

# Official Minutes of the Caldwell County Board of Education Meeting March 10, 2014

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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  
Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman  
Dottie Darsie  
Dr. Helen Hall  
Linda Coffey  
Duane Knight

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, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services  
Libby Brown, School Community Relations Director  
Ed Blair, School Board Attorney

## **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Dr. Caryl Burns, Associate Superintendent gave the invocation. Collettsville School students Chloe Blair, Kayle Hardin, and Boyd Hindman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall and second by Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the following revisions, deletion of item XVI. Closed Session.

## **ACTION | APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Upon motion of Duane Knight and second by Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, the Board unanimously approved the February 10, 2014, Regular Session Minutes, and the February 10, 2014, Closed Session Minutes.

## **HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS**

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

- Education Center Art Gallery Students
- Jacob Houck, Sophomore at West Caldwell High School, Won the NC 2A Wrestling Championship in the 126 lb. Weight Division
- Caleb Wooten, Junior at West Caldwell High School, Placed 3rd in the State in the 190 lb. Weight Division at the NC 2A Wrestling Competition
- 25 Caldwell County Middle School Students Who Have Read Over 1 Million Words During The First Semester
- South Caldwell High School State Beta Winners
- Hibriten High School's American Field Service (AFS Club) has Received National Recognition

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

#### **RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS WEEK AND NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELORS WEEK**

Jill Duffy, Student Support Services recognized National School Social Workers Week and National School Counseling Week. Mrs. Duffy commended all of Caldwell County Schools' Councilors and Social Workers.

#### **ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT PROPOSAL UNDER THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S READ TO ACHIEVE**

Upon motion of Dottie Darsie and second by Dr. Helen Hall, the Board unanimously approved the attached Alternative Assessment Proposal, as presented by Dr. Caryl Burns, Associate Superintendent for Educational Program Services.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION**

Upon motion of Duane Knight, and second by Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, the Board unanimously approved David Johnson as the Director of the Finance for Caldwell County, effective April 01, 2014.

#### **INFORMATION | PERSONNEL MATTERS**

Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources, presented the attached personnel matters to the Board for information only.

#### **ACTION | PERSONNEL MATTERS**

Upon motion of Dottie Darsie and second by Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the attached personnel matters, as presented by Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resource

### **ACTION – STUDENT TRANSFER REQUEST FOR 2013-2014**

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall and second by Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the attached student transfer request for 2013-2014, as presented by Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources.

### **2014-2016 TECHNOLOGY PLAN**

Upon motion of Dottie Darsie and second by Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, the Board unanimously approved the attached 2014-2016 Technology Plan, as presented by Dr. Caryl Burns, Associate Superintendent for Educational Program Services.

### **BIDS FOR BOLIER REPLACEMENT AT GRANITE FALLS ELEMENTRAY SCHOOL**

Upon motion of Duane Knight and second from Dr. Helen Hall, the Board unanimously approved the attached bid from the James M. Pleasants Company as presented by Jeff Church, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services.

### **ADM APPLICATION FOR BOILER REPLACEMENT AT GRANITE FALLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Upon motion of Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, and second by Duane Knight, the Board Unanimously approved the attached ADM Application for the boiler replacement at Granite Falls Elementary School, as presented by the Dr. Jeff Church, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services.

### **SPECIAL INSPECTIONS PROPOSALS**

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall and second by Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the attached Froehling and Robertson, Inc. Special Inspections Proposals associated with the construction to the new William Lenoir Middle School, as presented by Dr. Jeff Church, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services.

### **ACTION | BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Upon motion of Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, and second by Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the attached amendments to the State Public School Fund (14), Local Current Expense Fund (15), and Federal Grants Fund (16), as presented by Dr. Trish Johnson, Interim Finance Director

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S INFORMATION**

March 28, 2014 will be an inclement weather make-up day. The three additional make-up days will be determined at the March 24, 2014, Spring Board Work Session.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Darrell Pennell, Chairman, made the following announcements:

- **Board Work Session** | March 24, 2014 | South Caldwell High School | 3:00 PM
- **Community Board Meeting** | March 24, 2014 | South Caldwell High School | 6:00 PM
- **Board of Education Meeting** | April 14, 2014 | Education Center | 6:00 PM

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Tim Hawkins, Vice Chairman, and second by Duane Knight, and with unanimous approval of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Signed:

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Chairman, Caldwell County Board of Education

Attest:

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Secretary, Caldwell County Board of Education