

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Caldwell County Board of Education met on October 23, 2006, for a community meeting at West Caldwell High School.

The following members were present:

Dr. Sharon S. Pennell, Chairman
Mike LaBrose, Vice-Chairman
Helen Beam
Dottie Darsie
Tim Hawkins
Linda Coffey

Kay Phillips was absent.

Following the performance by the West Caldwell High School Chorus, directed by Nancy Witcher, Chairman Dr. Sharon S. Pennell called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Chairman Dr. Sharon S. Pennell welcomed the community and thanked Chris Burton, Principal, West Caldwell High School, for hosting the meeting.

Chairman Dr. Sharon S. Pennell recognized the following individuals from The Education Center: Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources, Donnie Bassinger, Associate Superintendent for Auxiliary Services, Libby Brown, School-Community Relations Director and Dawn Weese, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent. She also introduced Superintendent Dr. Steve Stone.

Chris Burton, Principal, West Caldwell High School, welcomed the community, schools in attendance, and Board Members to the home of the Warriors.

Palma Neal, 4th Grade Teacher, Gamewell Elementary School, gave the invocation and the West Caldwell High School NJROTC presented the colors under the direction of Commander Butch McClendon.

Megan Moffitt, 8th Grade Student, Gamewell Middle School, sang The National Anthem and Kelly Beaver and Annie Matheson's 2nd Grade Classroom students at West Lenoir School of Technology, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

STATUS REPORTS

Brief explanations of the attached status reports, as well as one point of interest at each school, were given by the individuals noted at the following schools: Jason Krider, Principal, Collettsville School; Tommy Puett, Assistant Principal, Gamewell Elementary School; Chris Ackerman, Principal, West Lenoir School of Technology; Keith Hindman, Principal, Gamewell Middle School; Debbie Kincaid, Principal, Career Center High School and Chris Burton, Principal, West Caldwell High School.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Dr. Sharon S. Pennell opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment.

Chairman Dr. Sharon S. Pennell introduced Superintendent Dr. Steve Stone to the West Caldwell community and Dr. Stone addressed the community regarding his very favorable first four months in Caldwell County.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Dr. Sharon S. Pennell asked for approval to adjourn at the conclusion of the special presentations. Her request was unanimously approved.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

The Gamewell Elementary School 5th Grade Chorus, Chaun Frady, 5th Grade Teacher, Phoebe Tucker, Chorus Director; Collettsville 7th/8th Grade Band, Anna Bottoms, Director; Career Center High School Students and Staff, "Junkyard Wars" and the West Caldwell High School Jazz Ensemble, Randy Ingold, Director, all provided wonderful presentations to the Board and community.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Signed _____
Chairman, Caldwell County Board of Education

Attest:

Secretary, Caldwell County Board of Education