

Kevan W. Callicutt, Chairperson Keith Raulston, Vice Chairperson James Carmichael Cheryl Jefferies Andrea Walker

MINUTES

THOMASVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 10, 2018
Huneycutt Administrative Building Board Room

Board Members

Present:

Kevan Callicutt Keith Raulston James Carmichael Cheryl Jefferies

Board Attorney: Attorney was absent from meeting.

City Council Members Present: Jane Murphy

Media/Press in Attendance:

Debbie Hightower

Superintendent's

Staff in Attendance:

Dr. Cate Gentry Kelli Dalton Scott Powell

Scott Powell Lo Johnnie Musgrave Tyl

Jennifer Buck Ken Hill Lorrie Johnson Tyler Tobin Carlton Hogan

Aaron Kline
Jennifer Tallant
Kevin Leake
Michelle Posley
Leslie Kinard
Megan Silvey
Jamille Rhodes

Dr. Angela Moore

Welcome & Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Callicutt who recognized guests in attendance and welcomed everyone back from Spring Break.

The Thomasville High School JROTC presented the Colors and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizen
Appearance:

Mrs. Sheraton Love addressed the Board and audience inviting everyone to attend the "Education Town Hall Meeting" sponsored by TCS PTAs and Parent Advisory Groups. The Town Hall will be held in the Huneycutt Administrative Building Board Room on April 26, 2018, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Love left printed flyers for everyone to take.

*Adoption of Agenda:

Motion was made by Keith Raulston and a second by Cheryl Jefferies to adopt the meeting agenda. The motion was approved.



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Student Recognitions:

Mrs. Tallant recognized, Nayeli Aparicio, student attending Liberty Drive Elementary School who participated in the 2017 Davidson County Art Expo and earned a Blue Ribbon for her work.

Art Award Winner

– Jennifer Tallant

Ms. Posley, TMS Assistant Principal, and Mr. Brodie, TMS Debate Team Coach, introduced the newly formed TMS Debate Team and the Board recognized the team's competing in Charlotte. This was their first competition as a school group and anticipate being part of more debates in the future.

TMS Debate Team
– Michelle Posley

JROTC Recognitions – Dr. Cate Gentry

Dr. Gentry, on behalf of the BOE, congratulated Lt. Col. Merkel and the entire JROTC program for their recent Accreditation. In addition to being Accredited, the Cadets earned an Outstanding 96% and also earned Distinction as an Honor Unit.

Faculty/Staff Recognitions:

Kelli Dalton, CHRO, recognized Bulldog Nation 2.0 Winners for the 3rd quarter of this school year. Deserving winners are Claudia Marini and Cassandra McClendon.

Dr. Gentry recognized the district's Assistant Principals and congratulated and thanked them for their dedication and commitment to the students of Thomasville.

Ken Hill, EC Director, recognized two outstanding EC Teachers who were awarded the Nancy Sink Frazier Distinguished Teacher Award in Special Education for 2017-2018. Recipients of this honor were Ms. Charity Batman and Ms. Ashley Bayse.

LDES Playground Update

Mr. Hill shared a PowerPoint presentation with the Board which illustrated the upgrades to the LDES playground. The new playground equipment will be for all students, with and without disabilities. The current equipment will be moved to Thomasville Primary School.

Installation of the new equipment will begin in May and will be completed by the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year.

Mr. Hill thanked Ms. Claudia Marini for her dedication to the project and also thanked the Rotary Club and Mr. Scott Powell for working together with him to fund the upgraded/inclusive equipment.

*Mental Health Initiative/MOU

Mr. Hill discussed with Board details of the Mental Health plan which will be in place at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year. A copy of the MOU was provided to the Board for their consideration.

A motion to approve the MOU was made by James Carmichael and seconded by Cheryl Jefferies. The motion carried and the MOU is approved.



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*Revised
DPI/LEA MAC
Participation
Agreement

Mr. Hill discussed a revised agreement between DPI and Thomasville City Schools. Mr. Hill outlined the basics of how the program is working in TCS and the ways in which it benefits the school district.

A copy of the agreement was provided to all Board members for their consideration. A motion to approve the participation agreement was made by Keith Raulston and seconded by James Carmichael. The motion carried.

*Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Items listed on the consent agenda including budget amendments and meeting minutes, and adoption of policies were approved by a motion made by James Carmichael and seconded by Keith Raulston. The consent items unanimously were approved.

*Board Policy to table for next meeting

Dr. Cate Gentry presented a list of policies for public and Board review. Dr. Gentry asked that these policies be tabled until the next regular Board meeting. A motion to table was offered by Keith Raulston and second was made by Cheryl Jefferies. Motion to table was approved by the Board.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Gentry shared upcoming dates and events with the as part of her monthly report.

*Closed Session:

A motion was made by James Carmichael and seconded Cheryl Jefferies that the Board move into closed session 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.

Return to Open Session:

The school board returned to open session to approve the personnel recommendations.

The meeting was then unanimously adjourned.

Kevan W. Callicutt

Cate Gentry, Ed.D.

Board Chairman

Interim Superintendent