

**Obion County Board of Education**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**December 11, 2017**

The Obion County Board of Education met in regular session on December 11, 2017, at Lake Road Elementary School. Board Chairman Fritz Fussell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Brian Rainey led everyone in prayer. Mr. Davis called the roll. Mr. Fritz Fussell, Mr. Brian Rainey, Mr. Kyle Baggett, Mr. Tim Britt, and Mr. Jared Poore were present. Five members were present. Ms. Keisha Hooper and Ms. Mickey Preciado were absent. There was a quorum.

**STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION**

Principal Linda Crigger introduced the following teachers who shared points of interest regarding student participation in various activities at Lake Road Elementary School:

- Ms. Michelle Allen – Ms. Allen provided an introduction to the new STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) program for students which fosters inquiring minds, logical reasoning, and collaboration skills. Additionally, a group of her students presented the characters they portrayed in a living museum.
- Ms. Jennifer Robertson – Ms. Robertson presented a representation of students who have joined the Junior BETA Club this year. It has 78 (seventy-eight) members with each member qualifying by having at least a B average and performing 10 hours of community service per year.
- Ms. Stephanie Traverse – Ms. Traverse presented a group of students from her PLUS class who participated in the CANstruction project at Discovery Park. There were 7 (seven) members with an allowable 5 (five) at a time doing the construction project in a three (3) hour time frame using different types of canned foods to build it. The project's theme was two hands holding a world portraying school and community. It received an Honorable Mention Award and gave the students an opportunity to experience control, trust, and leadership as a team.

- Ms. Jeannie Foster – Ms. Foster presented various means of incorporating the STEAM program into music classes for her students, especially Title 1 and ESP groups.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Upon the recommendation of Chairman Fussell, a motion was made by Mr. Rainey to approve the agenda. Mr. Poore seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING – October 2, 2017**

Upon the recommendation of Chairman Fussell, a motion was made by Mr. Poore to approve minutes from the meetings of October 2, 2017. Mr. Baggett seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The consent agenda consists of the monthly personnel report; report of substitute teachers; monthly financial reports/business activity; and recognition/approval of technology equipment declared surplus and disposed via the most economical method. Upon the recommendation of Chairman Fussell, a motion was made by Mr. Britt to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Rainey seconded the motion.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

*Consider/Approve Request to Declare Property Surplus and Dispose Via Most Economical Method* – According to Mr. Davis, Hillcrest, Obion County Central High, and South Fulton High Schools have submitted requests to declare surplus old athletic uniforms which are no longer of use to their schools. Upon his recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Fussell to declare the above noted items surplus, sell or dispose via the most economical method, and use any funds received from their disposal to offset the cost of future purchases. Mr. Britt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Consider/Approve Adoption of Board Policy #5.203 – Recommendations and File Transfers* – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis and the Tennessee School Boards Association (TSBA), a motion was made by Mr. Poore to approve the

adoption of new Board Policy #5.203 – Recommendations and File Transfers on the first and final reading. Mr. Baggett seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Consider/Approve Request to Declare Property Surplus and Dispose Via Most Economical Method* – According to Mr. Davis, the Maintenance and Light Repair (Automotive Technology) program at OCCHS has requested the Board to declare surplus a Grabber Winner vehicle bending machine which no longer aligns with MLR academic standards and is, therefore, no longer of use to the system. Upon his recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Poore to declare the above noted item surplus, dispose via the most economical method, and use any funds received to purchase new equipment that is in alignment with academic standards for the MLR program. Mr. Fussell seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Consider/Approve Amendment to Board Policy #4.700 – Testing Programs* – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis and TSBA, a motion was made by Mr. Rainey to approve the following amendment to Board Policy #4.700 – Testing Programs on the first and final reading:

1. Page 2, under heading “**Weighting TCAP Scores**”, line 5:
  - a) 2017-2018 school year – 15% of the student’s second semester final average.
  - b) 2018-2019 school year – 15% of the student’s second semester final average.
2. Page 2, line 7, “The methodology used to calculate the students’ scores will be the Cube Root Methodology.

Mr. Britt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Consider/Approve Bid for Acer Switch Alpha* – According to Mr. Davis, the following bids were received for an Acer Switch Alpha:

- CDI - \$33,099.00
- Twin Oaks - \$37,400.00
- Central Knox - \$31,943.85
- Howard Technology - \$33,405.00

Upon his recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Britt to approve the lowest bid, meeting all specifications, from Central Knox in the amount of \$31,943.85 (thirty-one thousand, nine hundred forty-three dollars and eighty-five cents). Mr. Baggett seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

## **DIRECTOR'S UPDATE**

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

- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year;
- Expressed his gratitude to students, parents, and employees for all accomplishments made this year;
- Was pleased with the State recognizing Obion County as an exemplary school system.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURN**

Chairman Fussell informed the Board of the resignation of Board member, Ms. Mickey Preciado. She has moved outside of her school district and will no longer be able to serve on the Board. A replacement will be appointed by the County Commission to complete her term of office.

Mr. Fussell thanked the administrators that were present at the meeting and expressed his appreciation to the parents, students, and staff for their part in the school system obtaining exemplary status from the State.

Lake Road Principal, Ms. Linda Crigger expressed her appreciation to the Board for allowing students and staff to wear jeans.

South Fulton Elementary Principal, Ms. Laura Pitts thanked the Board for the half day reward.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Due to a problem with the recorder, this meeting was not recorded and stored as an electronic copy.

The minutes were taken and typed by Diane Terry.

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Fritz Fussell, Chairman

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Russell J. Davis, Director of Schools