

ALCOA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
ALCOA, TENNESSEE
August 16, 2012
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The Alcoa City Schools' Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, August 16, 2012, 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; Director of Schools and Secretary to Board, Brian Bell; Recorder, Gennie Cardwell, Board Attorney, John Owings, and twenty one (21) 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.

Dr. Brian Bell, Director of Schools, recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the July 17, 2012 Regular Board Meeting. 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 status of the Alcoa High School building project, including a new site plan. Mr. Brooke also notified the Board that he, along with Mr. Chris Soro of C2RL, would be available after the Board Meeting to give a tour of the High School Building Site.

Alcoa Middle Principal, Jim Kirk reported the success of the Academic Achiever's Celebration. Alcoa High School Athletic Director, Josh Stephens updated the Board on upcoming fall athletic events.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of School Nutrition Program Procurement Cooperative Contracts. Motion was made by Board Member Rochelle and duly seconded by Board Member McClurg to approve the use of cooperative procurement contracts awarded by Blount County and Loudon County as described, for our School Nutrition Program. After general discussion motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of a parental and doctor's request for exemption from Tennessee State Compulsory Attendance law on behalf of an Alcoa Elementary student. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Rochelle to approve the request to exempt the student from Tennessee State compulsory attendance laws. After general discussion motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of the Extended Learning Program Application for the 2012-13 school year. Alcoa City Schools will have an approximate 35% reduction in funds for this program from the State of Tennessee this school year. Our system plans to use these funds for remediation and academic activities that support our school system's capacity to meet state achievement targets and "Gap Closure" targets. We expect to be able to fund these academic activities at the same level as last year. Funding cuts will first affect non-remedial activities and other activities that are not directly linked with increasing academic achievement. Motion was made by Board Member Jackson and duly seconded by Board Member Rochelle to approve the 2012-2013 Extended Learning Program Proposal. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board was presented with the results of the 2012 Alcoa City Schools Director Evaluation and the results of the 2012 Alcoa City Schools School Board Self-Assessment. Alcoa City Schools Director of Schools Dr. Brian Bell received an overall evaluation rating of 3.80 out of a possible 4.0 and the Alcoa City School Board of Education received an overall evaluation rating of 5.27 out of a possible 6.0.

Dr. Bell updated the Board on upcoming events and informed the Board of the Chair Persons named to head the 2012-2013 Study Committees.

Board Chairman Marsh thanked everyone for attending the meeting. With no other business the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Secretary to the Board
Approved September 19, 2012

Chairman to the Board
Approved September 19, 2012