Alexander Local Board of Education Regular Meeting

Alexander Library 5:30 P.M. December 13, 2023

The Alexander Local Board of Education held a Regular Board Meeting on December 13, 2023, at the Alexander Library. Members present at roll call were: Mr. Aaron Ramsey, Mr. Josh Collins, Mrs. Lucy Juedes, Mr. Regan, and Mr. Jay Barnes.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Regan.

23-12-01: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Collins to adopt the agenda with addendum.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; Mrs. Juedes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

Reports and Comments

A. Superintendent's Report
   1. STEM Grants – we received two $5,000 grants for science department.
   2. Thanks Mrs. Juedes for service on the board. **Mrs. Juedes** – It has been an honor to serve on our school board. Alexander is a wonderful school.

B. Public Participation for Agenda Items – None

Consent Agenda

23-12-02: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mrs. Juedes to approve the consent agenda items as follows:

A. Approval of the minutes from the November 8, 2023 board meetings
B. Financial Reports
   1. Approval of the financial statement for the months ending November 30, 2023
   2. Approval of the following transfers:
      $415,703.54 from General Fund 001 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9124
      $32,322.84 from Title I 572-9123 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9124
      $4,710.98 from Title II-A 590-9123 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9124
      $2,637.51 from Title IV-A 584-9523 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9124
      $24,057.41 from IDEA-B 516-9123 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9124
      $772.32 from ECSE 587-9123 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9124
      $108,507.50 from General Fund 001 to HB264 Energy Project 002-9110
   3. Approve the following donations:
      $338.00 from the National Honor Society to the Alexander Inclusive Playground
C. Personnel/Employment Recommendation
   1. Approve the substitute teacher and aide lists as recommended by the Athens-Meigs ESC superintendent:
      Teachers: Heather Hively and Bethany Wallace
      Paraprofessional: Donna Hawk
   2. Employ the following supplementals for the 2023-24 school year, pending their meeting all state and local requirements:
      Non-Certificated
      James Wallace, Wrestling Volunteer
      Andrew Zuchowski, Asst. Track

Certificated
Randi Brooks, Track Volunteer
Mark Cline, Jr, High Track
Austin Mash, AM/PM Duty

3. Accept the following 2023-24 school year supplemental resignations:
   Sheila Bateman, Jr. High Track
   Olivia Gilliand, Wrestling Volunteer
4. Accept the resignation of Erik Arnett, effective February 1, 2024

D. Policy Readings

1. Approve the following policies for inclusion into (or exclusion) to the Policy and Procedures Manual, as recommended by OSBA:

BBFA, Board Member Conflict of Interest
DJB, Petty Cash Accounts
DM, Deposit of Public Funds (Cash Collection Points)
EBCD, Emergency Closings
EF/EFB, Food Services Management/Free and Reduced-Price Food Services
GBCC, Staff Dress and Grooming
GBG, Staff Participation in Political Activities
GBI, Staff Gifts and Solicitations
GCB-1, Professional Staff Contract and Compensation Plans (Teachers)
GCE, Part-Time and Substitute Professional Staff Employment
GCPD, Suspension and Termination of Professional Staff Members
IGBEA, Reading Skills Assessments and Intervention (Third Grade Reading Guarantee)
IGBEA-R, Reading Skills Assessments and Intervention (Third Grade Reading Guarantee)
IGCF, Home Education
IGCF-R, Home Instruction (rescind)
IGD, Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities
IGDJ, Interscholastic Athletics
IGDK, Interscholastic Extracurricular Eligibility
IIA, Instructional Materials
IKE, Promotion and Retention of Students
IL, Testing Programs
JEA, Compulsory Attendance Ages
JEC, School Admission
JECE, Student Withdrawal from School (Loss of Driving Privileges)
JEDA, Truancy
JED-R, Student Absences and Excuses
JEG, Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance
JHCD (Version 1), Administering Medicines to Students (Version 1)

JN, Student Fees, Fine and Charges
KI, Public Solicitation in School
KJA (Version 1), Distribution of Materials in the Schools

(For Consent Agenda A-D)
Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; Mrs. Juedes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

Items for Board Approval

A. 23-12-03: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mrs. Juedes that the Board of Education approve the enclosed resolution to proceed with the proposition of a renewal income tax.

Discussion: **Mr. Regan** – To clarify this is the final stage to make sure this goes on the ballot in March. This is a renewal the exact same 1% earned income tax that will take effective once the current levy that is on now ends in 2024. This would start in 2025 and there would be no lack in that funding or revenue stream. **Mr. Collins** – Now is not the time, but in January there needs to be serious discussion on the ramifications if it does not pass, because I think we need to be open with it. If we are unable to pass in March, we need to be prepared for next school year and have concepts in mind so that we can be open to folks and make it clear to what is coming. Furthermore, if it doesn't pass in March we need to be prepared to have stronger discussions because we know we will be forfeiting a year if we go two failures. **Mr. Regan** – I absolutely agree. I think it's up to the community whether or not they want to have the services we currently provide. A 10% reduction in your budget is going to make you feel it one way or the other. We will minimize as much as we can to the students, but there is no way to cut 10% of the budget and not have every student affected by it. Its really up to the community, we can make the cuts and if need to be we will. Its just really up to the community if they are going to support it.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; Mrs. Juedes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

Business Initiated by Board Members

A. 23-12-04: Mr. Barnes moved, seconded by Mrs, Juedes for Mr, Regan to be President Pro Tempore for the January Organizational Meeting.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; Mrs. Juedes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Regan, abstain. Motion carried.

Board Reports - None
Public Participation - None

The Organizational Meeting will be held in the Alexander Media Center on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 6:30pm, followed immediately by the Regular Meeting.

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23-12-05: Executive Session - Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Collins to go into executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; Mrs. Juedes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

TIME IN: 5:39 TIME OUT: 6:55

23-10-06: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mrs. Juedes that this meeting be adjourned.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; Mrs. Juedes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

Time: 6:56 P.M.

Board President

Treasurer