

Obion County Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting

March 5, 2018

The Obion County Board of Education met in regular session on March 5, 2018, at Obion County Central High School. Chairman Fritz Fussell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Keisha Hooper led everyone in prayer. Mr. Russell Davis called the roll. Mr. Fritz Fussell, Mr. Brian Rainey, Ms. Keisha Hooper, Mr. Barry Adams, Mr. Kyle Baggett, Mr. Tim Britt, and Mr. Jared Poore were present. Seven members were present. There was a quorum.

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION

Chairman Fussell read and presented a resolution to the Hillcrest Elementary boys and girls basketball teams in recognition of their awesome season and title wins this year.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Rainey 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 Mr. Adams to approve the minutes from the Board meeting of February 5, 2018. Ms. Hooper seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda consists of the monthly personnel report; the report of substitute teachers; and monthly financial reports/business activity. Upon the recommendation of Mr. Fussell, a motion was made by Mr. Britt to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Poore seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS

Consider/Approve Request to Declare Surplus and Dispose Via Most Economical Method – According to Mr. Davis, the Transportation Department has submitted a request to declare surplus two (2) Chevrolet pick-up trucks, (1999 model and 1995 model), which are no longer of use to the System. Upon his recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Poore to declare surplus and

dispose of the trucks via the most economical method (i.e. sealed bids, auction, or scrap) with any proceeds to be used for offsetting the cost of future purchases in the Transportation Department. Mr. Adams seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Amendment to Board Policy #4.206 – Special Programs – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis and TSBA (TN School Boards Association), a motion was made by Mr. Rainey to approve the following amendment to Board Policy #4.206 – Special Programs on the first and final reading:

- Line 5 - 6, The homebound instruction program is for students who because of illness or injury are unable to attend the regular instructional program.
- Line 7 – 8, To qualify for this program, a student must have an illness or injury of sufficient seriousness as to anticipate that the student will be absent for a minimum of five (5) consecutive school days.

Ms. Hooper seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Adoption of Board Policy #6.4052 – Opioid Antagonist – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis and TSBA, a motion was made by Mr. Adams to approve the adoption of new Board Policy #6.4052 – Opioid Antagonist on the first and final reading. Mr. Britt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Adoption of Board Policy #6.4051 – Glucagon and Diazepam Gel – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis and TSBA, a motion was made by Mr. Fussell to approve the adoption of new Board Policy #6.4051 – Glucagon and Diazepam Gel on the first and final reading. Ms. Hooper seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Consider/Approve Overnight Student Trip– Upon the recommendation of Mr. Davis, a motion was made by Mr. Poore to approve the following change in destination for a previously approved overnight student trip:

- Change from OCCHS, Senior Art Club Trip, March 22 – 26, 2018, Savannah, GA to destination of Cincinnati, OH

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

Request to Address the Board – According to Mr. Davis, a request was submitted by Mrs. Gloria Bunch on behalf of concerned parents to address the Board in regard to the development of feasible quality safety measures in the Obion County School System. Mrs. Bunch shared the following points of interest regarding these measures with the Board:

- Bag checks in middle and high schools or totally ban the backpacks;
- Ballistic film which could be placed on windows;
- Door barricades for classrooms;
- Active shooter drills for proper training;
- A school resource officer (SRO) officer at every elementary school and at least two (2) SRO officers at each high school;
- Explore possibility of employing retired military or police officers to provide added security in the schools.

Additionally, Mrs. Bunch urged the Board to ask for funding and find the resources to step up school security while noting that she made the same plea to Obion County's budget committee that morning.

Note: Since this item was for informational purposes, no action was required by the Board.

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

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

- Expressed his appreciation to Mrs. Bunch for her presentation at the County Budget Committee and the School Board meetings;
- Emphasized that safety is the number 1 priority in our School System;
- Procedures are in place as mandated by the State and ongoing professional training for teachers as well as drills for students are done on a regular basis;
- Welcomes the opportunity to meet with anyone who has questions or concerns.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURN

Chairman Fussell thanked Mrs. Gloria Bunch for her presentation as well School Safety Coordinator, Heath Cunningham for his continued efforts regarding safety in the schools.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

The 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