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The Toombs County Board of Education met for its regular meeting on Thursday, January 11, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. Clint Williams, Chairman, Mr. Russ Benton, Vice-Chairman, Mr. Mitch Bellflower, Mrs. Toni Wilkes, Mr. Trent Akins, Mr. Jonathan Holland, Mr. Michael Grimes, and Superintendent Richard Smith.

Visitors in attendance were: Melissa Batton, Miranda Kight, Tonya Sharpe, Juli Alligood, Barry Waller, Tonawanda Irie, Jennifer Davis, Stacy Reese, Darel Corley, Tabatha Nobles, and Shannon Chambers.

The Invocation was given by Mr. Williams and was followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

On a motion by Mr. Akins, and seconded by Mr. Bellflower, the board approved the agenda for the meeting.  

Unanimously Approved

On a motion by Mrs. Wilkes and seconded by Mr. Grimes, the board approved the consent agenda for the meeting that included the minutes from the regular December 14, 2017 meeting as amended. Mr. Holland requested his statement to include the detailed report of the vendor, Amazon, in the monthly financial report be added to the minutes of the December meeting.

Unanimously Approved

During the Superintendent’s Report, it was announced that Lyons Upper Elementary and Toombs Central Elementary have been recognized by the Governor’s Office of Student Achievement as “Beating the Odds” schools. This recognizes schools who’s student achievement is better than what can be expected based on their demographic make-up. All schools in Toombs County were recognized for meeting their FY2017 Strategic Waiver School System target goal. Friday night, January 12th, The TCHS Fellowship of Christian Athletes will sponsor a youth rally in the TCHS Auditorium featuring former MLB player Tony Lowdon. The GSBA Summer Conference will be held on June 8 and 9, 2018, in Savannah.

The board was presented with the November Financial Reports, including the December SPLOST and Current Account Balance Reports. SPLOST was up 2% from last December. Further, the board was presented with account balances as of January 2018; they were presented with the general fund budget standing, the monthly cash flow report, and the general ledger which included the detail report for the vendor, Amazon.

On a motion by Mr. Bellflower and a second by Mrs. Wilkes, the board approved the 2018 Board Meeting Dates calendar.

Unanimously Approved

On a motion by Mr. Grimes, seconded by Mrs. Wilkes, the board approved the FY2019 Employment Plan.

Unanimously Approved

On a motion by Mr. Grimes and a second by Mr. Akins, the board approved the following recommendations: Resignation Notice: Janet Poole, LUES.

Unanimously Approved

Mr. Smith shared that the vacant TCHS principal position would be reposted and shared with system employees on Friday, January 12, 2018. Applications will be taken through February 2, 2018.
Applications will be reviewed, potential candidates will be interviewed, and a recommendation would be presented as early as the March board meeting.

Mr. Holland asked the status of the teacher committee. Mr. Smith stated the next meeting of the Superintendent’s Advisory Committee is on January 29th. No changes in the committee have been made at this time.

On a motion by Mr. Bellflower, seconded by Mr. Holland, the board voted to adjourn the meeting.

Unanimously Approved

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