

# Official Minutes of the Caldwell County Board of Education Meeting October 14, 2013

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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  
Linda Coffey  
Dr. Helen Hall  
Duane Knight  
Joe Sims

The following administrative staff members were present:

Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent  
Dr. Caryl Burns, Associate Superintendent for Educational Program Services  
Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resource Services  
Dr. Jeff Church, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services  
Karla Miller, Finance Director  
Libby Brown, School Community Relations Director  
Ed Blair, School Board Attorney

## **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Linda Coffey, Board Member gave the invocation. Whitnel Elementary Schools Students: Timothy Henson and Isaac Robbins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Upon Motion of Linda Coffey and second by Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the following revisions: Deletion of Item X(A)(1): Petition for Voluntary Annexation of Property Rezoning for the New Hibriten District Middle School.

## **ACTION-APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Upon motion of Duane Knight and second by Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the September 09, 2013, Board of Education Minutes.

## **HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS**

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

- Resolution in Recognition of National Principals Month – Darrell Pennell, Chairman
- Education Center Art Gallery Students
- Lauren Owens, senior at South Caldwell High School, selected as a semifinalist in the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program
- Title I Reward Schools for 2013-2014: Baton Elementary, Collettsville School, Davenport A+ School, Happy Valley School, William Lenoir Middle and Whitnel Elementary

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

## **SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION**

Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent, publicly expressed his appreciation to the Caldwell County Board of Commissioners for the additional grant funding for School Resource Officers.

## **ACTION – PROPOSED REVISION TO BOARD POLICY 4251-6131 DO NOT RESUSCIATE ORDER**

Upon motion of Dottie Darsie and second by Dr. Helen Hall, the Board unanimously approved the attached Board Policy 4251-6131, Do Not Resuscitate Order, for adoption following a one-month comment period. Two public comments were discussed, one in favor and one against, as presented by Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall and second by Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, the Board unanimously approved the appointment of Renae Clark, as Interim Principal at Oak Hill School, effective October 15, 2013 until June 30, 2014, as presented by Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent.

## **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 Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, the Board unanimously approved the attached personnel matters, as presented by Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources.

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

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

## **ACTION – BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Upon motion of Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, and second by Dr. Helen Hall, the Board unanimously approved the attached amendments to the State Public School Fund, Local Current Expense Fund, and Federal Expense Fund as presented by Karla Miller, Finance Director.

## **BOARD INFORMATION**

Linda Coffey presented information on the School Law Symposium. Duane Knight presented information on the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's Annual Meeting, and Joes Sims presented information of the North Carolina School Board Association's District VII meeting.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Darrell Pennell, Chairman, announced the following dates:

- **Board Work Session** – October 28, 2013 – 3:00 PM – Hibriten High School – Panther Den
- **Community Board Meeting** – October 28, 2013 - 6:00 PM – Hibriten High School
- **Board of Education Meeting** – November 04, 2013 – Education Center - 5:45 PM, Student Art Gallery Reception -6:00 PM, Board Meeting

**CONVENE TO CLOSE SESSION**

Upon motion of Duane Knight and second by Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, the Board unanimously voted to convene to Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143.-318.11 (a) (3) to discuss a pending litigation at 6:50 PM.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

Upon motion of Tim Hawkins, Vice-Chairman, and second by Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously voted to reconvene to Open Session at 7:15 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Joe Sims and second by Linda Coffey, and with unanimous approval of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Signed:

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Chairman, Caldwell County Board of Education

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Secretary, Caldwell County Board of Education