

## MINUTES OF THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 3, 2017

The Morgan County Board of Education met in called session on August 3, 2017 at the Office of the Board, 235 HWY 67 South Decatur AL 35603. No work session was held that evening.

Board members present for the meeting: Vice Chairman Adam Glenn and BOE members Billy Rhodes, John Holley, Paul Holmes, Jimmy Dobbs and Tom Earwood. Also present was Superintendent Bill W. Hopkins, Jr.

Vice Chairman Glenn called the meeting to order.

Mr. Dobbs opened the meeting with prayer and Mr. Earwood led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

### WELCOME

Vice Chairman Glenn welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGENDA CHANGES

Vice Chairman Glenn asked for the agenda changes to be announced.

It was announced that personnel items 22, 23 and 24 would be added to the agenda. Board members were then supplied with the appropriate supporting documentation for each addition.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Vice Chairman Glenn asked for a motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

Mr. Rhodes moved and Mr. Holley seconded the motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

The motion was unanimously approved with the exception of Chairman Mike Tarpley who Vice Chairman Glenn announced was absent from the meeting.

### PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Vice Chairman Glenn asked if there was anyone in attendance at the meeting who wished to address the Board.

There were no requests from anyone at the meeting to address the Board.

### PERSONNEL

(The employment of any individual listed below will be on a temporary-emergency basis pending background clearance.)

The Superintendent recommended that personnel items one through twenty-four be approved as written:

1. Accept resignation from Pam Blackwood as CNP worker at Priceville Junior High School effective August 4, 2017. (See attachment)
2. Accept resignation from Alison Thomas as math teacher at Falkville High School effective July 25, 2017. (See attachment)
3. Accept resignation from Guandaline Westmoreland as custodian at the Morgan County Schools Central Office effective August 1, 2017. (See attachment)
4. Accept resignation from Brandy Borden as countywide bus aide effective July 27, 2017. (See attachment)
5. Accept resignation from Maria Morgan as countywide SPE aide effective July 31, 2017. (See attachment)
6. Approve transfer of Celisa Dooley from kindergarten teacher at Union Hill School to countywide (Eva School) K-6 teacher effective August 4, 2017. Ms. Dooley will be replacing Gary Pearce who was reassigned within school. (See attachments)
7. Approve employment of Whitney Chappell Eddy as K-8 teacher for Morgan County Schools (Union Hill School) effective August 4, 2017. Ms. Eddy will be replacing Celisa Dooley who is being recommended for a transfer. (See attachments)
8. Approve employment of Connie Abner Merrill as Social Studies Teacher 5-8 at Danville Middle School effective August 4, 2017. Ms. Merrill will be replacing Anita Burgess who resigned. (See attachments)
9. Approve employment of Phillip Monroe Gross as math teacher 9-12 at Danville High School effective August 4, 2017. Mr. Gross will be replacing Victoria Counce who resigned. (See attachments)
10. Approve employment of Deborah Ann Halbrooks as countywide teacher (Danville Neel Elementary School) effective August 4, 2017. Ms. Halbrooks will be replacing Paula Burch who resigned. (See attachments)
11. Approve employment of Cari Lynn Alderton as K-6 teacher at Union Hill School effective August 4, 2017. Ms. Alderton will be replacing Kristy Oldacre who was reassigned. (See attachments)
12. Approve employment of Nancy Mcknight Ruff as countywide (Lacey's Spring School) K-6 teacher effective August 4, 2017. Ms. Ruff will be replacing Heather Mahan who transferred. (See attachments)
13. Accept resignation from Stephanie Long as CNP worker at Eva School effective July 26, 2017. (See attachment)
14. Approve school to school transfer of Brian Ellis from counselor at the Morgan County Learning Center to counselor at the Morgan County Learning Center and Sparkman School effective with school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
15. Approve within school reassignment of Jennifer Whitley-Childers from 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher to 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Danville Neel Elementary School effective with school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
16. Approve within school reassignment of Connie Gibbs from 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade math teacher to 4<sup>th</sup> grade science/language/writing teacher at Falkville Elementary School effective with school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)

17. Approve within school reassignment of Linda Self from 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade language teacher to 5<sup>th</sup> grade math/language/writing teacher at Falkville Elementary School effective with school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
18. Approve within school reassignment of Paula Owens from 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade science teacher to 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading/science/social studies teacher at Falkville Elementary School effective with school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
19. Approve within school reassignment of Lynne Greene from 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade social studies teacher to 4<sup>th</sup> grade math teacher at Falkville Elementary school effective with school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
20. Approve employee supplemental contract with Kenneth Thomas as head custodian at Priceville High School effective for contract year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
21. Approve catastrophic leave of absence request effective August 1, 2017 through October 2, 2017 from Melissa Green, CNP worker at West Morgan High School. (See attachments)
22. Accept resignation from his position as 6<sup>th</sup> grade math teacher at West Morgan Middle School effective August 3, 2017 from James Miller. (See attachment)
23. Approve employment of Misti Coomer Palmer as countywide (WMES) EL teacher effective August 4, 2017. Ms. Palmer will be replacing Traci Cherry who resigned. (See attachments)
24. Accept resignation from his duties as West Morgan Middle School Girls' Basketball Coach effective August 31, 2017 from Todd Stephens. (See attachments)

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Holmes seconded the motion to approve personnel items one through twenty-four as written.

The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Board members were thanked for taking time out of their schedules to conduct this special called meeting for personnel.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Signed this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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Mike Tarpley, Chairman, Morgan County Board of Education

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Bill W. Hopkins, Jr., Superintendent, Morgan County Schools

