

# Obion County Board of Education

## Regular Board Meeting

**May 7, 2018**

The Obion County Board of Education met in regular session on May 7, 2018, at Ridgemont Elementary School. Board Chairman, Fritz Fussell called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led everyone in prayer. Mr. Dale Hollowell called the roll. Mr. Fritz Fussell, Mr. Brian Rainey, Ms. Keisha Hooper, Mr. Barry Adams, Mr. Kyle Baggett, and Mr. Jared Poore were present. Six members were present. Mr. Tim Britt was absent. There was a quorum.

### **STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION – TEACHERS OF THE YEAR**

Ridgemont Elementary Librarian, Ms. Cheryl Reddin introduced four students from the PLUS (Gifted) class who shared their thoughts on working together as a team on various projects throughout the school year. Additionally, she informed the Board that a team of students from the After School Program had participated in the Akamai Challenge at Discovery Park and had placed third out of eleven teams.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mr. Rainey to approve the agenda. Mr. Adams seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING**

Upon the recommendation of Chairman Fussell, a motion was made by Mr. Baggett to approve the minutes from the Board meeting of April 2, 2018. Ms. Hooper 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. Hollowell, a motion was made by Mr. Rainey to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Baggett seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

*Discuss Director's Evaluation* – Discussion was brief regarding the evaluation of Director Davis. Chairman Fussell stated that Mr. Davis received a

good overall evaluation. Based on a point system of 1 – 5, the Director of Schools received a total score of 3.34. Since Mr. Davis submitted his resignation prior to the Board meeting, no action was required on this item.

*Consider/Approve Amendment to Handbook for Interscholastic Sports –* According to Mr. Hollowell, the Athletic Advisory Committee has reviewed and recommended updates to the Handbook for Interscholastic Sports that will keep it in alignment with TSSAA rules and regulations. Upon his recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Poore to approve updates to the Handbook for Interscholastic Sports as proposed. Ms. Hooper seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Appoint Member to Athletic Advisory Committee –* As a requirement of the Handbook for Interscholastic Sports, one Board member is to serve on the Athletic Advisory Committee and is appointed by the Board Chairman. Ms. Keisha Hooper is currently serving on the Athletic Advisory Committee and has agreed to continue in that capacity. No action was required by the Board on this item.

*Consider/Approve Teachers Recommended for Tenure –* According to Mr. Hollowell, the following teachers were recommended for tenure by their respective principals and supervisors:

- Black Oak Elementary – Kayce Jones
- Hillcrest Elementary – Amanda Dawkins, Tina Forbes, Cari Moore, Chanda Peal
- Lake Road Elementary – Michelle Allen, Emily Berner, Julie Cunningham
- Obion County Central High – Jonathan Byrd, Johnathan Nolan
- Ridgemont Elementary – Vonda Cary
- South Fulton Elementary – Melashia Aguilar, Deanna Porter, Amanda Wilder
- South Fulton Middle/High – Melanie Curlin, Kimberly Jackson, Mary Jane Wiseman

Upon the recommendation of Mr. Hollowell, a motion was made by Mr. Adams to approve the above noted teachers for tenure pending the receipt of required teacher evaluation scores from the State. Ms. Hooper seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Consider/Approve Electrical Material Upgrades Bid –* According to Mr. Hollowell, the following bids were received for electrical material upgrades:

- Cape Electric - \$23,405.27
- Irby Electrical - \$26,752.20

Upon his recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Poore to approve the low bid meeting all specifications from Cape Electric in the amount of \$23,405.27

(twenty-three thousand, four hundred five dollars and twenty-seven cents). Mr. Rainey seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Consider/Approve HVAC Upgrade Bid at SFM/HS* – Upon the recommendation of Mr. Hollowell, a motion was made by Mr. Fussell to approve the lone bid meeting all specifications from Billy Rogers Plumbing in the amount of \$67,700.00 (sixty-seven thousand, seven hundred dollars) for classroom HVAC upgrades at South Fulton Middle/High School. Ms. Hooper seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

*Consider/Approve Video System Upgrades at Hillcrest and Ridgemont* – According to Mr. Hollowell, the following bids were received for a video system upgrade at Hillcrest and Ridgemont Elementary Schools:

Edutech  
Hillcrest - \$5,645.00  
Ridgemont - \$5,645.00

Upon his recommendation, a motion was made by Mr. Fussell to approve the above noted bids for a video system upgrade at Hillcrest and Ridgemont Elementary Schools. Mr. Baggett seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **DIRECTOR'S UPDATE**

Ms. Nancy Hamilton shared the following points of interest with the Board:

- With the exception of 2 (two) students, testing has been completed at the schools.
- Grades 2 – 8 testing went well. However, due to glitches in the testing program, difficulties were encountered with on-line testing for high school students.
- Testing coordinators did a great job.
- Due to the problems with on-line testing, the deadline to finish was extended to Wednesday.
- A State Legislator, High School Principals Greg Barclay and Kim Jackson were in agreement that test results would count only if the results helped the grade count.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADJOURN**

Chairman Fussell expressed his appreciation to administrators and supervisors for their attendance and continual support at the Board meetings.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

The meeting was 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