

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
James W. Parham Central Office Building
DECEMBER 14, 2017 – 5:30 P.M.

The Greene County Board of Education met in regular session Thursday, December 14, 2017, at 5:30 p.m., at the James W. Parham central Office Building.

Chairman Rick Tipton called the meeting to order and noted that all Board members were present. He introduced student Board Member Landon Brown from South Greene High School, who led the pledge and Nathan Brown led the Invocation

I. III. Presentations & Celebrations

- Attendance Award – Students Baileyton 96.9% - October / SGHS 96.9% - November
- Attendance Award – Teachers Ottway / SGHS 97.8% tied – October / CDMS 96.9% - Nov
- Art Recognition –

- Sophia Bowman	Mosheim	Kindergarten
- Kylee Lougee	McDonald	2 nd grade
- Annika Franklin	Baileyton	7 th grade
- Victoria Arbogast	CDMS	8 th grade
- Emmalee Barbour	CDHS	11 th grade
- Isabella Johnson	Chuckey	3 rd grade
- Hayley Calloway	WGHS	12 th grade
- Katie Quillen	Camp Creek	5 th grade
- Jennifer Davis	SGHS	9 th grade
- Eliza Brown	NGHS	9 th grade
- *****MOVED TO JANUARY MEETING due to gaming conflict*****
- CDHS Lady Black Knights Soccer District Champions, Region Runners-Up, Sectional Playoff Champions, and State Tournament Semi-Finalists
- Greene L.E.A.F. Presentation-Executive Director-Darlene McCleish– Reminder to turn in Star Nominations. Donation of computers to two high schools for digital one to one pilot program, \$40,870 to fund computers. Shelly Smith, CDHS Principal and Dr. Cindy Bowman, SGHS Principal were present to accept the computers for their high schools. One to one program to begin in January.
- Request to Appear Before the Board –
 - 1) Eddie Jennings – Consolidation (Unable to attend)
 - 2) Wayland Seaton – School Consolidation - Concerns regarding school size
 - 3) Mark Rothe – Cooperative Strategies Plan support
- **ADDENDUM**
 - 4) Haley Dean-Testimonial in support of the new school plan proposal

Food Service Report-Dustin Burnette- Mobile Teaching Kitchen was a huge success with over 100 students; waiting on plans for remodels of NGHS kitchen; waiting to look at option for CDMS; Financial Update: October 2017 Surplus \$70,147; November 2017 Surplus \$37,147 and Year-to-Date Surplus \$118,000.

Director's Report - David McLain – Listed Meetings and Events: TSBA Convention in Nashville with Board members; Veterans Day Programs at Camp Creek, CDMS and SGHS; First Legislative Breakfast and Retreat; Collaborative Conferencing; Parent Advisory Meeting; County Insurance; Core Office Visits; First Superintendent Study Council; Band concerts; various athletic events; rewarding to be able to hand out awards at the annual Science Fair; enjoyed K-1st McDonald students who came to sing Christmas carols to the Central Office staff. Thanks to everyone who keeps our school system moving forward and ended with a quote from Brene' Brown "You can be comfortable or courageous, but you cannot be both".

VI. Old Business

A. Approve Policies on Second Reading: (VI-A)

On motion Made by Tom Cobble Seconded by Brian Wilhoit

Vote: 7 – 0

- 1.500 Board-Community Relations-Update cross references
- 1.501 Visitors to the Schools- Update cross references
- 1.502 Board Meeting News Coverage- Update cross references
- 1.600 Policy Development and Adoption-content, legal ref, cross ref, procedure ref
- 1.700 School District Goals- Update content and cross references
- 1.701 School District Planning-Update content, legal ref, and cross references
- 1.704 Charter Schools- Delete
- 1.802 Section 504 and ADA Grievance Procedures-content, legal ref and procedure ref
- 1.803 Tobacco-Free Schools-Update cross reference
- 1.805 Use of Electronic Mail (e-mail)-Update legal ref and delete cross reference
- 1.806 Advertising and Distribution of Materials in the Schools-cross ref and procedure ref
- 1.808 Registered Sex Offenders-Update legal references
- 1.901 Charter School Applications-Add new policy
- 5.600 Staff Rights & Responsibilities-Update content, legal ref, cross ref, and procedure ref

VII. New Business

A. Approve Policies on First Reading. (VII-A)

On motion Made by Tom Cobble Seconded by Clark Justis

Vote: 7 – 0

- 1.8011 Emergency Closings-Update content and legal reference
- 1.804 Drug-Free Workplace-Update content and legal references
- 2.200 Annual Operating Budget-Update content, legal ref, and delete cross reference
- 2.300 Comparability of Services-Update legal reference
- 2.403 Surplus Property Sales-Update content, legal references, and cross references
- 2.404 School Support Organizations-Update legal reference
- 2.500 Deposit of Funds-Add cross reference
- 2.601 Fundraising Activities-Add new policy
- 2.701 Financial Reports and Records-Update legal references and cross references
- 2.702 Inventories-Update cross references and procedure reference
- 2.703 Audits-Update legal references and cross references
- 2.802 Payroll Procedures-Update cross references
- 2.803 Salary Deductions-Update cross references
- 2.804 Expenses and Reimbursements-Update content, legal ref, and procedure references
- 2.805 Purchasing-Update legal references, cross references, and procedure references
- 2.806 Bids and Quotations-Update content, legal references, and cross references
- 2.807 Requisitions-Update cross reference
- 2.808 Purchase Orders and Contracts-Update cross reference
- 2.809 Vendor Relations-Update cross references
- 2.900 Student Activity Funds Management-Update cross references
- 6.2011 Voluntary Pre-K Attendance-Add new policy

B. Approve Procedures. (VII-B)

On motion Made by Brian Wilhoit Seconded by Tom Cobble

Vote: 7 – 0

- 2.804 Exhibit A Travel Procedure-Update content
- 2.804 Exhibit D Claim for Travel Expenses-Update content

C. Approve Out-of-State Trips. (VII-C)

On motion Made by Clark Justis Seconded by Michelle Holt

Vote: 7 – 0

D. Approve Budget Amendment for the Family Resource Grant. (VII-D)

On motion Made by Clark Justis Seconded by Tom Cobble

Vote: 7 – 0

E. Approve Budget Amendment for Coordinated School Health Grant. (VII-E)

On motion Made by Nathan Brown Seconded by Kathy Austin

Vote: 7 – 0

F. Approve Propane Bid. (VII-F)

On motion Made by Clark Justis Seconded by Brian Wilhoit

Vote: 7 - 0

G. Approve 2018-2019 Academic Calendar. (VII-G)

On motion Made by Tom Cobble Seconded by Clark Justis

Vote: 7 – 0

H. Approve Correlational Study between iReady and TNReady. (VII-H)

On motion Made by Nathan Brown Seconded by Brian Wilhoit

Vote: 7 – 0

I. Approve Mid-Year Budget Resolution. (VII-I)

On motion Made by Clark Justis Seconded by Nathan Brown

Vote: 7 – 0

J. Approve Non-Faculty Coaches. (VII-J)

On motion Made by Tom Cobble Seconded by Michelle Holt

Vote: 7 – 0

K. Approve First two (2) bullets of Recommendation 1 made by Cooperative Strategies at the October 30, 2017, Called Board Meeting, ~~and no decision on the last four bullets will be made until the construction of the new consolidated comprehensive high school is complete.~~ (VII-K)

Chairman Rick Tipton stated that he had been approached by several people to include the last four (4) bullets of the recommendation and to vote on the entirety of the Cooperative Strategies recommendation.

**AMENDMENT TO APPROVE THE FULL RECOMMENDATION ONE (1) PRESENTED BY
COOPERATIVE STRATEGIES TO INCLUDE THE LIST IN ITS ENTIRETY**

On motion Made by Clark Justus Seconded by Brian Wilhoit
Vote as Amended: 6 - 1 No-Austin

Chairman Tipton read through the bullets of the recommendation for the public before the vote (see December 14, 2017, Board Agenda, Item VII-K-Attachment, Cooperative Strategies Recommendation-Page 12, on our website at www.greenek12.org) and noted that the County Commission was the funding body and would have to vote on whether or not to provide the funding for this recommendation and the Greene County Board of Education would be the ones to decide on the last four bullets about consolidation of K-5 schools. Board member Kathy Austin read through articles of research in opposition of consolidation based on large school versus small schools. She also stated that the law enrollment at the schools could be fixed tomorrow by zoning correctly. Ms. Austin noted that in an article dated in 1973 as far as CTE at the Greene Technology Center, both Greene County Schools and Greeneville City Schools had equal control. Nathan Brown added that regarding CTE, it was overwhelming at the Steering Committee meetings how much everyone wanted the CTE program to be on site at the high school so the kids would have more opportunities. Ms. Austin responded that she was just wanting to clarify a statement she had heard that we had zero control at the Greene Technology Center. Mr. David McLain, Director of Schools, responded that he had made that statement in reference to hiring at the GTC and that he had been involved in the interviews for hiring the Director at GTC but he was not involved in any of the hiring of teachers, assistants or any other staff at the center. Ms. Austin added that since we have more Board members than they do, that we would be able to vote down anything at the GTC but we don't because of the great relationship that we have with them. Chairman Rick Tipton stated that the Board was in no way bashing the Greene Technology Center and that GTC was a great program and considered it a showplace in East Tennessee.

On motion Made by Nathan Brown Seconded by Tom Cobble/Brian Wilhoit
Vote: 6 - 1 No-Austin

ADDENDUM

L. Approve NGHS Basketball Christmas Tournament. (VII-L)

On motion Made by Tom Cobble Seconded by Michelle Holt

Vote: 7 – 0

M. Approve Save the Children Grant. (VII-M)

On motion Made by Nathan Brown Seconded by Michelle Holt

Vote: 6 -1 No-Austin

Dr. Bill Ripley gave more information on the Grant – The Grant is for schools Chuckey, Doak and Mosheim; State Department of Education would fund staffing up to 4 adults for after school programs for remediation and intervention, including transportation; \$6,256 would be our budgetary contribution to cover monthly insurance premiums for the staff. Ms. Austin stated that she has concerns about the assessments and home visits that would have to be done with some of the programing. Dr. Ripley responded that the home visits are part of the Early Steps for Students piece of the Grant and families would have to opt in to that part for visits to be done and this is a separate piece from the in school piece.

VIII. Announcements: Board Time Sheets are due.

IX. Next regular meeting

- Date: January 25, 2017
- Time: 4:30 p.m.
- Place: Greene Technology Center

X. Adjournment: Chairman Rick Tipton adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m. with no further business,