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The Campbell County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 6:00 p.m., at the courthouse in Jacksboro, Tennessee. The following school board members were present: Chairman Mike Orick, Clint Bane, Johnny Byrge, Crystal Creekmore, Wallace Goins, Faye Heatherly, Sharon Ridenour and Danny Wilson. School board members J.L. “Sarge” Collins and Homer Rutherford were absent. Director of Schools, Donnie Poston was present and Gail Parks kept the minutes.

Chairman Orick asked that everyone remember Homer Rutherford in prayer as he is the hospital. Also a moment of silence was observed for Wanda Carden, Vic King and Dr. Marshall Rasnake.

Prayer by Larry Nidiffer.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Clint Bane.

I. Roll Call and Call to Order

II. Recognition of Guests

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of the previous meetings.

1. November 6, 2014, regular session meeting.

Motion by Creekmore, second by Ridenour to approve the Consent Agenda.

Orick-yes, Bane-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-absent, Creekmore-yes, Goins-yes, Heatherly-yes, Ridenour-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

IV. Approval of Regular Agenda and Addendum

Motion by Byrge, second by Heatherly to approve the Regular Agenda and Addendum.

Orick-yes, Bane-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-absent, Creekmore-yes, Goins-yes, Heatherly-yes, Ridenour-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

V. Comments from the Chair

Chairman Orick reminded the board of the Christmas breakfast at the Central Office on December 18th at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Orick set a workshop date for January 27th at 6:00 p.m., at the Central Office downstairs conference room to discuss the State Report Card. Also, Chairman Orick stated 2 new School Resource Officers had been hired and are now in training, patrol cars have been ordered and equipment has been shipped and will be in schools by February. Chairman Orick request if there was a need to expedite the purchase of the new iPads for and Executive Action to occur.

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VI. Director's Monthly Report

Director Poston read into record his Directors notes. To All Campbell County Families: During the month of December, families throughout the world celebrate Christmas, the most popular of all holidays. It is a time of heightened emotions. Not only is it a time of joy and excitement, it becomes for many a time of depression and regret. Every emotion is on display. Most of us find ourselves reaching a helping hand to those less fortunate, to the lonely, to the destitute, to the despondent, and to the elderly. We see the Christmas Holidays as a time of offer hope and to the hopeless and help to the helpless. As educators, we realize that our children come to us from every walk of life. We are constantly moving to make positive differences in our students' lives. We experience successes; we experience failures. It is during the Christmas season that so many of us also realize that we simply cannot be everything to every child. Yes, we will continue to try to fill many of the needed voids...and, yes, we will become giants in the hearts and minds of so many of the children that we serve. We simply cannot be and do everything that we so often desire. Those of us in education are often told that the socio-economic conditions of an area have little to no effect upon the academic achievement of children. Many of us have known for years what studies are now indicating and that is that those conditions do have a bearing on children's success in school. Too many children do struggle because of a lack of basic daily needs. What we need from all of us as educators and parents is the same Christmas Spirit that influences us to reach out with hearts and hands in December. We need to carry that attitude and those actions throughout the year. Quality teaching, quality parenting, quality services are all needed. Children long, however, for something besides just "quality." They crave for quality. They need and want more time with their parents, their teachers, other caring family members and friends. If our computers, T.V.'s, and game machines could talk and think independently, they would let us know that they know more about our children than we do as parents and educators. Please, let's make the Christmas Spirit work twelve months of the year and reach out to our children in more deliberate ways. Once again, I beg our parents, school personnel and the community to take inventory of how we communicate to take inventory of how we communicate with our children and each other. I beg all of our parents, educators, politicians, and leaders to "ratched-down" our level of negative verbal exchanges especially where the youngest among us have such impressionable minds. Keeping the Spirit of Christmas all year will do that! On behalf of all school employees and the Board of Education, our desire is that families experience a joyous, wonderful Christmas...for twelve months! Director Poston stated he appreciates the support of the board and the community. Many good things have happened since he has been the director of schools and asked the board to look at his staff to carry on. Director Poston stated the new director should be child oriented and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

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VII. Recognize Jeff Marlow, Director of Finance

A. Monthly Financials.

141 General Purpose School Fund. Balance Sheet as of October 31, 2014.

Cash with Trustee - \$5,664,899.16

Total Revenues - \$10,755,109.43

Percent of Budget – 28.1%

Total Expenditures - \$11,752,468.25

Percent of Budget – 29.6%

142 Federal Projects Fund. Balance Sheet as of October 31, 2014.

Cash with Trustee - \$353,089.73

Total Revenues - \$1,256,183.35

Percent of Budget – 28.0%

Total Expenditures - \$1,265,470.41

Percent of Budget – 28.1%

143 Central Cafeteria Fund. Balance Sheet as of October 31, 2014.

Cash with Trustee - \$570,982.65

Total Revenues – \$1,102,813.37

Percent of Budget – 31.1%

Total Expenditures - \$1,142,320.35

Percent of Budget – 32.2%

Mr. Marlow gave a detailed summary of the October 31, 2014 Monthly Financial Report and request if there were no questions they be approved at this time.

Motion by Creekmore, second by Wilson to approve the October 31, 2014 Monthly Financial Report.

Orick-yes, Bane-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-absent, Creekmore-yes, Goins-yes, Heatherly-yes, Ridenour-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

B. Approve Budget Amendments and Resolutions.

Mr. Marlow gave a detailed summary of the 6 December 2014 Budget Amendments and Resolutions and request if there were no questions they be approved at this time.

Motion by Creekmore, second by Goins to approve all 6 December 2014 Budget amendments and Resolutions.

Orick-yes, Bane-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-absent, Creekmore-yes, Goins-yes, Heatherly-yes, Ridenour-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

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- C. Reviewing of Bids.

- E. Request permission to advertise Bids.
 - 1. Pass thru refrigerator for Jacksboro Elementary School utilizing grant money reimbursement.
 - 2. Repair of 2014 Blue Bird Special Education bus.
 - 3. Request permission to advertise bids for wireless internet access for all schools.
 - 4. Request permission to advertise bids for intercom system at Campbell County High School.
 - 5. Request permission to advertise bids for baseball score board at Campbell County High School.

Motion by Creekmore, second by Bane to approve all 5 requests to advertise for bids. Orick-yes, Bane-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-absent, Creekmore-yes, Goins-yes, Heatherly-yes, Ridenour-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion passed.

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

- G. Update from Faye Comer regarding individual school activity funds.

There were no questions at this time and the board thanked Mrs. Comer for doing a great job.

- H. Approve attorney Dail Cantrell to file paper work with TVA for release of reversionary interest at the old Caryville Elementary property.

Motion by Bane, second by Wilson for attorney Cantrell to file necessary paper work with TVA for release of reversionary interest in the old Caryville Elementary property.

Orick-yes, Bane-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-absent, Creekmore-yes, Goins-yes, Heatherly-yes, Ridenour-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

VIII. Items for Action:

- A. Establish BOE Secretary Compensation.

Chairman Orick stated Gail Parks was semi-retired and the board supplement was \$10,000. Based upon the number of hours per week worked this equates to \$10,400.00.

Motion by Goins, second by Byrge to approve BOE Secretary Compensation.

Orick-yes, Bane-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-absent, Creekmore-yes, Goins-yes, Heatherly-yes, Ridenour-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

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- B. Approve amendments to TSBA policy recommendation on 1st reading.

Board member Heatherly commented by saying these policies have been reviewed and would bring us up to date with the new state law.

Motion by Heatherly, second by Wilson to approve amendments to TSBA policy recommendation on 1st reading.

Orick-yes, Bane-yes, Byrge-yes, Collins-absent, Creekmore-yes, Goins-yes, Heatherly-yes, Ridenour-yes, Rutherford-absent, Wilson-yes. Motion Passed.

- C. Establish date of workshop to discuss BOE Goals and Vision.

A date will be established during the month of February.

IX. Items for Discussion:

- A. Discuss transportation survey from outside agency.

Board member Byrge asked Mr. Nidiffer to elaborate on the issue. Mr. Nidiffer stated he knew of 2 agencies that could do the survey and feels there has been a population shift. Mr. Nidiffer will get an estimate and report back to the board for the next month's meeting.

X. Discuss Legal Matters.

Mr. Cantrell informed the board that effective immediately any and all legal suites including worker's compensation suites would need to also be forwarded to county attorney Joe Coker. Attorney Cantrell has no objection to this. Mr. Cantrell stated he wished to discuss the Bundren litigation. Mr. Cantrell stated it had been brought to his attention by several board members that Mr. Bundren had been in contact with them. Attorney Cantrell informed the board to always let him know if they get a call and that Mr. Bundren's attorney would like to resolve the litigation. On a different issue, Attorney Cantrell stated the Mike Sharp suit is ready to be filed.

XI. Recognize School Board Members

Board member Wilson stated he looks forward to working with the new board and wished everyone a Merry Christmas. All board members wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Board member Ridenour made a request to receive an update of personnel to show a listing of new hires, transfers and etc. Chairman Orick asked if on our application if there was a section to disclose a list of relatives. Director Poston will look into this and report back to the board.

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Donnie Poston
Director of Schools

Mike Orick
Chairman of the Board