

Obion County Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting

December 5, 2016

The Obion County Board of Education met in regular session on December 5, 2016 at South Fulton Elementary School. Board Chairman, Fritz Fussell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Mickey Preciado led everyone in prayer. Mr. Russell Davis called the roll. Mr. Fritz Fussell, Mr. Tim Britt, Mr. Jared Poore, and Ms. Mickey Preciado were present. Four members were present. Ms. Keisha Hooper, Mr. Scott Northam, and Mr. Brian Rainey were absent. There was a quorum.

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION

The following student groups at South Fulton Elementary School were recognized:

- Christa Hankins recognized the new fifth grade chapter of the BETA Club. Service projects included mulching school flower beds; painting a Twin Cities Christmas Card in the Park; and helping with Operation Christmas Child boxes.
- Ms. Nikki Netherland recognized fifth grade Student Ambassadors. Their projects included assisting in the library, picture day, canned food drive pick-up, and backpack program delivery to teachers.
- Ms. Ginny Franklin presented and familiarized the Board with an ESP program called the Akamai Challenge.

SCHOOL RECOGNITION

The Daily Devil Clip was shown with students being interviewed by their peers in a lively dialogue regarding what they like about their school and why SFE was the place to be.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Preciado to approve the agenda. Mr. Britt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING

Upon the recommendation of Chairman Fussell, a motion was made by Ms. Preciado to approve the minutes from the Board meeting of October 3, 2016. Mr. Poore seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda consists of the monthly personnel report; the report of substitute teachers; monthly financial reports/business activity; and report of equipment removed from the technology inventory. Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Ms. Preciado to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Britt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS

21st Century Learning Center Grant – Ms. Nikki Netherland – Ms. Netherland shared the following points of interest with the Board regarding the 21st Century Learning Center Grant:

- Through State grants, the school system received a total of \$489,800 (four hundred, eighty nine thousand, eight hundred dollars) for the current school year to be used in after school programs.
- Between 21st CCLC and LEAPS funding, services were provided for 529 (five hundred twenty nine) students who attended at least 30 days or more.
- Over 1,600 students attended at least one day or more.
- An increase in funding this year was due to program attendance, innovative programming, prompt reimbursement requests, on time report submission, and using BEST Practices with good coordination of the school day and after school programs.
- Their SMART Goal was literacy in all programs with the inclusion of other goals that addressed higher math scores, increased attendance, and a decrease in discipline problems.

The above noted item was for information only and no action was required by the Board.

Consider/Approve Student Laptops and Storage Cart Bids – The following bids were received for student laptops and storage carts:

- CDW-G - \$21,700.00
- Central Technologies - \$24,600.00
- HPI - \$24,128.00
- Y & S Technologies - \$19,655.00
- CDI Computers - \$25,038.00
- SCW - \$25,167.02

Due to questionable reliability of the lowest bidder by the Technology Department, Mr. Davis recommended the second lowest bid of \$21,700.00 (twenty one thousand, seven hundred dollars) from CDW-G. Mr. Britt made a motion to approve. Mr. Poore seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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

- Lake Road Elementary School, PLUS Extracurricular Trip, May 3 – May 6, 2017, Chicago, IL
- OCCHS, Cheer Nationals, February 8 – February 14, 2017, Orlando, FL

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

Consider/Approve Amendment to Board Policy #4.605 – Graduation Requirements – Upon Mr. Davis' recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Britt to approve an amendment to Board Policy #4.605 – Graduation Requirements on the first and final reading. Ms. Preciado seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Amendment to Board Policy #5.402 – Hepatitis B (HBV) – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Ms. Preciado to approve, on the first and final reading, the addition of maintenance personnel to the safety list of employees who are at a higher risk of occupational exposure to HBV. Mr. Poore seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Amendment to Board Policy #4.700 – Testing Programs. – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Mr.

Poore to approve the first and final reading of an amendment to Board Policy #4.700 – Testing Programs as presented. Ms. Preciado seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED.

Consider/Approve an Amendment to Board Policy #2.601 – Fundraising Activities – According to Mr. Davis, the TN School Boards Association (TSBA) has recommended that Board Policy #6.701 – Student Solicitations/Fundraising Activities be moved to Board Policy #2.601 – Fundraising Activities. Upon his recommendation and the recommendation of TSBA, a motion was made by Mr. Poore to approve, on first and final reading, the above noted amendment to Board Policy #2.601. Mr. Britt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Amendment to Board Policy #4.207 – English Learners – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Ms. Preciado to approve, on first and final reading, an amendment to Board Policy #4.207 as presented. Mr. Britt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Adoption of Board Policy #5.1101 – Differentiated Pay Plan – Upon Mr. Davis' recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Fussell to approve the adoption of Board Policy #5.1101 – Differentiated Pay Plan on the first and final reading. Ms. Preciado seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Amendment to Board Policy #5.305 – Family and Medical Leave – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Mr. Britt to approve an amendment to Board Policy #5.305 – Family and Medical Leave on the first and final reading. Mr. Poore seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Adoption of Board Policy #6.505 – Students in Foster Care – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Mr. Poore to approve the adoption of Board Policy #6.505 – Students in Foster Care on the first and final reading. Ms. Preciado seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

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

- Extended holiday wishes and thanks to all employees;
- Said Obion County School System is the place to be;

- Asked that we remember the victims and families involved in the tragic fires of the Gatlinburg area;
- Stated that above all else, the School System is here for the kids.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURN

Chairman Fussell extended a happy and safe holiday greeting to the staff. Additionally, he asked that we keep the families of the East Tennessee area in our thoughts.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

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

The minutes were taken and typed by Diane Terry.

Fritz Fussell, Chairman

Russell J. Davis, Director of Schools