

ALCOA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
ALCOA, TENNESSEE
JULY 16, 2013
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The Alcoa City Schools' Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 16, 2013, in the Harry B. "Mickey" McClurg Board Room at the Alcoa City Schools' Education Building. On roll call, the following officials were present: Board Members: Steve Marsh, Chairman, presiding; Johnelle Jackson, Vice Chair; Harry B. McClurg, Julie Rochelle, Charles Cameron; Director of Schools and Secretary to Board, Brian Bell; Recorder, Gennie Cardwell, and thirty-six (36) visitors, when the following proceedings were conducted.

Board Chairman Marsh called the meeting to order. The audience participated in a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance.

Board Chairman Marsh asked for comments from the audience.

Dr. Brian Bell, Director of Schools, recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the June 18, 2013 Regular Board Meeting, and the Financial Reports for May, 2013. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Jackson to approve the above named consent items. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell presented the Board with a Personnel Report of retirements, resignations, non-renewals, position status changes, new hires, and internal transfers.

Dr. Bell presented Mr. Barry Brooke, of Lawler-Wood, who updated the Board on the new high school project and presented them with a written copy of the monthly update.

Dr. Bell presented Elementary Principal Merna Schott, Middle School Principal Jim Kirk, and High School Principal Scott Porter, to share events from their schools and to introduce new employees to the Board of Education.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of the 2013-2014 School Year Transportation Agreement with Rocky Top Tours, LLC for the transporting student to and from school. Included in the contract is a fuel adjustment clause to increase or decrease the monthly charge based on the cost of fuel for the previous month of service. Motion was made by Board Member Cameron and duly seconded by Board Member Jackson to approve the 2013-2014 School Year Transportation Agreement with Rocky Top Tours, LLC. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of Children's Mobile Dentistry to provide services for Alcoa Elementary School, Alcoa Middle School and Alcoa High School for the 2013-2014 School Year. Motion was made by Board Member Jackson and duly seconded by Board Member Cameron to approve Children's Mobile Dentistry to provide services for Alcoa City Schools for the 2013-2014 School Year. Each of the Principals in Alcoa City Schools made positive comments as to how the program had greatly benefited the students in their schools this past school year. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on second reading changes to Board Policy 1.108 which requires notice prior to the employment of relatives, and also requires board members to declare the relationship prior to any vote which may impact relatives. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Rochelle to approve on second reading changes in Board Policy 1.108. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on second reading changes to Board Policy 1.802 which will enable oral complaints and oral request for headings with (OCR) The United States Department of Education Office for Civil Rights. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Cameron to approve on second reading changes in Board Policy 1.802. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on second reading changes in Board Policy 5.305 regarding the Family and Medical Leave Act. The new rule allows an eligible employee to take a maximum of 15 days of leave with an eligible service member who is on rest and recuperation, and it expands the eligibility of military care-giver leave. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Jackson to approve on second reading changes in Board Policy 5.305. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on second reading changes in Board Policy 6.316. Public Chapter 214 removes the words "or truancy" from the first offense of the law regarding suspension from schools. Public Chapter 222 clarifies the law to state that principals do not have to punish a student who was involved in an altercation if the principal finds that the student acted in self-defense. Motion was made by Board Member Rochelle and duly seconded by Board Member McClurg to approve on second reading changes in Board Policy 6.316. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board was given a copy of the summary report of the Alcoa City Schools Board of Education yearly self-evaluation and the Board of Education yearly evaluation of the Director of Schools. The Alcoa City Schools Board of Education yearly self-evaluation overall summary was a 5.46 out of a possible 6.0. The Board of Education yearly evaluation of the Director of Schools overall summary was 3.81 out of a possible 4.0.

Dr. Bell updated the Board on upcoming events listed in the Board packet.

Board Chairman Marsh thanked everyone for attending the meeting. With no other business the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Secretary to the Board
Approved July 16, 2013

Chairman to the Board
Approved July 16, 2013