

**OFFICIAL
MINUTES OF THE BLOUNT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Blount County Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the John P. Davis, Jr. boardroom at the central office.

Sam Wood, a 12th grade student at William Blount High School, opened the meeting with a student led prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Madeleine Cantrell, 11th grade student at Heritage High School, Meredith Cantrell, 8th grade student at Heritage Middle School, and Evan Cantrell, 5th grade student at Porter Elementary School

Roll Call of the Board is as follows:

- Chris Cantrell Present
- Jim Compton Present
- Charlie Finley Present
- Trevis Gardner Present
- Fred Goins Present
- Scott Helton Present
- Debbie Sudhoff Absent

The clerk declared a quorum and Chairman Gardner called the meeting to order.

Mr. Gardner asked if the rules could be suspended and agenda items one (1) and two (2) be moved to the first of the agenda.

Motion by Mr. Cantrell to suspend the rules and move agenda items 1 & 2 to the first of the agenda

Seconded by Mr. Finley

Vote 6/0 Passed

1. Discussion and possible action regarding employee payroll schedule adopted and designated by the Blount County Governments' Director of Finance and Budgets, to be effective July 1, 2015 (bi-weekly and in arrears)

Troy Logan

2. Discussion and possible action regarding Board Policy 5.1101-Payroll Procedures

Troy Logan

Motion to approve agenda items 1 and 2 with Policy 5.1101 being approved on first reading by Mr. Finley

Seconded by Mr. Cantrell

Roll Call Vote:

- Mr. Compton No
- Mr. Finley Yes
- Mr. Gardner Yes
- Mr. Goins Yes
- Mr. Helton No
- Mr. Cantrell Yes

Vote: 4/2 Passed

Mr. Finley had to leave at this time.

There were no **Comments from the Community on Agenda Items**

RECOGNITIONS, REPORTS and PRESENTATIONS

- Madison Duffield-4th grade Montvale Elementary-Touching Lives Thru Service
- Alumni of the Year
- Classified Employee of the Month-Terri Roberts-Fairview Elementary School
- Elementary (PK-5th) Curriculum Report
- Secondary (6th-12th) Curriculum Report

John Webb
Chris Cantrell
David Murrell
John Dalton
Jane Morton

SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS

Art work on display in the art gallery and showcase by students from Montvale and Lanier Elementary Schools

REPORTS

DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS

Mr. Britt stated School Board Appreciation Week was January 26-30, and he would like to publically and personally thank each Board Member for their service to the students of Blount County. Mr. Britt also presented a plaque to outgoing Board Member, Chris Cantrell and thanked him for his 10+ years of service (2004-2015).

Mr. Cantrell stated Mr. Britt had been an outstanding teacher and one of the best he had ever had.

PERSONNEL

The Personnel Report will stand as submitted

FACILITIES MAINTENANCE REPORT

Stall door repairs progressing and nearing completion. Currently waiting on correct hardware for three new doors Bid documents will be completed and bid process proceed on Montvale and Middlesettlements roofs in February

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Gardner stated he had appointed an AD-HOC Committee for acquiring professional services

Motion to approve the consent agenda and agenda by Mr. Compton

Seconded by Mr. Helton

Vote: 6/0 Passed

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Agenda for February 5, 2015, Regular Meeting
2. Approval of Minutes for January 8, 2015, Regular Meeting
3. Approval of **TRIPS**
 - Heritage High School Varsity Baseball Team-Fort Myers, FL-March 16-20, 2015

- William Blount High School 9th-12thTrack and Field Team-Disney Track and Field Open-Lake Buena Vista, FL-March 17-21, 2015
- William Blount High School HOSA Club-State HOSA Competition-Nashville, TN-March 19-21, 2015
- Heritage High School 7th-12th Band students-Kings Island, Ohio-May 1-3, 2015
- Heritage High School Indoor Color Guard students-Indoor Color Guard Competition-Pensacola, FL-March 13-17, 2015
- Heritage High School FFA students-State FFA Convention-Gatlinburg, TN-March 29-April 1, 2015
- Heritage High School FFA students-State FFA Veterinary Science CDE-University of TN Martin-May 8-9, 2015
- William Blount High School Travelers' Club-Costa Rica-June 1-10, 2016
- Rockford Elementary 5th grade students-Tremont-October 26-30, 2015

4. Approval of a request from Heritage High School to host an in-school baseball game with William Blount High School on April 15, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.
5. Approval of a request from Katrina Garvitte, principal at Carpenters Elementary School, to hold the Camp Invention summer enrichment program **Katrina Gravitte**

AGENDA:

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2. Discussion and possible action regarding Board Policy 5.1101-Payroll Procedures **Troy Logan**

Moved and voted on at first of the agenda

3. Discussion and possible action regarding Budget Transfers **Troy Logan**
- (a) Fund 141-72310 (GPSF)-\$13,000
- (b) Fund 141-72810 (GPSF)-\$12,000

Motion to approve a & b by Mr. Compton

Seconded by Mr. Goins

Vote: 5/0

Passed

COMMENTS FROM THE BLOUNT COUNTY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION:

Rebecca Dickenson, BCEA president, addressed the Board

COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:

Foster Harris, WBHS student representative, stated three students would be participating in the All-State East in band. He also stated rehearsals had begun on the play, The Wizard of Oz.

There were no **Committee Reports**.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Danny Galyon, principal at ELOC, spoke of Mr. Cantrell's dedication and service to the children of Blount County.

He stated behind every decision Mr. Cantrell had made, there 'had been a child' standing behind that decision. He thanked Mr. Cantrell for his 10+ years of service to Blount County Schools.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Gardner announced 8th grade career day would be held on Friday, March 6th at William Blount High School. Mr. Cantrell stated he had been asked if it would be possible for students to pay for their lunches with a debit card and if someone could check into this.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Cantrell

Seconded by Mr. Compton

Meeting adjourned

Trevis Gardner, Chairman

Rob Britt, Secretary