

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING
OF THE ETOWAH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2014**

The Etowah County Board of Education met for a special called meeting on September 9, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. Mr. Ernie Payne, Board President, presided at this meeting. The invocation was given by Mrs. Scarlett Farley. Members present were:

Mrs. Scarlett Farley
Mr. Danny Golden
Mr. Todd Hindsman
Mr. Tim Langdale
Mr. Ernie Payne
Mr. Doug Sherrod
Mr. Tim Womack

The Board President, Mr. Ernie Payne, called the meeting to order and then turned the meeting over to Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent.

FY15 BUDGET HEARING #2

Dr. Cosby stated that the first order of business was the second of two required Budget Hearings for FY15. Superintendent Cosby along with Ms. Donna Hagedorn, Chief School Financial Officer, presented FY15 budget information to the Board and public. After a brief question and answer session Dr. Cosby presented the next agenda item.

ETOWAH COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM FY15 BUDGET APPROVED

The Superintendent, Dr. Alan Cosby, recommended approval of the FY15 Budget for the Etowah County School System. Mr. Golden made a motion to approve the recommendation of Superintendent Cosby, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Langdale. The Board voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

2014-2015 INTERNET SAFETY HEARING

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recognized Mr. Hal Murphy, Technology Director. Mr. Murphy presented the annually required internet safety information to the Board and public.

TRAVEL REQUESTS APPROVED

Superintendent Cosby recommended approval of the following travel requests. Mr. Sherrod made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Langdale, to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent. The Board voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

- a) Hokes Bluff Middle School Cheerleaders – travel to Orlando, Florida, February 5 – 9, 2015, to participate in national cheer competition, expenses paid by participants and cheer account
- b) John S. Jones 5th Grade Students – travel to Camp Cosby located in Alpine, Alabama, on December 3-5, 2014, to participate in environmental activities, expenses paid by participants

CHANGES TO 2014-2015 SALARY SCHEDULE APPROVED

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval to add the following position classifications to 2014-2015 salary schedule. Dr. Cosby explained that these additions required no change in salary but a reclassification of positions in order to align with job descriptions. The salary schedule for these positions will remain the same as Central Office bookkeeper/secretary. Mr. Langdale made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Golden, to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent. The Board voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

- a) Personnel Clerk
- b) Special Education Administrative Assistant

FIRST READING OF PROPOSED POLICY CHANGES

Superintendent Cosby and Dena Cook, Student Services Director, presented the first reading of proposed changes to the following Board Policy: Policy #9.60 Visitors - School-Community Relations. This change is necessary in order to comply with Legislative Act #2014-421.

2015 CAPITAL PLAN APPROVED

The Superintendent, Dr. Alan Cosby, recommended approval of the Etowah County Board of Education 2015 Capital Plan presented. Mr. Golden made a motion, and the motion was seconded by Mrs. Farley, to approve the recommendation of Superintendent Cosby. The Board voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

CONVEYANCE OF SARDIS PROPERTY TO SARDIS CITY APPROVED

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval to convey property across from Sardis High School, located on Church Street, to The Town of Sardis City. This conveyance will allow Sardis City to build/develop tennis courts with the school having joint use. Mr. Sherrod made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent. The motion was seconded by Mr. Golden. The Board voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVED

Superintendent Cosby recommended approval of the following personnel recommendations. Mr. Langdale made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Sherrod, to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent. The Board voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

Central Office	a)	<u>Gail Rice</u> – Payroll Accountant retiring effective January 1, 2015, and requests pay for earned vacation days
Glencoe High	b)	<u>Kim Ginn</u> – resigns duties of Varsity Cheerleading Coach effective September 3, 2014
Glencoe High	c)	<u>Laura Stevens</u> – employ as Varsity Cheerleading Coach effective September 8, 2014
Highland	d)	<u>Stacey Yates</u> – employ as Extended Day Director for the 2014-2015 school year effective September 10, 2014
Hokes Bluff High	e)	<u>Sharon Chapman</u> – transfer as 6.5 hour Child Nutrition Worker from 7 hour Child Nutrition Worker at Hokes Bluff Elementary, as per employee request, effective September 4, 2014
Learning Center	f)	<u>Pam Deru</u> – approval to contract for training and consultation, effective October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015, as needed basis
System-Wide Employee	g)	<u>Edith Nott Losco</u> – employ as Special Education Paraprofessional effective September 10, 2014

INFORMATION ITEMS FROM SUPERINTENDENT

- Etowah County Marching Band & Cheer Expo – September 16, 2014, 6:30 p.m., Gadsden City High School
- Next Board Meeting - October 9, 2014, 5:00 p.m., Sardis High School

INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

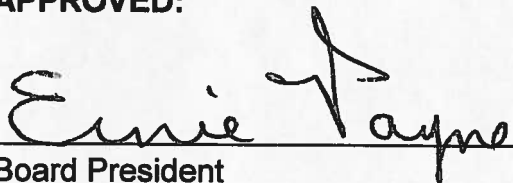
Board President, Mr. Ernie Payne, extended an invitation to anyone in the audience who would like to address the Board.

Dr. Heather Wilson, teacher at Sardis High School, wanted to recognize and thank Amanda Johnson, Sardis High School tennis coach and community stakeholder, for her help and encouragement extended to a special education student.

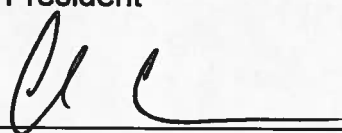
ADJOURNMENT

As all business was concluded, Mr. Sherrod moved to adjourn. All were in agreement.

APPROVED:



Board President



Superintendent