

## **MINUTES OF THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

### **ANNUAL MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2017**

The Morgan County Board of Education met for their Annual Meeting at the Office of the Board, 235 HWY 67 South Decatur AL 35603, on November 14, 2017.

A thirty minute work session was conducted at the Office of the Board prior to the business meeting.

Present for the meeting were: Chairman Mike Tarpley, Vice Chairman Adam Glenn, Board Members Billy Rhodes, John Holley, Paul Holmes, Tom Earwood, Jimmy Dobbs and Superintendent Bill W. Hopkins, Jr.

Chairman Tarpley called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Mr. Cayden Childers opened the meeting with prayer and Mr. Blake Bennett led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **WELCOME**

Chairman Tarpley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGENDA CHANGES**

Chairman Tarpley asked for the agenda changes to be announced. It was announced that action items 19A and 19B would be added to the agenda as would personnel items 18 through 21. The Board members received the appropriate supporting documents for each addition during the work session.

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Chairman Tarpley called for a motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

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

The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **STUDENT LEADERSHIP SHOWCASE-COTACO JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, PRINCIPAL MR. BRAD STAPLER**

Students from Cotaco School shared information about their Robotics Team with the Board members.

#### **RECOGNITION OF DANVILLE 4-H WILDLIFE TEAM**

Members of the Danville 4-H Wildlife Team were presented with a plaque in honor of placing first in the 2017 State Competition and 12<sup>th</sup> in 2017 National Competition.

#### **RECOGNITION OF DANVILLE 4-H SHOOTING TEAM, BAMA CLAY BUSTERS**

Members of the Danville 4-H Shooting Team, Bama Clay Busters, were not present at the meeting for their recognition. Plaques commemorating the team's success in several competitions held this year will be forwarded to the school.

**PRESENTATION OF COMMUNITY GRANTS TO MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOLS-REPRESENTATIVE TERRI COLLINS**

Representative Collins presented the Danville School administrators with community grant funds to be used at their schools.

**PRESENTATION OF COMMUNITY GRANTS TO MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOLS-REPRESENTATIVE RANDALL SHEDD**

Representative Shedd presented several schools with community grant funds to be used at their school. The schools receiving community grant funds through Representative Shedd are Albert P. Brewer High School, Eva School and Union Hill School.

Senator Arthur Orr was also present at the meeting and was thanked for the mini-grant funds he has recently presented to several Morgan County schools.

**PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

The Chairman asked if there was anyone in attendance at the meeting who would like to address the Board. There were no requests from anyone attending the meeting to address the Board.

**ELECTION OF THE 2017-2018 MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Holmes nominated Mr. Adam Glenn to serve as the Chairman of the Board for the upcoming year. Mr. Dobbs moved that the nominations be closed.

Mr. Glenn was unanimously approved to serve as the Chairman of the Board for the upcoming year. At this time past Chairman Mike Tarpley turned leading the remainder of the Board meeting over to Chairman Glenn.

**ELECTION OF THE 2017-2018 MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION VICE CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Rhodes nominated Mr. Tom Earwood to serve as the Vice Chairman of the Board for the upcoming year. Mr. Dobbs moved that the nominations be closed.

Mr. Earwood was unanimously approved to serve as the Vice Chairman of the Board for the upcoming year.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

(For the consent agenda, the Board has been furnished with background material on each item. These will be acted upon with one vote without discussion. If a Board member wants to discuss any item, it will be pulled off the consent agenda and voted on separately.)

**MINUTES**

Approve minutes from the October 12, 2017 meeting of the Morgan County Board of Education. (Copies attached)

**FIELD TRIPS**

**Approve request for out of state travel on March 21-24, 2018 from Morgan County Mech Tech Robotics Team 3959. Approximately thirty (30) team members and their chaperones will travel to Knoxville, TN for the purpose of participating in the FIRST Robotics Smokey Mountain Regional competition. (See attachments)**

**Approve request for out of state travel on April 18-21, 2018 from Morgan County Mech Tech Robotics Team 3959. Approximately thirty (30) team members and their chaperones will travel to Houston, TX for the purpose of participating in the FIRST Robotics Championship Competition. (See attachments)**

#### **CONTRACTS**

**Approve supplemental contract with Logan Barkley to serve as Head Football Coach (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade) at Brewer High School effective for contract year 2017-2018. Mr. Barkley is a non-staff/non-certified coach who will be accompanied by certified personnel when interacting with students. (See attachments)**

**Approve supplemental contract with Jeremiah Hall to serve as head football coach (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>) at Brewer High School effective contract year 2017-2018. Mr. Hall is a non-staff/non-certified coach who will be accompanied by certified personnel when interacting with students. (See attachments)**

**Approve contract for services with Kelly Smith Corta to provide translating services for Morgan County Schools as needed effective November 15, 2017 through September 30, 2018. (See attachments)**

**Approve contract for services with Maria E Ruiz-Sanchez to provide translating and interpreting services for Morgan County Schools effective November 15, 2017 to September 20, 2018 as needed. (See attachments)**

**Approve supplemental contract with Johnathan Jones as head football (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>) at Brewer High School effective for contract year 2017-2018. Mr. Jones is a non-staff/non-certified coach who will be accompanied by certified personnel while interacting with students. (See attachments)**

#### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Approve expenses for the month ending September 30, 2017. (See attachments)**

**Approve bank reconciliations for the month ending September 30, 2017. (See attachments)**

**Mr. Tarpley moved and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.**

**The motion was unanimously approved.**

**APPROVED CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH EARL LEONARD**

Mr. Holmes moved and Mr. Holley seconded the motion to approve contract for services (extended) with Earl Leonard to serve as interim principal at Lacey's Spring School (7 hours per day) until, and not past, January 2, 2018.

Voting affirmative: Mr. Holley, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Glenn, Mr. Tarpley and Mr. Dobbs.  
Abstaining: Mr. Earwood and Mr. Rhodes.

The motion carried.

**APPROVED MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY PLAN**

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Earwood seconded the motion to approve the Morgan County Board of Education Technology Plan for 2017-2018 as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**APPROVED TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF POLICY GBA-E**

Mr. Holmes moved and Mr. Tarpley seconded the motion to approve temporary suspension of MCBOE policy GBA-E Salary Schedules and Payrolls for the month of December 2017. The temporary suspension of this policy will allow for the issuance of payroll checks on December 18<sup>th</sup> instead of December 29<sup>th</sup>.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**APPROVED MCBOE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2018-2019**

Mr. Holley moved and Mr. Dobbs seconded the motion to, per MCBOE policy BCA 2.4(2) Board Meetings, approve MCBOE meeting schedule effective December 2018 through November 2019.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**APPROVED CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH SUSAN THOMPSON**

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Tarpley seconded the motion to approve contract for services with Susan Thompson to direct the 2018 Spring musical Oklahoma for Morgan County Schools.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**APPROVED INCREASE IN PAY FOR MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOLS CSFO**

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Earwood seconded the motion to give Mr. Brian Bishop (MCS CSFO) an additional one percent (1%) raise above stated contract to be retroactive to the date of the contract.

The motion was unanimously approved.

#### PERSONNEL

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

The Superintendent recommends the following items be approved as written:

1. Approve family medical leave of absence request from Linda Mitchell, custodian at Priceville Elementary School, effective September 13, 2017 through December 14, 2017. (See attachments)
2. Approve contract for services with Walter Frank Loosier to serve as AMSTI driver to assigned schools for Morgan County Schools effective October 16, 2017 through June 30, 2018 (as needed). (See attachments)
3. Approve leave of absence request (bus driver position only) from Karol Legg-Ball, countywide (Sparkman) bus driver, effective November 1, 2017 through January 4, 2018. (See attachment)
4. Approve leave of absence request from Renate Galyean, bus driver at Sparkman School, effective August 15, 2017 through October 16, 2017. (See attachment)
5. Approve within school transfer of Tara Humphries from payroll clerk to payroll specialist at the Central Office effective November 15, 2017. (See attachments)
6. Approve within school transfer of Sandy Wilkinson from accounts payable clerk to accounts payable specialist at the Central Office effective November 15 2017. (See attachments)
7. Approve school to school transfer of Kerry Ozbolt from ½ time PE teacher at Falkville High School ½ time PE teacher at Falkville Elementary School to full-time PE teacher at Falkville Elementary School effective November 15, 2017. (See attachments)
8. Approve employment of Jennifer Lawrence as full-time CNP worker at Union Hill School effective November 15, 2017. Ms. Lawrence will be replacing Patti Childers who retired. (See attachments)
9. Accept notice of retirement as bus driver at West Morgan High School effective January 1, 2018 from Jeff Blair. (See attachment)
10. Approve contract for services with Renee Hardin to provide transportation for an eligible student from Falkville School to Austinville Elementary and back (as needed) beginning September 14, 2017. (See attachment)
11. Accept notice of retirement as secretary at Danville High School effective January 31, 2018 from Julie Boger. (See attachment)
12. Accept resignation as a custodian at Priceville High School effective October 31, 2017 from Betty Kelsoe. (See attachment)

13. Approve employment of Tasha Nicole Caudle as countywide bus driver aide (Sparkman School) effective November 15, 2017. Ms. Caudle will be replacing Staci Harper who transferred. (See attachments)
14. Approve employee supplemental contract with April Vinzant to serve as head custodian at Priceville High School effective November 1, 2017. (See attachment)
15. Approve supplemental contract with Emily Williams as girls basketball assistant at Priceville Junior High School effective contract year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
16. Approve supplemental contract with Charles Thompson as assistant baseball coach at Priceville Junior High School effective contract year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
17. Approve transfer of Lori Elizabeth Childers from custodian at Brewer High School to countywide bus driver (Brewer High School) effective November 15, 2017. Ms. Childers will be replacing James Tyler who was promoted. (See attachments)
18. Accept resignation as head football coach at Danville High School effective November 13, 2017 from Josh LouAlien. (See attachment)
19. Accept resignation as head football coach at Priceville High School effective November 13, 2017 from Dirk Strunk. (See attachment)
20. Approve promotion of Kellie Tanner to Federal Programs Director for Morgan County Schools (from principal at Danville Middle School) effective January 3, 2018. Ms. Tanner will be replacing Jackie Kinney who retired. (See attachments)
21. Approve promotion of Dr. Jeremy Childers to Career Tech Director for Morgan County Schools (from principal at Brewer High School) effective January 3, 2018. Dr. Childers will be replacing Chris Blevins who retired. (See attachments)

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

The motion was unanimously approved.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Board members thanked Cotaco School for their presentation and thanked the Legislative Delegation for their support. Ms. Tanner and Dr. Childers were welcomed as new Central Office Directors.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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

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Adam Glenn, Chairman, Morgan County Board of Education

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

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Recorder