

MINUTES OF THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

DECEMBER 14, 2017

6:00 P.M.

The Morgan County Board of Education met in regular session on December 14, 2017 at the Office of the Board located at 235 HWY 67 South Decatur AL 35603. A work session was held prior to the business meeting that evening (5:30 p.m.).

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

Chairman Glenn called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

Mr. Mike Tarpley opened the meeting with prayer and Miss Olivia Wiley led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME

Chairman Glenn welcomed everyone to the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGENDA CHANGES

Chairman Glenn asked that the agenda changes be announced. It was announced that personnel items ten through sixteen (10-16) would be added to the business meeting agenda. It was also announced that the Board members had received the agenda changes and all appropriate supporting documentation during tonight's work session.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

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

The motion was unanimously approved.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP SHOWCASE-DANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, PRINCIPAL MR. MARTY CHAMBERS

Miss Alania Wiley updated the Board on different ways the DHS student body take advantage of opportunities to give back to their community. Several examples of community service were given including hosting a special needs prom and a special needs rodeo, participating in Hurricane Irma relief efforts, participation in can food drives and tornado relief efforts that assisted those impacted by recent storms in the Danville community.

**RECOGNITION OF MRS. SHERRI MANN, ALABAMA ASSOCIATION FOR GIFTED CHILDREN
COORDINATOR OF THE YEAR**

Mrs. Sherri Mann was recognized by the Superintendent and Board for being selected the 2018 Alabama Association for Gifted Children Coordinator of the Year. A plaque was presented to Mrs. Mann commemorating this achievement.

PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

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

APPROVED 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 November 14, 2017 meeting of the Morgan County Board of Education. (Copy attached)

CONTRACTS

Approve contract for services with Tara Sivley to provide tutoring services for Danville-Neel Elementary School effective January 8, 2018 through April 26, 2018. (See attachments)

Approve contract for services with Lavada Wright to provide transportation for an eligible student from school to home each day student attends during the 2017-2018 school year starting November 20, 2017. (See attachment)

Approve contract for services with Sheryl Brock to provide tutoring services for Morgan County Schools (Falkville Elementary School) effective January 4, 2018 through May 11, 2018. (See attachments)

FIELD TRIPS

Approve out of state field trip request effective April 23-25, 2018 from Brewer High School. Approximately twenty-five (25) students (science club members) and their chaperones will travel to Ocean Springs, MS for the purpose of touring the Ocean Springs Marine Lab. (See attached request)

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Approve expenditures for the month ended October 31, 2017. (See attachments)

Approve bank reconciliations for the month ended October 31, 2017. (See attachments)

Mr. Tarpley moved and Mr. Holmes seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVED AMENDED MEETING SCHEDULE OF THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Holley seconded the motion to approve the amended meeting schedule of the Morgan County Board of Education to include the annual meeting date of November 13, 2018. This date was left off of the meeting schedule that was approved by the Board on November 14, 2017.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVED MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOLS 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Mr. Holley moved and Mr. Holmes seconded the motion to approve Morgan County Schools 2018-2019 school year calendar, Option 1, as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT OF MERCER AND ASSOCIATES

Mr. Earwood moved and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to approve resolution authorizing the employment of Mercer and Associates CPA to perform an audit of the Morgan County Schools for the period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

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 personnel items one through sixteen be approved as written:

1. Accept notice of retirement from her position as CNP worker at Danville High School effective January 1, 2018 from Donna Templeton. (See attachment)
2. Approve school to school transfer of Carrie Aultman from full-time TAG teacher at Priceville Elementary School to countywide TAG teacher (PES and PJHS) effective for school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
3. Accept notice of retirement from her position as library media specialist at Danville High School effective December 19, 2017 from DeAnne St. John. (See attachment)
4. Approve employment of Gary Michael Norwood as custodian at Priceville High School effective December 15, 2017. Mr. Norwood will be replacing Betty Kelsoe who resigned. (See attachments)
5. Approve employment of Sheila Michelle Blaxton as secretary at Danville High School effective February 1, 2018. Ms. Blaxton will be replacing Julie Boger who retired. (See attachments)
6. Accept resignation from her position as custodian at Priceville Elementary School effective December 14, 2017 from Linda Mitchell. (See attachment)
7. Accept retirement notice from her position as health occupation teacher at Brewer High School effective July 1, 2018 from Eva Mangham. (See attachment)

8. Accept resignation notice from her position as counselor at Danville High School effective February 1, 2018 from Carol Terry. (See attachment)
9. Approve catastrophic leave of absence request effective December 14, 2017 through February 26, 2018 from Carrie Knop Johnson, teacher at West Morgan Elementary School. (See attachment)
10. Accept notice of retirement from her position as second grade teacher at Eva School effective January 1, 2018 from Kathy Dubberly. (See attachment)
11. Accept notice of retirement from her position as third grade teacher at Sparkman School effective January 1, 2018 from Loronda Sparkman. (See attachment)
12. Accept notice of retirement from her position as Drivers Education/Environmental Science teacher at Brewer High School effective January 1, 2018 from Nelda Coker. (See attachment)
13. Approve transfer of Brad Stapler from principal at Cotaco School to principal at Brewer High School effective January 3, 2018. Mr. Stapler will be replacing Dr. Jeremy Childers who was promoted. (See attachments)
14. Approve promotion of Chad Kelsoe from assistant principal at West Morgan Middle/High School to principal at Danville Middle School effective January 3, 2018. Mr. Kelsoe will be replacing Kellie Tanner who was promoted. (See attachments)
15. Approve promotion of Matt Adams from counselor at Brewer High School to principal at Lacey's Spring School effective January 3, 2018. Mr. Adams will be replacing Houston Blackwood who resigned. (See attachments)
16. Approve Kim Crow as interim principal at Cotaco School effective January 3, 2018 until the position is filled at principal pay.

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to approve personnel items one through sixteen as written.

The motion was unanimously approved.

INFORMATIONAL

- Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2017, Fiscal Period 09

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Patterson was thanked for all of his hard work on generating the upcoming school year calendar. All new principals were congratulated on their new assignments.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Signed this the _____ day of _____, 2018.

Mr. Adam Glenn, Chairman, Morgan County Board of Education

Mr. Bill W. Hopkins, Jr., Superintendent

Recorder