

CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 8, 2012

The Cherokee County School District No. 1 Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, October 8, 2012 at 6:30 PM in the Board Room at the District Administrative Office. Board members present were Chair Mr. Mike Ellis, Vice Chair Mr. Jim Touchberry, Secretary Ms. Cheryll D. Smith, Mr. Barry E. Bailey, Mr. Billy Blackwell, Mr. Ron Garner, Mrs. Robin D. Harper, Mr. C. Alan McEntire, and Mr. Johnny Sarratt, Jr. Administrators present were Superintendent Dr. Quincie L. Moore, Associate Superintendent for Accountability and Planning Dr. Carlotta Redish, and Director of Finance Mr. Brock Heron. News media present were Mr. Scott Powell - Gaffney Ledger and Mr. Tommy Martin – Cherokee Chronicle.

In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, Section 30-40-80(d), as amended, the following have been notified of the time, date, and agenda of this meeting: The Blacksburg Times, The Cherokee Chronicle, The Gaffney Ledger, the Shelby Star, the Spartanburg Herald-Journal, Radio Stations WEAC-AM and WFGN, WSPA-TV, WYFF-TV, and WSOC-TV.

Chair Mr. Mike Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and the first item on the agenda was Executive Session – Student Discipline Hearing. Mr. Ellis called for a motion to go into executive session. **Mr. McEntire made the motion to go into executive session for a student discipline hearing, seconded by Ms. Smith. Trustees voted unanimously to go into executive session.** The executive session began at 6:32 PM and ended at 7:30 PM. Mr. Ellis said the board had been in executive session to discuss a student discipline hearing and called for a motion to return to regular session. **Mr. Garner made the motion to return to regular session, seconded by Mr. Sarratt. All trustees voted unanimously for the motion. Mr. Ellis called for a motion from the floor. Mr. Blackwell made the motion to uphold the recommendation of the District Administration, seconded by Mr. Touchberry. The following trustees voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Garner, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Touchberry, Mrs. Harper, Mr. McEntire, and Mr. Sarratt. Ms. Smith voted in opposition to the motion. The motion passed by majority of vote.**

Mr. Ellis recognized the news media present. Mr. Garner led in the opening prayer. AFJROTC presented the Presentation of Colors.

Approval of the Board Agenda was the next item on the agenda. **Mrs. Harper made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Touchberry. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Regular Board Minutes dated September 10, 2012 were presented for approval. **Ms. Smith made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Ms. Harper. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

School Board Policy BCBI - Public Participation was the next item on the agenda. The individual who asked to speak before the Board did not show up.

The next item on the agenda was Honors/Accomplishments/Commendations. Dr. Moore recognized Mrs. Kim Camp and staff at Alma Elementary for Alma Elementary being named a Professional Development School. Dr. Moore recognized Daryll Smith with Spartanburg Community College. He gave a presentation on Lego Robotics.

The next item on the agenda was Update from Southwest Securities. Mr. Mike Gallagher with Southwest Securities presented information to the Board explaining the current debt structure of the district.

Update on Maintenance Projects was the next item on the agenda. Mr. Willis gave a presentation showing the playground project at Northwest Elementary. **Mr. McEntire made a motion that the District get a bid to remove bleachers at Blacksburg High School, seconded by Mrs. Harper. After much discussion, Mr. McEntire withdrew his motion.**

Roof Project Update – Stafford Engineering was the next item on the agenda. Stafford Engineering gave an update on the roofing projects going on in the district. **Mr. Bailey made a motion that the Board approved work suggested by Stafford Engineering at Blacksburg Elementary, seconded by Mr. Touchberry. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Young's Grove Road Property was the next item on the agenda. **Mrs. Harper made a motion in pursuant to the authority granted to school district board of trustees under State law, I move that the Board deed its entire interest via quit claim deed to the abandoned District property formerly known as the Young's Grove Road School Lot and Building to the Young's Grove Church so that the Church will have clear title to the property in order to pursue renovation of the building located thereon. This is the same property that was deeded by the Cherokee County School District to the Young's Grove Community Trustees in 1956, which deed contained a reverter clause. I further move that the Board authorize the Chairman to execute the deed to this property, seconded by Mr. Garner. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

The next item on the agenda was Board Policy BD – Organizational of the Board (First Reading) Dr. Moore gave a brief description of Policy BD.

The next item on the agenda was Board Policy IFBG – Technology Acceptable Use (First Reading) Dr. Moore gave a brief description of Policy IFBG.

The next item on the agenda was Superintendent's Report.

Test Data – Dr. Moore gave a PowerPoint Presentation showing 2012 SAT and EOC Test Data.

Assistant Principal Academy - Dr. Redish spoke about the Assistant Principal Academy and discussed what sessions will be available in the district

After-School Academy for Priority and Focus Schools – Ms. Blackwood spoke to trustees about the After-School Academy for Priority and Focus Schools and what is being offered in the district.

Common Core Implementation – Mrs. Bagwell spoke to trustees about Common Core Implementation that is going on in the district. Mrs. Patterson explained the Common Core information that was provided to the trustees during the meeting.

SCSBA Delegate Assembly – Dr. Moore discussed the voting process with the trustees that are planning to attend the SCSBA Delegate Assembly.

Board Newsletters - Dr. Moore provided newsletters to trustees that contained valuable Board information for their review. **This item was received for information only; no action was taken.**

Home & School Connection Newsletter - Dr. Moore provided a copy of Home & School Connection Newsletter to the trustees for their review. **This item was received for information only; no action was taken.**

Financial Update – Mr. Brock Heron, Director of Finance, provided trustees with the financial report for the month of September. **This item was received for information only; no action was taken.**

Refunding of 2005 Bond Issue- Mr. Blackwell made a motion that the Board approve the resolution to issue general obligation bonds not exceeding \$15 million, seconded by Ms. Smith. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.

Personnel Report – Dr. Moore asked trustees to approve the Personnel Recommendations. **Mrs. Harper made the motion to approve Personnel Recommendations, seconded by Mr. Garner. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Announcements were the next item on the agenda. Dr. Moore reminded trustees of upcoming events.

Other Matters

Mr. Bailey thanked everyone for what they do. He asked if the playground property at Northwest Elementary is a flood area. Mr. Willis confirmed it is not a flood area.

Mr. Blackwell thanked everyone for what they do. He asked that an update on activity buses be added to the workshop agenda.

Ms. Smith thanked everyone for what they do.

Mr. Touchberry congratulated Alma Elementary and Junior Leadership. He understands that the bleacher issue at Blacksburg High School is not an overnight thing and he understands all the concerns.

Mrs. Harper congratulated Mrs. Camp and Alma Elementary for their hard work.

Mr. McEntire congratulated Alma Elementary and appreciates the hard work being done in the district.

Mr. Sarratt, Jr. congratulated Alma Elementary and asked that the district look into activity buses.

Mr. Ellis appreciates everything the district is doing.

Mr. Ellis called for a motion to adjourn. **Ms. Smith made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Harper. Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.


Ms. Cheryl D. Smith, Secretary

APPROVED BY:


Mr. Mike A. Ellis, Chairman