

# CLINTON CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM

"A Tradition of Excellence"

## **Clinton City Board of Education Regular Meeting South Clinton Elementary School Library Thursday, February 10, 2011 5:30 p.m.**

The Clinton City Board of Education met on February 10, 2011, in the South Clinton Elementary School Library. Board of Education members present were: Tim Bible, Jim Webster, Merle Pryse, Betty Sellers and Brian Jenkins. Board of Education members not present: R.C. Hutchins. Others attending were: Vicki Violette, Debbie Long, Jackie Easterday, Bill Rodgers, Dale Isabell, Danny Goins, Gary Lukat, Rick Burchfield, Lori Collins, Matt Murphy, Kathleen Jones, Carol Francke-Goss, Lorrie Irwin, Betty Kay Pierce, Christina Robbins & Family, Donna Jerden and Kim Martin.

### **I. Call to Order by Board Chair**

Chairman Bible called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

### **II. Recognitions**

#### **2011 Spelling Bee Winner – Christina Robbins, North Clinton Elementary School:**

Chairman Bible and Dr. Vicki Violette presented Christina Robbins with a gift certificate for winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Spelling Bee for three years in a row. She will represent Clinton City Schools in the Regional Spelling Bee on March 19<sup>th</sup> at the University of Tennessee.

### **III. Approval of Agenda and/or Additions to the Agenda**

Chairman Bible asked for approval of the agenda. A motion was made by Brian Jenkins to approve the agenda as presented, with a second by Merle Pryse. The motion carried 5-0.

### **IV. Consent Agenda**

Chairman Bible called for approval of Board of Education Minutes – November 11, 2010. Copies of the School Board meeting of November 11, 2010, were attached to agenda materials.

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by Betty Sellers, with a second by Jim Webster. The motion carried 5-0.

### **V. Financial Report:**

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

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

Jim Webster amended his previous motion and asked to approve the Financial Reports for November, December and January, with a second by Brian Jenkins. The motion carried 5-0 (roll call vote).

#### **B. Approval of Financial Report – December:** Copies of the December Financial Report were attached to agenda materials.

See above for approval of December Financial Report.

- C. 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.

See above for approval of January financial report

- D. Approval of Budget Amendment Four:** Copies of Budget Amendment Four were attached to agenda materials. Mr. Isabell recommended to the School Board for approval the line items listed below for the 2010-2011 school year:

- Transfer in General Purpose School Fund (\$22,868.72)
- Transfer in Federal Project Funds (\$17,667.12)
- Decrease in Federal Project Fund Correction (\$63,608.00)

A motion was made by Betty Sellers to approve Budget Amendment Four, with a second by Merle Pryse. The motion carried 5-0 (roll call vote).

- E. Review Financial Audit for 2009-2010 School Year:** Mr. Isabell stated that Clinton City Schools had a good audit for the 2009-2010 school year, with only one audit finding. The one audit finding was under accrued liabilities which stated that payments of accrued liabilities were not always being posted to the correct account and/or fund.

A motion was made by Jim Webster to approve the 2009-2010 Financial Audit, with a second by Merle Pryse. The motion carried 5-0 (roll call vote).

## **VI. New Business Requiring Action by the Board**

- A. Approval of Proposed 2011-2012 School Calendar:** Copies were attached to agenda materials.

A motion was made by Brian Jenkins to approve the 2011-2012 Proposed School Calendar, with a second by Merle Pryse. The motion carried 5-0.

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

A motion was made by Betty Sellers to approve the sixth grade environmental camp fieldtrip, with a second by Jim Webster. The motion carried 5-0.

- C. Snow Day Make-Up Plan – Calendar 2010-2011:** Dr. Violette stated that the schools have three of the ten stockpiled days left for inclement weather. Dr. Violette recommended to the School Board an alternative calendar if the schools go over the ten days allotment. The three make-up days in order are: April 25, May 26 and 27.

A motion was made by Jim Webster to approve the snow day make-up plan, with a second by Betty Sellers. The motion carried 5-0.

- D. Approval Executive Report – After School Alternative Placement:** Dr. Violette stated that the Executive Committee met on Thursday, February 3, 2011, for the purpose of approving the After School Alternative Placement to begin Monday, February 14, 2011. Dr. Violette asked for approval of the Executive Report. Chairman Bible requested that one word, “contacting,” be changed to “contracting” on page four.

A motion was made by Merle Pryse to approve the Executive Report – After-School Alternative Placement, with a second by Brian Jenkins. The motion carried 5-0.



Dr. Violette officially introduced and welcomed Jackie Easterday to the School Board and audience, and stated that she would be the new Supervisor of Federal Projects.

Dr. Violette stated that last month was School Board Appreciation month and because the School Board didn't meet they would recognize them tonight. She publically thanked the School Board for all they do. Each School Board member was recognized with a gift from the school that they represent.

## **VII. Reports/Information**

### **➤ Reports from Principals/Supervisors**

Kathleen Jones, Interim Principal at Clinton Elementary School, reported the following activities:

- January 18                      Hosted the Anderson County Leadership Class
- January 20                      Parent Conference Day
- February 1                      Writing Assessment Grades 2-6
- February 4                      Evaluation & Assessment Training
- March 1                          Music Program at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

The PTO has donated over \$5,000 for a new sound system for the auditorium. The school has been able to donate an additional \$500, and a grandparent has donated \$300 for this project. Kathleen Jones presented Betty Sellers and Brian Jenkins with a goody bag from the students at Clinton Elementary School to thank them for all their hard work.

Lori Collins, Principal at South Clinton Elementary School, reported the following activities:

- December 17                      Reading is Fundamental (RIF)
- December 17                      Barry Mitchell presented a program called "Garbage Busters"
- March 2                              Read Day
- March 7-11                          Book Fair
- March 8                              Breakfast Buffet
- March 10                              Family Night

Three informational meetings have been scheduled to give parents information about 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp: The first meeting will be Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, at Clinton Elementary (6:00 p.m.); Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, at North Clinton Elementary School (5:30 p.m.), and Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at South Clinton Elementary School (6:30 p.m.). Lori Collins presented Jim Webster and Merle Pryse with a goody bag from the students at South Clinton Elementary School to thank them for all their hard work.

Matt Murphy, Principal at North Clinton Elementary School, reported the following activities:

- December                          Special Education Legal Conference
- January                              Otis Lennon School Ability Test
- February 4                          Evaluation and Assessment Training

One of North Clinton Elementary school parents gave a donation of \$1,000 to be used toward the children. Matt Murphy presented Tim Bible and R.C. Hutchins with a goody bag from the students at North Clinton Elementary School to thank them for all their hard work.

- **The next School Board Meeting will be March 10, 2011, at the Clinton Municipal Building**
- **TSBA "Day on the Hill" Tuesday, February 22, 2011, from 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. at the Sheraton Downtown Nashville. AIMS Luncheon February 22 at 11:30 a.m. at the Sheraton Downtown Nashville**
- **School Board Evaluation:** Chairman Bible stated that every couple of years the School Board needs to be evaluated by the School Board members from other school systems in order to remain a Tennessee School Boards Association (TSBA) Board of Distinction. He stated that he would talk with R.C. Hutchins about contacting and organizing this evaluation process.

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

- **Clinton Utility Board:** Clinton City Schools received a rebate check in the amount of \$5,831.00 from the Clinton Utility Board Incentive Program. This program gives rebates to those who have had Energy Efficiency projects that have showed energy savings. The money will be used to purchase new intercoms for South and North Clinton Elementary School.
- **Sidewalks for Schools:** Mayor Burton has requested information about the need for additional sidewalks around the schools. We are in the process of working with the schools to find out how many walkers, bike riders and skateboard riders we have.
- **School Illness:** We have had some illnesses at the schools, and we will continue to monitor the absentee rate.
- **Kathleen Jones:** Ms. Jones will be taking a medical leave for a couple of weeks, and Gary Lukat will be stepping in as acting principal until Ms. Jones returns.
- **Roofing at South Clinton Elementary School:** Mayor Burton has requested an updated quote to replace the roof at South Clinton Elementary School. Steve Small stated that Dixie Roofing quoted a price of \$154,560.00.
- **Roane County Alliance:** The Roane County Alliance report ranked 18 school districts in this region based on Achievement Test scores from the 2010 State Report Cards. Clinton City Schools came in third place out of 18 school districts. Maryville and Oak Ridge School Systems tied for first place and Alcoa City Schools came in second place.

**IX. Adjournment of Meeting**

Chairman Bible adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.



Dr. Tim Bible, Chairman



Dr. Vicki Violette, Director of Schools