

**Clinton City Board of Education Regular Meeting
Clinton Municipal Building
Thursday, February 9, 2012
5:30 p.m.**

The Clinton City Board of Education met on February 9, 2012, in the Clinton Municipal Building. Board of Education members present were: Tim Bible, R.C. Hutchins, Merle Pryse, Betty Sellers, and Brian Jenkins. Board of Education members not present were: Jim Webster. Others attending were: Vicki Violette, Debbie Long, Jackie Easterday, Bill Hodgers, Dale Isabell, Danny Goins, Gwen Payne, Jamie Jordan, Jenna Sharp, Lori Collins, Matt Murphy, Terry Moats, and Kim Martin.

I. Call to Order by Board Chair

Chairman Bible called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda and/or Additions to the Agenda

Chairman Bible asked that three additions be made to the agenda under New Business Requiring Action by the Board: (1) Approve Medical Leave Request for Nancy McGhee; (2) Approve Contract with Stellar Visions and Sound (SVS); and (3) Approve Contract with Study Island.

A motion was made by R.C. Hutchins to approve the agenda as amended, with a second by Brian Jenkins. The motion carried 5-0.

III. Consent Agenda

Chairman Bible called for approval of Board of Education Minutes – January 12, 2012. Copies of the School Board meeting of January 12, 2012, were attached to agenda materials.

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by Merle Pryse, with a second by R.C. Hutchins. The motion carried 5-0.

IV. Financial Report:

A. Introduction of Terry Moats, auditor with Brown Jake & McDaniel, PC: Dr. Vicki Violette, Director of Schools, introduced Terry Moats to the School Board and audience. Terry Moats thanked the Clinton City School Staff for doing a good job financially and having a clean 2010-2011 audit.

B. Approval of Financial Report – January: Copies of the January Financial Report were attached to agenda materials. Mr. Dale Isabell, Chief Financial Officer, recommended to the School Board for approval the January Financial Report.

A motion was made by Betty Sellers to approve the January Financial Report, with a second by Brian Jenkins. The motion carried 5-0 (roll call vote).

V. New Business Requiring Action by the Board

A. Approve School Board Policies on First and Second Reading: Copies of policies were attached to agenda materials. Dr. Bill Hodgers, Assistant Director of Schools, shared information concerning each policy and asked for approval of the following School Board Policies:

- D 24 Letter of Employment – New
- D 25 Conflict of Interest – New
- J 38 Homeless Students – Revised

A motion was made by R.C. Hutchins to approve the above School Board Policies on the First and Second Reading, with a second by Brian Jenkins. The motion carried 5-0.

- B. Approval of Sixth Grade Environmental Camp Fieldtrip:** Copies were attached to agenda materials.

A motion was made by Brian Jenkins to approve the Sixth Grade Environmental Camp Fieldtrip, with a second by Merle Pryse. The motion carried 5-0.

- C. Approval of Maternity Leave for Destiny Britton from February 15, 2012, through May 24, 2012:**

A motion was made by Betty Sellers to approve Destiny Britton's Maternity Leave from February 15 through May 24, 2012, with a second by Merle Pryse. The motion carried 5-0.

- D. Approval of Medical Leave for Nancy McGhee from February 27, 2012, through May 24, 2012.** (Item added to the agenda).

A motion was made by Brian Jenkins to approve Nancy McGhee's Medical Leave from February 15 through May 24, 2012, with a second by Merle Pryse. The motion carried 5-0.

- E. Approval of Contract with Stellar Visions and Sound for Clinton Elementary Schools Auditorium for a Cost of \$6,014** (Item added to the agenda).

A motion was made by Merle Pryse to approve contract with Stellar Visions and Sound, with a second by Betty Sellers. The motion carried 5-0.

- F. Approval of Contract with Study Island for South Clinton Elementary School for a Cost of \$2,220** (Item added to the agenda).

A motion was made by Brian Jenkins to approve contract with Study Island, with a second by R.C. Hutchins. The motion carried 5-0.

VI. Reports/Information

- **Reports from Principals/Supervisors:** Lori Collins, Matt Murphy and Jamie Jordan reported special activities that took place at their school.
- **TSBA "Day on the Hill" Tuesday, February 21, 2012, at the Sheraton Downtown Nashville.**
- **March 8, 2012, next School Board Meeting (Clinton Municipal Building)**
- **TSBA Teaming and the School Board: Working Together To Improve Student Achievement, March 18-19, 2012, at the Music Road Hotel and Convention Center in Pigeon Forge.**
- **The 19th Annual Educators Appreciation Banquet hosted by the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce and The Education Foundation at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20th, at the Junior Achievement Hollingsworth Center.**

VII. Director Report: Dr. Violette shared several items with the School Board:

- The “Book of List” reported that Clinton City Schools ranked second out of thirteen regional school systems in Grade Point Average (GPA).
- David Coffey posted in The Oak Ridger an article called “Can our East Tennessee 3rd Graders Read.” In this article he stated that, “even with tough demographics some schools are coping... North Clinton Elementary School gets more than 61% of its third graders to proficiency even with 86% in free and reduced lunches”. North Clinton ranked 6th place, Clinton Elementary School ranked 9th place, and South Clinton Elementary School ranked 11th in reading proficiency on the chart that was included in the Oak Ridger Newspaper article.
- President Barack Obama will grant waiver to the requirements of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) law, giving leeway to states that provide an approval replacement plan for student achievement. Tennessee was among the first ten states chosen to receive a waiver.
- The Governor’s Proposed Budget for next year appears that it will include money for: Coordinated School Health Program, Extended Contracts, Safe Schools Grant, BEP Funds, and the Student Management System. The Pre-K Program was absent from this preliminary budget announcement. The proposed Budget has a 2.5% raise for all state employees.
- John Branam, Manager at Community Trust Bank, will donate \$1,000 to the school system to purchase 2 iPads.
- Dr. Violette reported that we have two people that will be retiring from the school system at the end of the school year:
 - Dr. Bill Hodgers
 - Gary Lukat

VIII. Adjournment of Meeting

Chairman Bible adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.



Dr. Tim Bible, Chairman



Dr. Vicki Violette, Director of Schools