

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
ETOWAH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
HELD ON FEBRUARY 9, 2017**

The Etowah County Board of Education met for a regular meeting on February 9, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was conducted in the conference room of the Etowah County Board of Education Central Office located at 3200 West Meighan Boulevard, Gadsden, Alabama.

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

Mr. Tim Womack, Board President, presided at this meeting. The invocation was given by Todd Hindsman. President Womack extended an invitation to anyone in the audience to address the Board. As there was no response, the meeting was turned over to the Superintendent, Dr. Alan Cosby.

RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recognized the following for their accomplishments.

<p><u>Hunter Nails, Southside High School 12th Grade</u> – Etowah County Board of Education Student of the Month</p> <p>AHSSA Indoor State Championship 1st Place 800 Meter Run 6A</p> <p>AHSSA Indoor State Championship 2nd Place 1600 Meter Run 6A</p>
<p><u>Rainbow Middle School Brass Ensemble</u> – performed at the Alabama Music Educators Association Conference in Montgomery on January 20, 2017 <u>Director:</u> Alicia Probst</p> <p><u>Brass Ensemble:</u></p> <p>Allison McGlaughn, Trumpet, 8th Grade</p> <p>Emma Hill, Trumpet, 8th Grade</p> <p>Rachel Reid, French Horn, 7th Grade</p> <p>Miles Hardy, Trombone, 7th Grade</p> <p>Edi Liu, Euphonium, 8th Grade</p> <p>Houston Payne, Tuba, 8th Grade</p>

	<p><u>Christy Yocum, Gaston School Teacher</u> – received the Greater Etowah Area Governor’s Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities Educator of the Year Award</p>																																						
	<p><u>Amayah Hill, Gaston School 11th Grade</u> – won 1A-3A Indoor Track and Field Shot Put State Championship with a throw of 29ft. 11in</p>																																						
	<p><u>D.J. Pope, Gaston School 12th Grade</u> – won the Bryant Jordan Student-Athlete Achievement Award for Region 6 Class 2A</p>																																						
	<p><u>Gaston School Football Team</u> – received the 2016 Fellowship of Christian Athletes/Grace Radio Sportsmanship Award</p> <p><u>Head Football Coach:</u> Swane Morris</p> <p><u>Assistant Football Coaches:</u> Lee Wadsworth, Matt Watson, Jesse Pruitt, Brian Usry, and Todd Albert</p> <p><u>Gaston School Football Players:</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="302 793 1463 1377"> <tr> <td>J. D. Pope</td> <td>Tanner Wade</td> <td>Kevin Hollingsworth</td> <td>Mitch Jones</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jakory Scott</td> <td>Tyler Tinsley</td> <td>Gage McArthur</td> <td>Cameron Williams</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Allen Black</td> <td>Alexander Allen</td> <td>Nick Hannah</td> <td>Chase Thrasher</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D.J. Easley</td> <td>Alexander McArthur</td> <td>Cameron Peacock</td> <td>Gage Burgess</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wes Simmons</td> <td>Dakota Wright</td> <td>D.J. Pope</td> <td>Kameron Hawkins</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Zac Satterfield</td> <td>Jakob Gibbs</td> <td>Jesse Samples</td> <td>Lane Talbot</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Austin Johnson</td> <td>Christian Farley</td> <td>Kelly Davis</td> <td>Taylor Wolfe</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cole Wadsworth</td> <td>Kavontae Lindsey</td> <td>Anderson Wadkins</td> <td>Eddie Kozer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cameron Johnson</td> <td>Russell Smith</td> <td>Matthew Rich</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>			J. D. Pope	Tanner Wade	Kevin Hollingsworth	Mitch Jones	Jakory Scott	Tyler Tinsley	Gage McArthur	Cameron Williams	Allen Black	Alexander Allen	Nick Hannah	Chase Thrasher	D.J. Easley	Alexander McArthur	Cameron Peacock	Gage Burgess	Wes Simmons	Dakota Wright	D.J. Pope	Kameron Hawkins	Zac Satterfield	Jakob Gibbs	Jesse Samples	Lane Talbot	Austin Johnson	Christian Farley	Kelly Davis	Taylor Wolfe	Cole Wadsworth	Kavontae Lindsey	Anderson Wadkins	Eddie Kozer	Cameron Johnson	Russell Smith	Matthew Rich	
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	<p><u>Hokes Bluff High School Anchor Club</u> – Alabama District Anchor Club of the Year and named Pilot International Club of the Year</p> <p><u>Sponsor:</u> Sammye Hill</p> <p><u>Club Members:</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="302 1591 1463 1795"> <tr> <td>Morgan Alexander</td> <td>Haley Barron</td> <td>Kate Carroll</td> <td>Hunter Crowe</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Eva Cruz</td> <td>Jorian Hopper</td> <td>Madeleine Lasseter</td> <td>Abigail Reeves</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kendall Schmid</td> <td>Cayman Tisdale</td> <td>Mackenzie Turley</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>			Morgan Alexander	Haley Barron	Kate Carroll	Hunter Crowe	Eva Cruz	Jorian Hopper	Madeleine Lasseter	Abigail Reeves	Kendall Schmid	Cayman Tisdale	Mackenzie Turley																									
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	<p><u>Southside High School Football Player, Alaric Williams</u> – Class 6A High School All-State Second Team</p>
	<p><u>West End High School Football Players:</u> <u>Andre Little:</u> Class 2A High School All-State First Team <u>Michael Patton:</u> Class 2A High School All-State Second Team <u>Payne Stancil-QB:</u> Class 2A Honorable Mention <u>Jordan Malin-RB:</u> Class 2A Honorable Mention <u>DeWayne Miller-OL:</u> Class 2A Honorable Mention <u>Junior Thomas-LB:</u> Class 2A Honorable Mention</p>
	<p><u>Whitesboro Elementary School, Kristy Towns Principal</u> – Selected as 2016 CLAS Banner School</p>

QUALITY OF LIFE, HEALTH SERVICES, INC. SCHOOL-BASED TELEHEALTH PROJECT PRESENTATION

Dr. Alan Cosby recognized Quality of Life Health Services and Cindy Kirkland. Cindy Kirkland introduced the Quality of Life Representatives Karen Parker and Olivia Gwin. Cindy explained that we have been utilizing the van service for about three years now. The van service is a mobile clinic that goes out to the schools and does medical, dental, and vision checks. The data shows positive results for students receiving glasses and hearing aids and getting doctor visits that they normally would not be able to receive due to other obstacles. Now they are looking into a project with Telehealth Medicine which is an advanced opportunity with technology in which they utilize the clinic, the physician, and nurse to do wellness screenings and other things. Cindy introduced Karen Parker to discuss in depth more of the project and gave out some information for the board members and answered questions.

ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT A-F 2016 REPORT CARD GRADES PRESENTED BY TIFFANY SCOTT, TRACY CROSS, AND DENA COOK

Superintendent, Alan Cosby, introduced Tiffany Scott, Tracy Cross, and Dena Cook to discuss the Accountability A-F Report card. Dr. Cosby discussed what each of the ladies handled in the office and how and where the data is derived from as far as testing for the report card. Mrs. Cross explained what was in the handout and what were the most significant data for the schools. Mrs. Scott explained what we have done since we received the scores. They meet with all administrators and discussed what areas were needed to improve on. They have had PLUs on how to interrupt data and write continuous improvement plans. Dena Cook explained a little about testing and how to get the students more involved and giving them an incentive to do good on the ASPIRE test.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2017 – APPROVED

Superintendent Cosby recommended approval of the board meeting minutes of January 3, 2017 as provided. Mr. Hindsman made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent. The motion was seconded by Mr. Langdale. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND BANK RECONCILIATIONS – APPROVED

The Chief School Financial Officer, Ms. Donna Hagedorn, presented the financial reports and bank reconciliations. Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval of the financial report with cash balances as based on the reconciled bank statements to the general ledger as presented. Mr. Golden made a motion to approve the recommendation from Dr. Cosby. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sherrod. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

BID #17-006 VICTOR ENGINE/MANUAL LATHE – APPROVED

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval to award BID #17-006 for a Victor Engine/Manual Lathe to Alternatives for Industry. Mr. Payne made a motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Langdale. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent.

BID #17-008 JOHN JONES PARKING LOT – APPROVED

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval to award BID #17-008 for repaving of John Jones Elementary School parking lot to Stone Construction Inc., LLC. Mr. Hindsman made a motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Golden. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent.

BID #17-009 GLENCOE HIGH SCHOOL GYM FLOOR – APPROVED

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval to award BID #17-009 for Glencoe High Schools gym floor to Wise Flooring with all expenses paid by Glencoe High School. Mr. Golden made a motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Payne. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent.

ETOWAH COUNTY SCHOOLS 2017-2018 CALENDAR – APPROVED

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval to approval of the proposed Etowah County Schools 2017-2018 School Calendar. Mr. Langdale made a motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Farley. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent.

**COMMUNITY EDUCATION/EXTENDED DAY SERVICES 2017 SUMMER
PROGRAMS – APPROVED**

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval of Community Education/Extended Day Services 2017 Summer Programs at Glencoe Elementary School, Ivalee Elementary School, and John S. Jones Elementary School, these programs will be operated and funded based on participation at no cost to the Etowah County Board of Education, if the programs are not self-sustainable based on tuition receipts, we reserve the right to close the program giving 10-day notification to parents. Mr. Golden made a motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Payne. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent.

**COMMUNITY EDUCATION/EXTENDED DAY SERVICES 2017 SUMMER
PROGRAM TUITION FEES – APPROVED**

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval of Community Education/Extended Day Services 2017 Summer Program tuition fees. Mr. Payne made a motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Golden. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent.

FIRST READING OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO CHEER PROCEDURES

The Superintendent, Dr. Alan Cosby, asked Mrs. Dena Cook, Student Services Director, to present the first reading of the proposed revisions to the cheer procedures and explain the revisions. Mrs. Cook explained the changes and answered questions from the board members.

SURPLUS PROPERTY – APPROVED

Superintendent Cosby recommended approval to declare the following item surplus property and sell on govdeals.com: LeBlond Manual Machining Lathe, Model #16x40 located at The Career Technical Center. Mr. Hindsman made a motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Golden. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent.

SURPLUS PROPERTY – APPROVED

Superintendent Cosby recommended approval to declare the following vehicle and transportation items surplus property and sell on govdeals.com. Mr. Golden made a motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Langdale. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent.

- Truck #1 – 1988 Chevrolet S10 – vin#1GCCS14R6J2140002
- 1 Snap on battery charger

- 1 Vise
- 1 Wheel dolly
- 1 Pro Link 9000
- 1 Stihl weed eater
- 1 air compressor, 5hp, 220 volt, 60 gal

TRAVEL REQUESTS – APPROVED

The Superintendent, Dr. Alan Cosby, recommended approval of the following travel request. Mr. Hindsman made a motion, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Langdale, to approve the recommendation of Superintendent Cosby. The Board voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

a) <u>Dr. Alan Cosby, Dena Cook, Tracy Cross, Tiffany Scott, and Kathy Roberts, Central Office</u> – travel to Mobile, Alabama July 10-14, 2017 to attend MEGA Conference 2017
b) <u>Dr. Jon Paul Campbell</u> – travel to Birmingham, Alabama February 22, 2017 to CLAS Law Conference
c) <u>Dena Cook</u> – travel to Montgomery, Alabama February 23-24, 2017 to attend The Spring Counseling Administrator Summit
d) <u>Stephanie Brasher, Lauri Dixon, Donna Hagedorn, Laura Leak, Kathy Roberts, Kelly Stephens, Central Office</u> – travel to Tuscaloosa, Alabama February 13-14, 2017 to attend The Alabama Association of School Business Officials Certification Programs
e) <u>Kathy Roberts and Kelly Stephens, Central Office</u> – travel to Tuscaloosa, Alabama March 6-7, 2017 to attend The Alabama Association of School Business Officials Certification Programs
f) <u>Jimmy Sewell, Transportation Director</u> - travel to Chicago, Illinois February 16, 2017 to tour the Southland International Alternative Fuel Engine Plant, all expenses paid by Southland International
g) <u>Carlisle Elementary 5th Grade</u> – travel by charter bus to the Tennessee Aquarium on May 5, 2017, expenses paid by participants
h) <u>Career Technical HOSA Students</u> – travel by bus to Montgomery, Alabama February 22-24, 2017 to attend HOSA State Leadership Convention, expenses paid by local school funds
i) <u>Career Technical Skills USA Students</u> – travel to Montgomery, Alabama February 20-22, 2017 to attend Governor signing and Conference Planning, expenses paid by local school funds

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j) <u>Duck Springs Elementary 6th Grade</u> – travel by school bus to the Tennessee Aquarium and Southern Belle Riverboat on March 22, 2017, expenses paid by participants
k) <u>Gaston Senior Class</u> – travel by charter bus to Atlanta, Georgia April 5, 2017 Six Flags, expenses paid by participants
l) <u>Glencoe High School Golf</u> - travel to Montgomery, Alabama February 28-29, 2017 for Golf Tournament, expenses paid by local school funds
m) <u>Hokes Bluff Middle School Student Council</u> – travel by bus to Tuscaloosa, Alabama April 9-10, 2017 to attend the Alabama Student Council Association’s Spring Conference, expenses paid by local school funds
n) <u>Hokes Bluff High School Anchor Club</u> – travel by school bus to Montgomery, Alabama March 3-5, 2017 to attend the Alabama District Convention, expenses paid by participants
o) <u>Hokes Bluff High School Band</u> – travel by charter bus to Washington, D.C. April 20-23, 2017 to perform and visit monuments, expenses paid by participants
p) <u>Sardis High School FBLA</u> – travel by school bus to Atlanta, Georgia May 12, 2017, Six Flags, expenses paid by participants
q) <u>Southside High School Band</u> – travel by school bus to the Tennessee Aquarium on March 17, 2017, expenses paid by participants
r) <u>Southside High School Baseball</u> – travel by charter bus to Ft. Walton Beach, Florida March 26-29, 2017 to attend a baseball tournament, expenses paid by local school funds
s) <u>Southside High School Girls Bowling</u> – travel to Tuscaloosa, Alabama January 19-20, 2017 to attend the Bowling Regional Tournament, expenses paid by participants
t) <u>Southside High School Bowling</u> – travel to Pelham, Alabama January 26-27, 2017 to attend the Bowling State Tournament, expenses paid by participants
u) <u>Southside High School FCCLA/FACS</u> – travel to Auburn, Alabama April 20-21, 2017 to visit Auburn University and Fashion Show, expenses paid by local school funds
v) <u>Southside High School Student Council</u> – travel by school bus to Tuscaloosa, Alabama April 9-10, 2017 to attend the Alabama Student Council Association State Conference, expenses paid by participants
w) <u>Southside High School Softball</u> – travel by bus to Tuscaloosa, Alabama February 24-25, 2017 to attend softball tournament, expenses paid by softball
x) <u>Southside High School Soccer</u> – travel to Foley, Alabama March 24-25, 2017 for Foley College Expo, expenses paid by soccer

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS – APPROVED

Superintendent Cosby recommended approval of the Alternative School recommendations presented. Mr. Golden made a motion, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Payne, to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent. The Board voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS – APPROVED

Dr. Alan Cosby, Superintendent, recommended approval of the personnel recommendations presented. Mr. Sherrod 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.

Carlisle	a)	<u>Tracey Satterfield</u> – employ as 6.5 Hour Child Nutrition Worker effective February 10, 2017
Duck Springs	b)	<u>Rhonda Beasley</u> – 7 Hour Child Nutrition Worker resigns effective January 17, 2017
Gaston	c)	<u>Tanya Frasier</u> – Bus Driver requests leave of absence beginning January 19, 2017 with expected date to resume regular duties TBD
Glencoe Elementary	d)	<u>Jolie Roberts</u> – Teacher requests leave of absence beginning January 17, 2017 with expected date to resume regular duties May 7, 2017
Glencoe Middle	e)	<u>Tracie Anne Braswell</u> – employ as 9.5 Month Custodian (192 Days) pending background check effective February 13, 2017
Highland	f)	<u>Haley Weaver</u> - Teacher requests leave of absence beginning January 30, 2017 with expected date to resume regular duties being April 3, 2017
Hokes Bluff Elementary	g)	<u>Melissa Dauser</u> – Teacher requests leave of absence beginning January 9, 2017 with expected date to resume regular duties being February 20, 2017
Hokes Bluff High	h)	<u>Sheree Estes</u> – Guidance Counselor (202 Days) retires June 1, 2017
	i)	<u>Michael Blake Gray</u> – employ as 9 Month Part-Time Custodian (187 Days) effective February 10, 2017

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Rainbow Middle	j)	<u>Joel Clevenger</u> – approve as a Non-Faculty Band Volunteer for the 2016-2017 school year
	k)	<u>Devin Norton</u> – approve as Non-Faculty Band Volunteer for 2016-2017 school year
Sardis Middle	l)	<u>Barbara Morton</u> – Teacher requests leave of absence beginning April 17, 2017 with expected date to resume regular duties June 5, 2017
Sardis High	m)	<u>Tommy Layton</u> – employ as 9 Month Custodian (187 Days) effective February 10, 2017
Sardis High (continued)	n)	<u>Kendall Tankersley</u> – Counselor (202 Days) requests leave of absence beginning April 3, 2017 with expected date to resume regular duties being May 30, 2017
Southside High	o)	<u>Alfred Eugene Crowe</u> – Bus Driver requests leave of absence beginning January 6, 2017 with expected date to resume regular duties TBD
	p)	<u>Kristen Michelle Hassell</u> – employ as 6.5 Hour Child Nutrition Worker effective February 10, 2017
	q)	<u>Brandi Whitt Nance</u> – employ as 6.5 Hour Child Nutrition Worker effective February 10, 2017
Whitesboro	r)	<u>Bruce Brown</u> – Bus Driver requests leave of absence beginning December 19, 2016 with expected date to resume regular duties TBD
Whitesboro (continued)	s)	<u>Shannon Vervynckt</u> – Teacher requests leave of absence beginning February 6, 2017 with expected date to resume regular duties April 3, 2017
Community Education/ Extended Day	t)	<u>Adrian Katherine Baker</u> – transfer as Extended Day Teacher from Extended Day Aide at Glencoe Elementary School , as needed basis, effective February 10, 2017
	u)	<u>Drake Hunter W. Cleveland</u> – resigns from Extended Day High School/College Aide at Southside Elementary School effective December 15, 2016

	v)	<u>Chelsea Rhea Edwards</u> – employ as Extended Day High School/College Aide at Southside Elementary School , as needed basis, effective February 10, 2017
Southside High	w)	<u>Michelle Turk</u> - Teacher, suspend 20 work days without pay

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent Cosby presented the following information items to the Board and to the public:

- ❖ Monday, February 13, 2017, Etowah County Career Technical Center 1:30 p. m., Alabama Career and Technical Education State Tour District 5, Governor Bentley and Mr. Sentance along with other officials will be there to highlight the successes of the center
- ❖ ABA District II Music Performance Assessment February 21-24, 2017, all Etowah County Board of Education bands will be participating
- ❖ Next Regular Board Meeting – March 7, 2017, 5:00 p.m., at the Etowah County Board of Education Central Office


ADJOURNMENT

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

APPROVED:



 Board President



 Superintendent