2014 school year.

Honors Classes – English I, II, and III, Biology I, Algebra I, II, and Geometry and Physics  
AP Classes - Physics

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Motion Parker, second by Byrge to approve courses at Campbell County High School as Honors and AP classes for the 2013-2014 school year.  
Miller-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Orick-yes, Parker-yes, Rutherford- absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

B. Discuss and take any necessary action regarding Virtual Schools.

Chairman Miller stated he had spoken with Dr. Airhart and she had informed Director Poston that we could have but it would only be for Campbell County students. Chairman Miller stated Dr. Airhart indicated she wasn't a fan of Virtual Schools and the progress in Union County has not been successful. Board member Parker stated if the state doesn't allow it would be a disservice to our self. Mr. Marlow stated there was a cancellation clause in the contract with so much notice. Board attorney Cantrell will send notice to Virtual Schools.

Motion by Lawson, second by Creekmore to send a letter to board attorney Cantrell and instruct him to withdraw all claims from K-12 Virtual Schools.  
Miller-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-yes, Creekmore-yes, Hill-yes, Lawson-yes, Orick-yes, Parker-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

C. Consider approving Campbell County Board of Education Annual Agenda.

Board member Wilson request all scholarship recipients be recognized in May.

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

IX. Items for Discussion:

A. Discuss school nurses.

Chairman Miller stated Director Poston placed this item on the Agenda. Mr. Nidiffer gave the student/nurse ratio of several schools. Director Poston will address the board at a later time regarding this issue if necessary. It was discussed additional funding was needed for school nurse positions.

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B. Discuss Coordinated School Health Program.

Chairman Miller asked Mr. Johnny Bruce how much the grant amount was for in the Coordinated School Health. Mr. Bruce stated \$100,000. Chairman Miller asked how much of the \$100,000 went for salaries. Mr. Bruce stated most of the funds went for salaries and benefits. Mr. Bruce also stated that \$13,000 had been placed back in the schools. A \$1,000 mini grant was offered to each school and they can choose how to spend the funds. The schools have the opportunity to select the needs instead of Mr. Bruce. Mrs. Phyllis Clinger has been assisting Mr. Bruce at each school location. Chairman Miller asked if each school had created a school healthy team and if the principal and vice principal could serve as an officer. Mr. Bruce stated the principal and vice principal could not serve as an officer. A program had been developed for students who arrive late at school. They can pick up a brown bag and eat breakfast before going to class. Chairman Miller asked if the school nurses could perform the BMI's. Mr. Bruce stated this would be supplanting of funds. Mr. Bruce stated he offered this position to one of the school nurses and she turned it down. Mr. Bruce gave the position to a retired teacher who will work 2 hours per day.

X. Discuss Legal Matters. Nothing at this time. A packet was given out to the board on updates on pending issues. The issue of the board of education chairman being on the FMS committee was discussed. Mr. Goodge stated the resolution was not a binding resolution which means that effectively if they voted to rescind the resolution they could do so at their whim. At the attorneys prospective it was not done in the appropriate way. The board could make a formal request for them to reconsider and present to the county commission. Chairman Miller stated there may be a movement for them to reconsider. Chairman Miller stated it was difficult for him to discuss this item objectively and thinks that with the effort made 2 years ago and with the writing in the resolution it is important for the board of education chairman to sit on the committee due to the amount of the budget the school department has and it is not accepted who the board places as chairman and feels this is how politics runs in the county sometimes. Board member Parker commented that he would speak up and stated he felt the board chairman should be on the FMS committee and that is what the resolution stated 2 years ago. Mr. Marlow stated this was a 7 member statutory committee. Board member Wilson stated he felt a board member should be on the committee. Chairman Miller stated they would wait until the next meeting and see what the county commission does and if it was good 2 years ago it should be good now no matter whom the chairman is. Board member Lawson asked Mr. Marlow what percentage of the budget is the school department budget. Mr. Marlow replied approximately 55%. Board member Lawson stated he felt they needed representation of the board. Board member Collins asked about a student being tested for Special Education. Mrs. Linda Campbell stated she would discuss this issue in private with board member Collins. Board member Hill congratulated the Cougars and stated he was proud of the players and coaches. Board Member Orick asked when Caryville Elementary was build and there was a need for the parking area to be filled in and striped. Mr. Nidiffer will look into this request.

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Mr. Marlow informed the board and Mr. Steve Grimm was interested in donating topsoil. A possible use could be on soccer fields. Mr. Marlow stated if it was the desire of the board he could prepare a letter.

XI. Recognize School Board Members

Meeting adjourned.

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Donnie Poston  
Director of Schools

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Rector Miller  
Chairman of the Board