

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

**APRIL 12, 2018**

The Morgan County Board of Education met in regular session on April 12, 2018 at the Office of the Board, 235 HWY 67 South Decatur AL 35603. The Board did not conduct a work session on April 12, 2018.

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

Chairman Glenn called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Mr. Billy Rhodes opened the meeting with prayer and Priceville Junior High School student Katie Chitham led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **WELCOME**

Chairman Glenn welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGENDA CHANGES**

The Superintendent distributed copies of the agenda changes and their supporting documents to the Board members for their review. The Board had no questions concerning the proposed agenda changes.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Tarpley seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

### **STUDENT LEADERSHIP SHOWCASE-PRICEVILLE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, PRINCIPAL MRS. MARY SPEEGLE**

Priceville Junior High School's showcase focused on showing appreciation to the Board for their support of technology. The students shared information about several programs that are technology based: Miss Katie Chitham-Schoolology and Google Classroom; Elijah Hopkins-Study Island; Bella Thrash-Spanish Access; Landon McCulloch-Chromebook repairs.

### **RECOGNITION OF SKILL POINT CERTIFICATION RECIPIENTS-2017 SkillsUSA NATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND SKILLS CONFERENCE**

Student receiving Skill Point Certification at the 2017 SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference were presented with awards of recognition. Receiving awards: Mr. Jacob Humphrey (Brewer High School)-Welding; Miss Ila Cagle (Brewer High School)-Cosmetology; Mr. Cody Craft (Brewer High School)-Automotive Service Technology.

### **RECOGNITION OF STATE AND SCHOOL DISTRICT WINNERS IN THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT'S VISUAL ARTS EXHIBIT AND BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

**Students winning at the District and State levels of the State Superintendent's Visual Arts Exhibit and Bicentennial Celebration were presented with awards of recognition. Receiving awards:**

**District Winners**

**Piper Harvey-Cotaco School**

**Anna Swindell-Priceville High School**

**Jacob Nelson-Falkville High School**

**Steven Parker-Brewer High School**

**Rachelle Harden-Priceville High School**

**Zoe Hill-West Morgan High School**

**Gabrielle Legg-Falkville High School**

**LeiAnn Smith-Brewer High School**

**Jenna Price-Danville High School**

**Tate Rogers-Priceville High School**

**District and State Winners**

**Conner Simms-Brewer High School**

**Jessica Morrow-Brewer High School**

**Jessica Morrow, who was unable to attend the meeting, was also recognized for receiving the 2018 Congressional Blue Ribbon Art Award which was presented by Congressman Mo Brooks at the Huntsville Museum of Art. As the winner of the 2018 Congressional Blue Ribbon Art Award Miss Morrow received a \$12,000.00 scholarship to Savannah College of Art and Design along with two round trip airfare tickets to Washington D.C. Miss Morrow's art will hang in the United States Capitol for one year and will be displayed at the Huntsville Museum of Art until the end of April 2018.**

**The Superintendent also recognized Miss Nastia Frye, Priceville Elementary School, as the recipient of a Make-A-Wish Foundation sponsored trip to Disney. Mr. Hopkins asked Miss Frye to please come back and give the Board a report on her trip when she returns from Disney.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**MINUTES**

**Approve minutes from the March 6, 2018 meeting of the Morgan County Board of Education. (Copies attached)**

### **BIDS**

**Approve extension of the Grounds Service Bid #17-01 for April 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019 as presented. (See attachments)**

### **FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS**

**Approve expenditures for the month ended February 28, 2018. (See attachments)**

**Approve local school bank reconciliations for the month ended February 28, 2018. (See attachments)**

**Approve general ledger and CNP bank reconciliations for the month ended February 28, 2018. (See attachments)**

### **FIELD TRIPS**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective April 25, 2018 from Priceville High School. Approximately one-hundred (100) senior students and their chaperones will travel to Atlanta, GA for the purpose of an educational senior trip. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective June 27-July 3, 2018 from West Morgan High School. Approximately seven (7) students and their chaperones will travel to Atlanta, GA for the purpose of attending the 2018 FCCLA National Conference and Star Event competition. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective May 9-11, 2018 from Cotaco School. Approximately twenty-one (21) students (archery team members) and their chaperones will travel to Louisville, KY for the purpose of competing in the National Archery in the Schools Program national competition. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective June 14-15, 2018 from Priceville High School. Approximately twenty (20) students (girls' basketball team members) and their chaperones will travel to Chattanooga, TN for the purpose of participating in a play date at the University of Chattanooga. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective April 25-30, 2019 from West Morgan High School. Approximately nine (9) students (FACS) and their chaperones will travel to Orlando, FL for the purpose of attending the Epcot World Showcase. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective June 27, 2018 through July 2, 2018 from Priceville High School. One (1) student (FCCLA State Officer) and a chaperone will travel to Atlanta, GA for the purpose of attending the FCCLA National convention. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective May 30, 2018 through June 2, 2018 from Priceville High School. Approximately eighteen (18) students (cheerleaders) and their chaperone will be traveling to Starkville, MS for the purpose of attending UCA Cheer Camp at Mississippi State University. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective May 2, 2018 through May 6, 2018 from Priceville High School. Approximately fifty-two (52) students (band students) and their chaperones will be traveling to Orlando, FL for the purpose of performing at Disney World. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective June 4-6, 2018 from Priceville High School. Approximately twelve (12) students (varsity girls' basketball players) and their chaperones will travel to Murray, KY for the purpose of participating in a play date at Murray State University. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective June 4, 2018 from Priceville High School. Approximately twenty (20) students (girls' basketball team members) and their chaperones will travel to Nashville, TN for the purpose of participating in a play date at David Lipscomb University. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective June 28, 2018 through July 2, 2018 from Brewer High School. One student (FCCLA member) and their chaperones will be traveling to Atlanta, GA for the purpose of attending the FCCLA National Leadership Conference and S.T.A.R. events competition. (See attachment)**

**Approve request for out of state travel effective May 7, 2018 from Priceville Junior High School. Approximately fifty (50) eighth grade students and their chaperones will travel to Shiloh, TN for the purpose of visiting the Shiloh National Military Park. (See attachment)**

### **CONTRACTS**

**Approve contract for services with Shohn Ann Miller effective February 26, 2018. Ms. Miller will provide transportation for an eligible student from home to school and back each day the student attends school during the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year. (See attachment)**

**Approve contract for services with Nadine Roberts effective April 13, 2018 through May 24, 2018. Ms. Roberts will be providing tutoring services as needed for Morgan County Schools. (See attachments)**

**Approve contract with Haley Breanna Barnette to serve as assistant softball coach (shared) at Priceville High School effective contract year 2017-2018. Ms. Barnette is a non-staff/non-certified coach who will be accompanied by certified MCS personnel while interacting with students. (See attachment)**

**Approve contract renewal with ITS for Wide Area Network (WAN) services in the upcoming eRate funding cycle year 2. Contract terms are July 1, 2017-June 30, 2020-36 months: optional one-year extension of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. (See attachments)**

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

**The motion was unanimously approved.**

**APPROVED REQUEST TO CONDUCT GIRLS' BASKETBALL CAMP AT PRICEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**

**Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Tarpley seconded the motion to approve a request to conduct the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Morgan County Girls' Basketball Camp at the Priceville High School Gymnasiums on May 29-June 1, 2018.**

**The motion was unanimously approved.**

**APPROVED CONTRACT WITH VIRGINIA HOLCOMB**

**Mr. Earwood moved and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to approve a contract for services with Virginia Holcomb to provide LPN nursing services for Morgan County Schools on an as needed basis.**

**The motion was unanimously approved.**

**APPROVED REVISED TRAVEL DATE FOR OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP-MORGAN COUNTY ROBOTICS TEAM MECH TECH 3959**

**Mr. Holley moved and Mr. Holmes seconded the motion to approve revised travel dates for an out of state field trip request from the Morgan County Schools Robotics Team Mech Tech 3959. The revision will add one additional day for travel to the original request which was approved by the BOE on November 14, 2017. Revised dates of travel will be April 18-22, 2018. The team will be traveling to Houston, TX for the purpose of competing in the FIRST Robotics World Championships.**

**The motion was unanimously approved.**

**APPROVED OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP REQUEST FROM FALKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**

**Mr. Tarpley moved and Mr. Dobbs seconded the motion to approve an out of state field trip request from Falkville High School effective April 29, 2018 through May 5, 2018. Approximately four (4) students (FFA Land Judging Team Members) and their chaperone will travel to Oklahoma City, OK for the purpose of competing in the 2018 FFA Land Judging National Contest.**

The motion was unanimously approved.

**APPROVED OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP REQUEST FROM COTACO SCHOOL**

Mr. Earwood moved and Mr. Dobbs seconded the motion to approve an out of state field trip request from Cotaco School effective May 9-10, 2018. Approximately thirteen (13) students (elementary archery team members) and their chaperones will travel to Louisville, KY for the purpose of participating in the 2018 National Archery in the Schools Program National Competition.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**PERSONNEL**

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

The Superintendent recommends the following personnel items one through twenty be approved as written:

1. Accept resignation from his supplemental duties as head boys' basketball coach at Brewer High School effective after the 2018 basketball season from Doug Oldacre. (See attachments)
2. Approve March 19, 2018 as the revised employment date for Anna V. Stanley, counselor at Sparkman School.
3. Approve medical catastrophic leave of absence request effective March 26, 2018 through May 25, 2018 (as needed) from Cynthia Greene, teacher, Cotaco School. (See attachment)
4. Accept resignation from her duties as CNP manager at West Morgan Elementary School effective May 25, 2018 from Debbie Seal. (See attachment)
5. Accept notice of retirement from his duties as mechanic for Morgan County Schools effective April 1, 2018 from Rickey Fortenberry. (See attachment)
6. Accept resignation from his coaching duties (head football/track) and teaching assignment (health) at West Morgan High School effective March 30, 2018 from John Ritter. (See attachment)
7. Approve school to school transfer of Terina Nelson from full-time PE teacher at Priceville Junior High School to PE teacher at Priceville Junior High School and Priceville High School effective school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
8. Approve school to school transfer of Brandon Tew from full-time agriscience teacher at Priceville Junior High School to agriscience teacher at Sparkman School and Priceville Junior High School effective school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
9. Approve school to school transfer of Darrell Haynes from full-time PE teacher at Priceville Junior High School to PE teacher at Priceville High School and Priceville Junior High School effective school year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
10. Accept notice of retirement effective June 1, 2018 from her duties as bus driver at Lacey's Spring School from Wanda (Dyan) Raines. (See attachment)

11. Accept resignation as assistant coach for the Brewer High School girls' basketball team effective at the end of the 2017-2018 season from Cristen Black. (See attachment)
12. Approve employment of Justin Lynn Henley as teacher/head basketball coach at West Morgan High School effective August 1, 2018. This is a new position. Mr. Henley is replacing Mr. Sam Wallace who resigned as the head basketball coach. (See attachments)
13. Accept notice of retirement from her duties as CNP worker at Falkville High School effective June 1, 2018 from Karen Tapscott. (See attachment)
14. Approve employee supplemental contract with Phillip Banks as track coach at West Morgan High School effective for contract year 2017-2018. (See attachments)
15. Approve catastrophic leave of absence request (as needed) effective April 10, 2018 through May 25, 2018 from Jackson Schuster, teacher at West Morgan Middle School. (See attachments)
16. Approve catastrophic leave of absence request effective April 9, 2018 through August 1, 2018 from Bethany Beavers Compton, teacher at Danville High School. (See attachments)
17. Approve employee supplemental contract with Deedee Hendrix to serve as assistant softball coach (shared) at Priceville High School effective contract year 2017-2018. (See attachment)
18. Approve employment of Teri H. Dutton as payroll specialist for Morgan County Schools effective May 1, 2018. Ms. Dutton will be replacing Tara Humphries who was promoted. (See attachments)
19. Approve employment of James Mikel Riggs as full-time teacher and head football coach at West Morgan High School effective April 18, 2018. Mr. Riggs will be replacing John Ritter who is resigning. (See attachments)
20. Approve promotion of Kim Crow from interim principal at Cotaco School to principal at Cotaco School effective April 13, 2018. Ms. Crow will be replacing Mr. Brad Stapler who was promoted. (See attachments)

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

The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

The Board thanked Priceville Junior High School for their presentation. Ms. Crow was congratulated on her new assignment as principal at Cotaco School. Board members and the Superintendent said they enjoyed the recently held MCS Arts Festival and that they were looking forward to the upcoming countywide play. The Robotics team was wished good luck at the upcoming FIRST Robotics World Competition.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business before the Board Chairman Glenn adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Signed this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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

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**Mr. Bill W. Hopkins, Jr., Superintendent of Morgan County Schools**

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**Initials of Minutes Recorder-Connie Goode**