Toombs County School System Board Minutes
December 12, 2019

The Toombs County Board of Education met for its regular meeting on Thursday, December 12, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. Russ Benton, Vice-Chairman, Mr. Trent Akins, Mr. Mitch Bellflower, Mrs. Toni Wilkes, Mr. Jonathan Holland, and Mr. Michael Grimes. Mr. Clint Williams was not present.

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

On a motion by Mrs. Wilkes and seconded by Mr. Grimes, the board approved the agenda for the meeting.

Unanimously Approved

On a motion by Mr. Holland and seconded by Mr. Bellflower, the board approved the consent agenda for the meeting which included:

A. Approve Minutes of the November 14, 2019 Board of Education Meeting
B. Approve SECCA Assurances for the Toombs County School System
C. Approve System Strategic Plan
   i. Mission, Vision, Belief Statements
   ii. Strategy Map

Unanimously Approved

During the Superintendent’s Report, Mr. Waller provided information on the following:

A. Army Corp of Engineers Approval Letter- Upon request, Toombs County Schools were provided the rights to remove two beaver dams and mow/mulch vegetation along the perimeter of the pond directly in front of Toombs County High School. The project number assigned for the permission of these activities is SAS-2009-01244. No DA permit is required for the proposed project under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

B. Spotlight of Student Achievement- Mrs. Tonawanda Irie, Principal of Toombs Central Elementary School, presented the Toombs Central Children’s Chorus Members. Under the direction of Mrs. Rachel Davis, the chorus members performed several seasonal melodies.
C. Mr. Waller recognized the employees who had demonstrated exceptional service and dedication to students and the Toombs County School System. The *Extra Mile Award* was presented to Maria Collins of Lyons Primary School. The *WOW Award* was presented to Emma Rogers of Lyons Primary School. Mr. Waller thanked his colleagues for their exceptional service to Toombs County Schools!

D. Mrs. Woodruff, SPED Director, presented the *Debra Brantley Award* to Mrs. Elaine Allen, TCMS SPED Teacher. Mrs. Woodruff thanked Mrs. Allen for her exceptional service and dedication to her students and the teaching profession.

Mr. Waller presented the board with the monthly financial reports which included the:

- November SPLOST Report
- General Fund Budget Report
- General Fund Monthly Cash Flow Report
- October Check Register for Fund 100, General Operations
- Ameris Account Balance

No action was required.

On a motion by Mr. Bellflower and seconded by Mr. Akins, the board voted to go into executive session to discuss or deliberate, upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee; (OCGA §50-14-3 (6)).

Trent Akins-Yes
Russ Benton- Yes
Mitch Bellflower-Yes
Jonathan Holland-Yes
Toni Wilkes-Yes
Michael Grimes-Yes

On a motion by Mr. Akins and seconded by Mr. Grimes, the board voted to come out of executive session.

Trent Akins-Yes
Russ Benton- Yes
Mitch Bellflower-Yes
Jonathan Holland-Yes
Toni Wilkes-Yes
Michael Grimes-Yes
On a motion by Mr. Grimes and seconded by Mrs. Wilkes, the board approved the following personnel recommendations:

**Classified “At Will” Recommendations:**
Herbert Drew/Bus Driver/Transportation

**Classified “At Will” Resignations:**
Elaine Wright/Retirement/Transportation

**Long Term Substitute**
Gayle Corley/PreK Teacher/TCES

Unanimously Approved

Mr. Waller provided information regarding the following items:

1. Fine Arts Night at TCHS will be held on December 17, 2019.
   a. TCHS Drama Club will perform their Christmas Play at 5:30 p.m.
   b. TC Band Concert & Toombs County Schools’ Children’s Choir will Perform at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Waller encouraged all to come out and support Toombs County Schools’ Fine Arts’ Night!

No Old Business was presented.

No New Business was presented.

On a motion by Mrs. Wilkes and seconded by Mr. Akins, the board voted to adjourn the meeting.

Unanimously Approved