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MINUTES

THOMASVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
6:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 6, 2017
Huneycutt Administration Building

**Board Members
Present:**

Kevan Callicutt
Keith Raulston

James Carmichael
Belinda Clark
Andrea Walker

**Board Attorney
Present:**

Bradley Hunt

**Guests in
Attendance**

Neil Grimes, City Councilman
Debbie Hightower, Thomasville Times Reporter

**Superintendent
& Staff Members
Present:**

Dr. Patrice Faison
Ashton Clemmons
Dr. Barbara Armstrong
Dr. Cate Gentry
Scott Powell
Johnnie Musgrave

Greg Miller
Gloria Smith
Ken Hill
Mary Jane
Akerman
Brenda Watford

Dr. Angela Moore
Krystal Sanders
Kevin Leake
Megan Silvey
Michelle Posley

**Welcome & Call
to Order:**

Welcome and meeting brought to order by Board Chairman, Kevan Callicutt.

**Appearance by
Citizen(s):**

Seven THS students addressed the Board on behalf of C.K. Turner and presented their reasoning for why he should remain Assistant Principal at THS for the coming school year. The also presented the Board with a signed petition of names citing the same sentiment.

***Adoption of
Agenda:**

Motion was made by James Carmichael and a second by Keith Raulston to adopt the meeting agenda. a motion to adopt was approved.

Good News:

Thomasville Middle Schools' 6th Grade Dragon Team shared a song they taught to assist with memorization of geometric formulas. The song was catchy and they believed it helped the students to remember hard-to-learn concepts.

ESL Students from THS Shared a few of their experiences from attending the Hispanic Summit

Steve Bare, THS Athletic Director, Recognized Coach Richard Herman as a 2017 recipient of the Homer Thompson Memorial Eight Who Make a Difference Award. This award is designed to recognize Coaches from the 8 NCHSAA regions in North Carolina who exemplify sportsmanship, character and commitment to their student athletes and sports. The Board congratulates Coach Herman.

Bulldog Nation Award

Recipients of The Bulldog Nation Award were Nicole Hayes from LDES and Maria Vargas, THS.

Our district has awarded 18 teachers with this award during the 2016-2017 school year.

Whole Child Information Update

Mary Jane Akerman, CIS Executive Director, updated the board on a pilot program in which we are participants.

TCS is one of two selected in the State to present at an upcoming state-wide seminar.

Capital Outlay Update

Dr. Faison shared with the board that cosmetic updates are still taking place throughout the district.

She shared that the TPS roofing project is underway; Mr. Miller met with construction engineers today.

Dr. Faison also shared that a review of last year's capital needs assessment has been review and projects have been prioritized. Upgrades this coming summer will be to the restrooms at Thomasville High School as well as replacement to a few HVAC systems there.

Personnel Update

Dr. Faison shared an organizational chart outlining the responsibilities of staff members beginning July 1, 2017. Dr. Faison stated that the chart would be shared with all stakeholders this Friday as part of the weekly "Leading the Nation" eNewsletter.

Board of Education Retreat

The retreat will be held August 19 at a location to be determined. The Board will begin reading 'The Energy Bus' with the goal of "One Book/One Community: Building a Culture of Excellence through Education and Common Language."

**Superintendent's
Report**

Dr. Faison shared highlights of the month with the board and the meeting group.

Dr. Faison expressed her thanks to Mr. Randy Duncan for serving the past two year as principal at THS and expressed her sincere well wishes for him and his family in the future.

She invited everyone to the Welcome Reception for Leslie Kinard, who has been hired as the THS Principal. The reception is Thursday, June 8th in the High School Media Center at 3:15 p.m.

Dr. Faison announced that she would be having lunch with her newly selected Student Advisory Council on Thursday. They will be meeting in room 105 at Thomasville Middle School.

Dr. Faison informed everyone that during the 2017-2018 school year Board Briefings would continue to be held in the Board Room at the Administrative Office but she has asked that each principal select one date to host the actual Board meeting at their school. By doing this she hopes to showcase our students, their work, and our buildings.

***Approval of
Meeting Minutes**

Motion was made by Belinda Clark and a second by James Carmichael to approve the meeting minutes from 4/26/2017, 5/2/2017, & 5/9/2017. The motion was unanimously approved.

***Board of
Education Policy**

Dr. Gentry presented the Board with policies which have been reviewed in committee for Board consideration. Dr. Gentry asked the Board to approve the first reading/pre-adoption and requested the policies be tabled until the June 30th Board Meeting.

Policies for first reading/pre-adoption are:

- a. 3460 – Graduation Requirements
- b. 3620 – Extra Curricular Activities
- c. 5008 – Automated Phone and Text Messaging
- d. 6220 – Operation of School Nutrition Services
- e. 9110 – Use and Selection of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors, and Construction Managers At Risk

The board approved the request on a motion made by James Carmichael and seconded by Belinda Clark.

***Board of
Education Policy**

Dr. Gentry presented the Board with policies which have been tabled since the last Board meeting. Upon requested approval, these policies will update or be added to the current policy manual.

Policies for Adoption:

4202/5029/7272 – Service and Therapy Animals in Schools

7500 – Workday and Overtime

The board approved the request on a motion made by Belinda Clark and seconded by Andrea Walker.

***Application for
CTE State and
Federal Funding**

Gloria Smith shared the funding proposal for CTE programming in the 2017-2018 school year.

The board approved the funding proposal as a motion was made by James Carmichael and seconded by Keith Raulston. The motion carried.

***Budget
Amendments**

Scott Powell shared with the Board amendments to the budget. A motion to accept the amendments as presented was made by Keith Raulston and seconded by Andrea Walker. The amendments were unanimously accepted.

***School Nutrition
Vendors**

Brenda Watford, School Nutrition Director, shared with the Board a request to accept specific, bid-winning food vendors. She outlined how the bids were requested and accepted noting that we participate in this process with Lexington City School and Davidson County in order to receive better pricing.

The Board accepted vendors for the 2017-2018 school year on a motion made by Andrea Walker and seconded by Belinda Clark.

***Agreement
between TCS
and Vocational
Rehabilitation**

Ken Hill presented the annual agreement between TCS and the NC Department of Vocational Rehabilitation requesting Board approval for the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Hill outlined several ways in which students with special needs benefit from the VR's provided services.

James Carmichael made a motion to continue the agreement with VR and Keith Raulston offered a second. The Board approved the agreement.



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***Overnight Field
Trip Request(s)**

Two requests were presented for permission for overnight field trips. Approval for the trips will be tabled until June 29 as the Board requested additional information. A motion for table both the THS Cheerleading trip and THS Volleyball trip was made by Belinda Clark and seconded by Andrea Walker. The motion passed and the trips will be tabled.

***Personnel**

Dr. Faison presented the Personnel report to the Board for their approval. A motion to accept the report was offered by Keith Raulston and seconded by Andrea Walker. The Board accepted the personnel report as submitted.

***Closed Session**

A request to move into closed session was made by Andrea Walker and seconded James Carmichael pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (6) so that personnel matters may be considered by the Board. The motion carried and the Board went into closed session.

Kevan W. Callicutt
Board Chairman

Patrice Faison, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools