

Board of Trustees Meeting
Date/Time: October 17, 2016 – 5:00 p.m.
Place: Campus of each District School

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ware Shoals School District 51 was held on Monday, October 17, 2016 at the campus of each school. The meeting began at the Ware Shoals Primary School, continued at the Elementary/Middle School, and adjourned at the Ware Shoals High School.

The Ware Shoals Observer was notified of the time and place of the meeting.

Present at the meeting were trustees Bruce Holland, Debbie Lake, Joey Ward, Scott Horne, and Shanon Calvert. Also present were Dr. Fay Sprouse, Superintendent; Brenda Mattison, Secretary to the Superintendent; Faye Branyon, The Observer representative; Dr. Daniel Crockett, Director of CCR; Paula Taylor, WSPS Principal, Ty Grogan, Technology Director; Nancy Brown, WSEMS Principal; Taylor Grogan, Julie King, Katie Pulley, Bryan Ross, Kerri Pratt, Kirsten Mobley, WSEMS teachers; Paul Anderson, WSHS Principal; Jan Wells, Shanon Crocker, Bryan Vanadore, WSPS staff; Julie Madden, Brynley Madden, Brayden Madden, Anna Doyle, Wylie Crockett, Brooke Crockett, Monteja Baker, Savannah Dill, Luke Wooten, Emily Smith, Tailynn Smith, Aiden Doyle, Brent Barr, Destiny Burroughs, and Caylin Barrett; students and parents.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Holland.

Chairman Holland lead in the Pledge of Allegiance followed with a moment of silence.

Public Input: None

The students of the WSPS Safety Patrol were recognized for their leadership. The custodial staff was recognized for receiving the “Top Job” award for the cleanliness of the WSPS building for the month of September.

Motion was made by Joey Ward to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Debbie Lake and approved by a vote of 5-0.

Motion was made by Shanon Calvert to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Joey Ward and approved by a vote of 5-0.

Dr. Crockett presented information regarding the McCormick County Teacher Residency Program. This initiative is designed to provide highly skilled individuals, who have degrees outside the education setting, opportunities to teach in rural districts while acquiring needed certification. McCormick County School District has been awarded a \$500,000 grant and desires to work with Greenwood 51 and Laurens 56 in placing 25 residents (potentially 3 in our district). Dr. Sprouse detailed that the average tenure of

our teachers is 17 years and more than 20 teachers are eligible to retire within the next three years. Details regarding resident housing still need to be worked out.

Motion was made by Scott Horne to approve the district to further investigate the McCormick County Teacher Residency Program and its implementation. The motion was seconded by Joey Ward and approved by a vote of 5-0.

Motion was made by Scott Horne to accept the request from Kathryn Wallace to be released from her 2016-2017 teacher contract. The motion was seconded by Shanon Calvert and approved by a vote of 3-2 with Bruce Holland and Joey Ward opposing.

The Board of Trustees visited each school and was led on a tour of the facility by each principal with updates given on the school year.

Motion was made by Joey Ward to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Shanon Calvert and approved by a vote of 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Joey Ward, Secretary
(Minutes prepared by Brenda Mattison)