Alexander Local Board of Education Regular Meeting

Alexander Library 7:00 P.M. October 9, 2024

The Alexander Local Board of Education held a Regular Board Meeting on October 9, 2024, at the Alexander Library. Members present at roll call were: Mr. Aaron Ramsey, Mr. Josh Collins, Mr. Stephen Crook, Mr. Blake Regan, and Mr. Jay Barnes.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Barnes.

24-10-01: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Crook to adopt the agenda.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

Reports and Comments

A. Athletic scoreboard – ARC – Boosters are going to add two scoreboards to the ARC.
B. Pond – sent you information on the recommendations from Soil & Water and Athens Co. or repair or replace the pond, which is at least 50 years old. The primary use of the pond is irrigation for our sports fields. **Mr. Regan**, I know there are some people that use it recreationally. Do we have any numbers on how many students use it? **Mr. Barnes**, Based on our school historians the pond was here in the 60's when they were playing football. **Mr. Crook**, Is it still used by the classrooms? There are some that use it.
C. Fire System board failure and replacement – Secondary board that fail in the gym, it has all been replaced
D. Senate Bill 29 – Says we have to send families information about our electronics and our data collection of our systems and devices. Parents want to know what is on their kids device, what we are monitoring and how.
E. Additional 3 hour position – due to switching to free and reduced breakfast and lunch for all and the reduction of kitchen staff last year, we are now severing more students and are now in need of additional help out.
F. Megan Karr, Director of Curriculum, 2023-24 District Report Card – Overall rating 4.5 out of 5 stars. We maintained or went up in every category. **Mr. Barnes**, on behalf of the board – Mr. Hampton congratulations to you and your staff and good work. **Mr. Hampton**, I work with a wonderful group of people and proud of the work we are doing.

Public Participation on Agenda Items –None

TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS

24-010-02: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Regan that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the September 11, 2024 special and regular board meeting.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-03: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Collins that the Board of Education approve the financial statement for the months ending September 30, 2024.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-04: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education approve the following transfers:

$510,881.91 from General Fund 001 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9125

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Personnel/Employment Recommendation

24-10-05: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education approve the following substitute paraprofessionals and teachers as recommended by the Athens-Meigs ESC superintendent:

Teachers

Tyler Bell	Deborah Flowers	Emma Graham
Mariah Heflin	Zachary Herman	Andrew Hutchinson
Carly Johnson	Sean Phillips	Sara Severns
Lucy Strange	Lisa Tanner	Francis Tullius
Brianna Wollett		

Paraprofessionals

Stacy Bigony	Sara Bush	Amber McKenzie
Amanda McLean	Lucy Strange	Brittany Taylor

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, abstain; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-06: Mr. Crook moved, seconded by Mr. Regan that the Board of Education employ the following, pending their meeting all state and local requirement:

Amelia Arnold, substitute Food Service
Chris Miller, Cook I, effective September 10, 2024

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-07: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Collins that the Board of Education approve the classification change of Jennifer Mitchell from Paraprofessional to Cook I, effective October 7, 2024.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-08: Mr. Crook moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education employ the following supplementals for the 2024-25 school year, pending their meeting all state and local requirements and the constitution of a complete team for the season:

Certificated
Jacob Carpenter, Co-Head Jr. High E Sports
Morgan Hafner, Head HS E Sports
Jansen Jeffers, Asst. HS E Sports & Co-Head Jr. High E Sports

Non-Certificated
Matt Harris, Head Varsity Baseball

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-09: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education grant continuing contracts to the following, per their requests:

Jessica Buckley Caleb Congrove Justin Giddy Lisa Matheny
Margot Tyler Jessica Woods

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-10: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Crook that the Board of Education approve a leave of absence for Samantha Jordan, effective November 7, 2024 through the end of the 2024-25 school year.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-11: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education approve the enclosed retirement resignation from Laura Bean, effective December 31, 2024.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-12: Mr. Crook moved, seconded by Mr. Collins that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Pam Andrews, effective September 23, 2024.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-13: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Justin Roush 2024-25 Head Track coach.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

24-10-14: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education grant approval for students to participate in the trip to the National FFA Convention, October 23-25, 2024 in Indianapolis, IN.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

First Reading of the following policy for inclusion into the Policy and Procedures Manual, as recommended by OSBA:

ACC, Political Commitments
BDDG, Minutes
DJC, Bidding Requirements
DM, Deposit of Public Funds (Cash Collection Points)
EBBA, First Aid
EBCE, Protection for Reporting Safety & Fraud Violations (Whistleblowers)
EDE, Computer/Online Services (Acceptable Use & Internet Safety)
GCD, Professional Staff Hiring
GDC/GDCA/GDD, Support Staff Recruiting/Posting of Vacancies/Hiring
IC/ICA, School Year/School Calendar
IGAE, Health Education
IGAH/IGAI, Family Life Education/Sex Education
IGD, Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities
IGDJ, Interscholastic Athletics
JED, Student Absences and Excuses
JEDA, Truancy
JEDC, Religious Expression Day
JHG, Reporting Child Abuse & Mandatory Training

Mr. Regan, question on policy of religious vacation days. Is the three days a standard or recommendation by OSBA? **Mr. Hampton**, yes that is from OSBA.

Business Initiated by Board Members - None
Board Reports - None
Public Participation - None

24-10-15: Executive Session - Mr. Barnes moved, seconded by Mr. Regan to go into executive session to discuss the employment and compensation of an employee.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

TIME IN: 7:53 TIME OUT: 8:15

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 13, 2024.

24-10-16: Mr. Barnes moved, seconded by Mr. Regan that this meeting be adjourned.

Vote: Mr. Regan, yes; Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; and Mr. Ramsey, yes. Motion carried.

Time: 8:15 P.M.

Board President

Treasurer