

# Official Minutes of the Caldwell County Board of Education Meeting January 12, 2015

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The Caldwell County Board of Education meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM, at the Education Center.

The following people were present:

Darrell Pennell, Chairman

Duane Knight, Vice Chairman

Dottie Darsie

Linda Coffey

Tim Hawkins

Joe Sims

Teresa Branch

The following administrative staff members were present:

Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent

Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resource Services

Dr. Caryl Burns, Associate Superintendent for Educational Program Services

Dr. Jeff Church, Associate Superintendent for Auxiliary Services

David Johnson, Director of Finance

Ed Blair, Board Attorney

## **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Mr. Joe Sims led the invocation for the Board. Hibriten High School students' Michael Mann and Cody Gragg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ACTION-APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Mrs. Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

**ACTION | APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Upon motion of Mrs. Teresa Branch, and seconded by Mr. Tim Hawkins, the Board unanimously approved the December 01, 2014, Regular Session Minutes.

**HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS**

School Community Services Director Ms. Libby Brown, announced individuals for honors and recognitions:

- Science Fair Regional Winner (Third Place-Junior Tech/Engineering Division) - Westley Yates, Eighth Grade, Happy Valley School.
- School Board Appreciation Month

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Darrell Pennell opened the meeting for public comment. There was no public comment.

**ACTION | PROPOSED BOARD POLICY REVISIONS | APPROVAL FOR A ONE-MONTH PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD | PRESENTED BY DR. STEVE STONE, SUPERINTENDENT**

Upon motion of Mrs. Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Mr. Joe Sims, the Board unanimously approved the following Board Policies for a 30 day comment period: 1510-4200-7270, 1710-4021-7230, 1720-4015-7225, 3210, 3225-4312-7320, 3320, 3410, 3420, 4050, 4202-5029-7272, 4235-6130-7263, 5070-7350, 5120, 6200, 6210, 6220, 6225, 6230 New, 6230, 7265, 7420, 7425, 7950, 9020, 9120, and 9220.

**INFORMATION/ACTION | PERSONNEL MATTERS | PRESENTED BY DR. TRISH JOHNSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES**

The attached personnel matters were presented to the Board for information only.

Upon motion of Ms. Linda Coffey, and Vice Chairman Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the attached personnel matters.

**ACTION | 2014-2015 STUDENT TRANSFER REQUEST | PRESENTED BY DR. TRISH JOHNSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES**

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Mrs. Teresa Branch, the Board unanimously approved the attached student transfer request for the 2014-2015 school year.

**ACTION | DIFFERENTIATION PAY PLAN | FOLLOWING A ONE MONTH PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD | PRESENTED BY DR. TRISH JOHNSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES**

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Mrs. Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the Differentiation Pay Plan.

**ACTION | AUXILIARY SERVICES | PRESENTED BY DR. JEFF CHURCH, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR AUXILIARY SERVICES**

Upon motion of Mrs. Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Vice Chairman Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the West Caldwell Health Council Sewer Line Agreement.

**ACTION | FINANCE | PRESENTED BY DAVID JOHNSON, FINANCE OFFICER**

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Mrs. Teresa Branch, the Board unanimously approved Amendment (7) State Public School Fund and Amendment (8) Federal Grant Fund.

Upon motion of Mr. Joe Sims, and seconded by Mrs. Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved to add State 403(b) and State 457(b) Plans to the Caldwell County Schools' retirement offerings for employees.

**INFORMATION | BOARD**

Chairman Darrell Pennell presented the Board Committee Assignments for 2015.

**INFORMATION | PRESENTED BY DR. STEVE STONE, SUPERINTENDENT**

Dr. Stone presented a power point presentation concerning the future of learning in North Carolina.

**ACTION | CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION**

Upon motion of Ms. Linda Coffey, and seconded by Mrs. Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved to proceed to Closed Session at 6:37 PM, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(A)(3) to discuss possible litigation.

**ACTION | RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

Upon motion of Mr. Tim Hawkins, and seconded by Ms. Linda Coffey, the Board unanimously approve to reconvene to Open Session at 7:20 PM.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Darrell Pennell made the following announcements:

- **Community Board Meeting** | January 26, 2015 | South Caldwell High School | 6:00 PM
- **Board Meeting** | February 09, 2015 | Education Center | Art Gallery 5:45 PM | Board Meeting 6:00 PM

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Mr. Tim Hawkins, and second by Mrs. Dottie Darsie, and with unanimous approval of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 PM.

Signed:

Attest:

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Darrell Pennell, Chairman,  
Caldwell County Board of Education

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Dr. Steve Stone, Secretary,  
Caldwell County Board of Education