

ALCOA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
ALCOA, TENNESSEE
MARCH 27, 2013
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The Alcoa City Schools' Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 27, 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 fifteen (15) 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 February 14, 2013, Regular Board Meeting and the Financial Reports for January, 2013. Motion was made by Board Member Jackson and duly seconded by Board Member Cameron 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 two of our School Principals, Merna Schott and Scott Porter, as well as Vice Principal Bledsoe to share events from their schools.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on second reading, of revisions to Board Policy 5.109. Our new policy notes that we have adopted the TIGER evaluation model that has been approved by the State Department of Education. Also new to Policy 5.109, Evaluation, is the change in the evaluation structure of Non-Licensed Personnel, noting the fact that all Non-Licensed Personnel will be evaluated a minimum of one time per year. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Rochelle to approve on second reading the recommended changes in Board Policy 5.109, Evaluation. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval on second reading, of revision to Board Policy 6.201, Compulsory Attendance Ages. This updates our policy to align with new state law (TCA 49-6-201), which changes the age of a child entering kindergarten from age five (5) on or before September 30th of the current school term, to age five (5) on or before

August 31 for the 2103-2014 school year and on or before August 15 for all school years thereafter. The new policy also allows the parents/legal guardians of any child that will be five (5) years of age on or before September 30, to request that the child be admitted into kindergarten. Upon a request, the director of schools shall administer an evaluation and examination. If the results indicate that the child is sufficiently mature emotionally and academically, then the child may be enrolled into kindergarten. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Cameron to approve on second reading the recommended changes in Board Policy 6.201, Compulsory Attendance Ages. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of an out-of-state field trip to Six Flags Over Georgia located in Atlanta, Georgia by the AHS Concert Choir April 20, 2013 and return that night. Approximately 40 students will be participating with four adults to supervise the trip. Motion was made by Board Member Jackson and duly seconded by Board Member McClurg to approve the Alcoa High School Concert Choir field trip to Six Flags over Georgia. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell recommended the approval of an out-of-state field trip to King's Island located in Cincinnati, Ohio by the AMS Concert Choir and Band students, Friday, May 3, 2013, and return that night. Approximately 200 students will be participating with (5) five faculty members as well as several other parent volunteers to supervise the trip. Motion was made by Board Member McClurg and duly seconded by Board Member Cameron to approve the Alcoa Middle School Concert Choir and Band students field trip to King's Island. After general discussion the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Dr. Bell updated the Board on upcoming events listed in the Board packet as well as his notes from "Day on the Hill" and Common Core and PARCC time-line.

Board Chairman Marsh thanked everyone for attending the meeting. With no other business the meeting was adjourned at 5:40p.m.

Secretary to the Board
Approved April 16, 2013

Chairman to the Board
Approved April 16, 2013