

Minutes
Transylvania County Board of Education
June 18, 2012

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

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The Transylvania County Board of Education met in regular session on June 18, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Morris Education Center. Vice Chair Tawny McCoy, Sue Fox, Shelia Norman and Cindy Petit were present. Also present were Dr. Jeff McDaris, Jenny Hunter, Dr. David Sutton, Alan Justice, Deputy Wesley Anders, and Jeremiah Reed, *Transylvania Times*. Mrs. Fox led a moment of silent prayer and Mrs. Petit led the Pledge of Allegiance. Vice Chair McCoy welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. She reported that Chairman Whitmire was away on military duty.

1. **Approval of Agenda**
ON A MOTION BY MRS. FOX, SECONDED BY MRS. NORMAN, the meeting agenda for June 18, 2012 was approved as presented.
2. **Public Comment**
There was no public comment.

3. Good News Report

Dr. McDaris reported that the Transylvania County Schools Technology Department had recently submitted a letter of inquiry to the Golden Leaf Foundation requesting permission to complete a grant application for expansion of technology in the schools. The Foundation has responded to the LOI and invited TCS to complete a full application for funding consideration. The deadline for submission is June 21, 2012.

4. Former Students in the Military

The Board reviewed the list of former students from Brevard High School, Rosman High School, and Davidson River School who are currently serving or have previously served in the U.S. Military. There were no new names. Additional names will be included as they are received.

5. Consent Agenda

ON A MOTION BY MRS. NORMAN, SECONDED BY MRS. FOX, the minutes from the June 4, 2012 meeting and the personnel report for June 18, 2012 (attached) were unanimously approved as presented.

6. Policy

The policies listed below were recommended for action. Dr. David Sutton reported there were no changes to the policies since the first read on June 4. There were no questions from the Board, and ON A MOTION BY MRS. FOX, SECONDED BY MRS. NORMAN, all of the policies were respectively approved or rescinded as indicated below:

| Code | Name | Status | Action |
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| JECA | Private/Home Schools - Enrollment | revised | approved |
| JECA-R | Private/Home Schools - Enrollment | revised | approved |
| JECA-E1 | Private/Home Schools - Enrollment | revised | approved |
| IIAB | Copyright Compliance | revised | approved |
| IIAC | Selection and Adoption of Media and Technology Resources | revised | approved |
| IIAC-R | Selection and Adoption of Media and Technology Resources | revised (title only) | approved |
| IIAC-E | Selection and Adoption of Media and Technology Resources | revised (title only) | approved |
| IIAD | Use of Equipment, Materials, and Supplies | new | approved |
| IIBF | Web Page Development | new | approved |
| IIBG | Technology Acceptable Use | revised | approved |
| IIBG-R | Telecommunications - Acceptable Use | rescind | rescinded |
| IIBG-E | Telecommunications - Acceptable Use | rescind | rescinded |

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| IIBGA | Network Security | revised | approved |
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7. Safe and Healthy Schools Update

Alan Justice gave an update on safe/healthy schools:

- During the 2011-2012 year, TCS school resource officers made over 1700 official student contacts. In addition, they conducted more than 200 home visits and taught over 100 classes. Mr. Justice commended the SROs for their good work and stated that he looks forward to continuing this very beneficial program.
- Transylvania County Schools had 37 reportable offenses to law enforcement during 2011-2012. Most of those were for possession of weapons (typically pocketknives) or drugs. He attributed the low number of reportable incidents to the new student code of conduct, which gives principals and administrators more leeway in dealing with student behavior issues.
- There were a total of 200 short-term suspensions this year, which equates to approximately 6% for the system. Most of the suspensions occurred at the middle school level, and principals referred many of those students to the C-STOP program, where they could receive instruction during their suspension periods.
- Three-hundred twenty-five students were randomly drug tested this year. Out of that 325, only 14 tested positive for illegal substances. All of the 14 were high school students and each positive result was for marijuana. Mr. Justice stated that he is pleased with the current drug testing policy, and will review the policy this year to see if updates are needed. Mrs. McCoy observed that there has been much focus lately on prescription drug abuse by teens, which appears to be occurring outside of school hours and at places other than school. Dr. McDaris stated that prescription drug abuse is not so much a student problem as it is a community problem. Statistics show that a large number of prescription drug abusers are adults. Mr. Justice agreed, and noted that he is working with a group from the Transylvania Regional Hospital to tackle this issue county-wide.
- Mr. Justice commended the School Health Advisory Council for their leadership throughout the year. He reported that the SHAC helped update the bloodborne pathogens policy, implemented the FitnessGram program, and supported school nurses and the Health Department in providing student vision screenings, "tooth bus" dental screenings, and free FluMist vaccinations. Mr. Justice added that he could not say enough good things about the outstanding work of our school nurses.
- School administrators are continuing to work on strategies to prevent bullying. Mr. Justice reported that our principals and assistant principals do a tremendous job in dealing with student discipline every day. He feels that students and staff are very safe in our schools.

The Board commended Mr. Justice for his leadership.

[Mrs. Petit excused herself from the meeting at 6:45 p.m. in order to be at the Board of Commissioners' budget hearing being held at 7:00 p.m. at the Transylvania County Library.]

8. LEA Data Profile of Students with Disabilities

Dr. McDaris reported that the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) requires the Department of Public Instruction to monitor LEAs on a regular basis to ensure compliance with state and federal laws and regulations that govern the provision of special education services to appropriately identified children. The Board reviewed a summary of the most recent LEA Data Profile for Transylvania County Schools. The report showed good results. Dr. McDaris noted that the numbers generated by DPI do not always match the TCS numbers due to differences in data gathering methods. He commended the hard work and dedication of the TCS special education teachers and staff.

9. FY13 Interim Budget Resolution

Dr. McDaris presented the annual interim budget resolution, which would allow the school system to pay salaries and normal operating expenses after June 30 until the adoption of the final budget resolution for the new fiscal year beginning on July 1. ON A MOTION BY MRS. FOX, SECONDED BY MRS. NORMAN, the interim budget resolution for the 2012-2013 year was unanimously approved (see attached).

10. FY13 Budget Update

Dr. McDaris gave an update on the proposed budgets from the Senate and House. The two groups are negotiating, and the final outcome should be decided soon. Dr. McDaris noted that the House proposal is more favorable to public schools.

11. Important Dates

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| June 25-29 | NCSBA Special Issue Seminars/Policy Conference, Carolina Beach |
| July 4 | Holiday |
| July 16 | REGULAR MEETING, 6:30 p.m., MEC |
| July 16-17 | NCSBA "School Board 101," Raleigh |
| July 23-26 | NSBA Southern Region Conference, Biloxi, MS |
| Aug. 1-2 | TCS Administrators' Retreat, Rogow Room |
| Aug. 6 | Resume regular 5-day schedule |
| Aug. 6-7 | New Teacher Orientation, Rogow Room |
| Aug. 7 | NCSBA Webinar, "Fair Labor Standards," 1-2 p.m. |
| Aug. 8-10 | Teacher Workdays |
| Aug. 10 | Elementary "Meet the Teacher" Night, 4:00 p.m., BES, PFES, RES, TCHES |
| Aug. 13 | First Day for Students |
| Aug. 14 | NCSBA Webinar, "Campaign & Political Speech on School Grounds" |
| Aug. 20 | REGULAR MEETING, 6:30 p.m., MEC |
| Aug. 21 | NCSBA Webinar, "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act," 1-2 p.m. |
| Aug. 23 | NCSBA Webinar, "Basic Sexual Harassment Law for School Employees" |
| Sept. 3 | Holiday |
| Sept. 12 | Early Dismissal |
| Sept. 17 | REGULAR MEETING, 6:30 p.m., Rogow Room |
| Sept. 27 | NCSBA District 8 Meeting, 3:30 p.m., Polk County |
| Oct. 2 | NCSBA Webinar, "Cyberlaw: Bad Behavior Online," 1-2 p.m. |
| Oct. 15 | Teacher Workday |
| Oct. 15 | REGULAR MEETING, 6:30 p.m., MEC |
| Oct. 17-19 | NCSBA Annual Law Conference, Asheville |

12. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

13. Other Items

Mrs. Norman asked about the status of Adequate Yearly Progress reporting. Dr. McDaris reported that the state will be doing away with AYP and replacing it with a different system that will better complement ABCs reporting. It is not known when the new system will be ready.

Dr. McDaris gave an update on the status of the North Carolina Virtual Academy. It appears that the virtual charter school has revised its projected enrollment number downward since learning that it would receive no support from the Department of Public Instruction or be included under NCSBA liability insurance.

Dr. McDaris reported that all of the proposed school calendar provisions have been removed from the state budget drafts for now. Further discussion on this issue is expected. The Senate is considering giving each LEA a proportionate lump sum of its discretionary funding that could be used for merit pay, across the board pay raises, teacher salaries, etc. School officials say this could create bidding wars for applicants depending on how each school district chooses to apply the money.

There was no further business, and ON A MOTION BY MRS. NORMAN, SECONDED BY MRS. FOX, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Secretary

**PERSONNEL REPORT
June 18, 2012**

- I. ACCEPT THE REPORT OF RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS ACCEPTED/INITIATED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FROM/FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Licensed Personnel

Megan Silvey, Assistant Principal, RMS & RHS, effective July 12, 2012

Classified Personnel

Katarzyna Fuiks, Teacher Assistant, BES, effective June 11, 2012

Mark Pace, Custodian, RES, effective June 7, 2012

Debbie Siniard, Office Support, BES, effective June 5, 2012

- II. APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Licensed Personnel

Cathy Childress, Director of Federal Programs (60%), TCS, effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013

Megan Ferguson, Teacher, TCH (50%) and TBD (50%), effective August 8, 2012

Classified Personnel

None

- III. ACCEPT THE REPORT OF TRANSFER OF ASSIGNMENT MADE BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Licensed Personnel

Jessica Buhrman, from Teacher, BHS (50%) and DRS (50%), to Teacher, BHS (100%), effective August 8, 2012

Tonya James, from Teacher Assistant, BHS, to Teacher, BHS, effective August 8, 2012

Amber Scott, from School Psychologist (60%), TCS, to School Psychologist (100%), TCS, effective August 8, 2012 through June 30, 2013

Alice Wellborn, from School Psychologist (100%), TCS, to School Psychologist (60%) and Placement Specialist (40%), TCS, effective August 8, 2012 through June 30, 2013

Classified Personnel

None

- IV. APPROVE THE LEAVES OF ABSENCE RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Licensed Personnel

None

Classified Personnel

None

- V. APPROVE THE SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION FOR THE FOLLOWING SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYEES:

Substitute Teachers
None

Substitute Child Nutrition Workers
Esther Kang

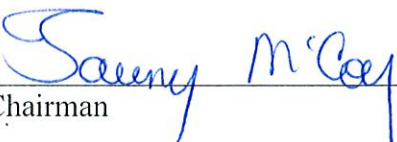
TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

INTERIM BUDGET RESOLUTION

2012-2013

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, that interim appropriations be made available for the purpose of paying salaries and the usual and customary expenses of the Transylvania County Schools for the period beginning July 1, 2012, until adoption of the 2012-2013 Budget Resolution. Interim appropriations so made and expended shall be charged to the proper appropriations in the Budget Resolution.

Passed by majority vote of the Transylvania County Board of Education on the 18th day of June 2012.


Chairman


Secretary