

Obion County Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting

February 2, 2015

The Obion County Board of Education met in regular session on February 2, 2015 at Obion County Central High School. Board Chairman, Brian Rainey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led everyone in prayer. Mr. Russell Davis called the roll. Mr. Fritz Fussell, Ms. Keisha Hooper, Mr. David Lamb, Mr. Scott Northam, Ms. Mickey Preciado, Mr. Brian Rainey, and Ms. Diane Sanderson were present. Seven members were present. There was a quorum.

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION

Obion County Central High School students Richard Dugger, Ashley Nicks, and Cole Bizwell gave a brief report on their involvement in the school's aviation class, the Rebel Flyers. Additionally, Clint Hopper reported on student involvement in the construction of a replica of the 1903 Wright Brothers airplane that is on display at Discovery Park of America.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon the recommendation of Mr. Rainey, the Board unanimously approved the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING

Upon the recommendation of Chairman Rainey, the Board unanimously approved minutes from the Board meeting of January 12, 2015.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda consists of the monthly personnel report; the monthly financial reports/business activity; and the report of technology equipment to be disposed via the most economical method. Upon the recommendation of Mr. Rainey, the Board unanimously approved the consent agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider/Approve Overnight Student Trip(s) – The following overnight student trips were submitted for Board approval:

- Lake Road Elementary School Band, All West Band Clinic, February 12 – February 14, 2015, Memphis, TN

- Obion County Central High School Art Club, March 26 – 29, 2015, Nashville/Chattanooga, TN
- Obion County Central High School FFA, TN State FFA Convention, March 28 – April 1, 2015, Gatlinburg, TN

Upon Mr. Davis' recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Lamb to approve the above noted overnight student trips. Ms. Preciado seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Canopy Roof System Replacement Bid – Due to straight line wind damage, bids were sought for the replacement of the canopy roof system at Hillcrest Elementary School. The following bids were received:

- Watson's Roofing - \$42,950.00
- Capps and Castele - \$44,000.00

Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Mr. Fussell to approve the low bid meeting all specifications from Watson's Roofing in the amount of \$42,950 (forty two thousand, nine hundred fifty dollars. Mr. Northam seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Note: Due to wind damage, bid amount is covered by insurance with the exception of \$500 (five hundred dollars deductible.)

Consider/Approve School Calendar for the 2015 – 2016 School Year – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Mr. Rainey to approve the 2015 – 2016 School Calendar on the first and final reading. Ms. Sanderson seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Ag Barn Update – George Leake – In Mr. Leake's presentation, he shared the following points of interest with the Board:

- The 80 by 100 foot structure is slated for completion by the end of February or first part of March;
- It will have 8 access points with the front 48 feet to be enclosed;
- The building will be used for livestock training with an open air pavilion included in its design;
- Future plans will include a small kitchen area and bathrooms.

Note: Since this item was for information only, no action was required by the Board.

Consider/Approve Amendment to Board Policy #5.801 – Director of Schools Recruitment and Selection – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Mr. Lamb to approve an amendment to Board Policy #5.801

as recommended by TSBA (TN School Boards Association) on the first and final reading. Ms. Sanderson seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Presentation from Dyersburg State Community College – DSCC President, Dr. Karen Boyer and Vice President, Ms. Terri Maddox presented a proposal to offer onsite classes at Obion County Central High School for students who will be eligible for the new Tennessee Promise scholarship as well as displaced workers and others in the community who may not have previously been able to attend college. Classes would begin in the Fall and would include Orientation: Learning to Succeed; English Composition I; Music Appreciation; and Elementary Probability and Statistics. A minimum of 15 (fifteen) students would be required per class with classes to be held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the vocational wing of the school. Upon Mr. Davis' recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Fussell to approve the above noted proposal as presented. Mr. Northam seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Mr. Davis shared the following points of interest with the Board:

- Expressed his appreciation to Dyersburg State Community College;
- Reminded the Board that lunch would be provided for them on Thursday in honor of Board Appreciation Week;
- He and Mr. Leake attended a meeting in regard to opportunities for manufacturing training of students;

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURN

Mr. Rainey made a motion to approve a new evaluation for the Director of Schools. Mr. Lamb seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Fussell expressed his amazement at the many opportunities now offered to the students and he commended staff and community involvement in their support of the school system.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

The entire meeting was recorded and stored as an electronic copy.

The minutes were taken and typed by Diane Terry.

Brian Rainey, Chairman

Russell J. Davis, Director of Schools