

**Morgan County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
March 01, 2010 06:30PM
Central Office**

Attendance Taken at 6:23 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Terry Armes
Mrs. Louise Coleman
Wendy Collins
Randy Harlan
Mr. Glen Moore
Mr. Jim Rivers

1. Prayer

2. Pledge

3. "Good News"

Discussion:

Mr. Mitchell Heidel was selected for the regional Career and Technical Trailblazer Award for extraordinary leadership. Wanda Lane was selected as regional Supervisor of the Year. She will also receive consideration for the State level award.

4. Agenda

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Mr. Jim Rivers and a second by Randy Harlan to approve the Agenda as presented.

5. MCEA - Letter of Intent to Negotiate

6. Audience Participation

Discussion:

Ronnie LaRue presented the Board with a GED diploma he received from the military in 1966. He said the POST committee in Nashville would not recognize it as an official GED diploma. Mr. LaRue is requesting the Board of Education to acknowledge that the GED he acquired is legal and should be accepted.

Primary Motion Passed: Pending legal approval, the executive committee will work with Mr. Larue on this request. Motion by Randy Harlan and a second by Wendy Collins.

7. Consent Agenda

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Randy Harlan and a second by Mr. Glen Moore to approve the following consent agenda.

7.a. Approval of Minutes

7.b. Workshop, March 29, 6:30 p.m.@ Central Office

7.c. Regular Board Meeting, April 1, 6:30 p.m. Central Office

8. Budget Amendments (#68-74) (#75-78)

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Mr. Jim Rivers and a second by Randy Harlan to approve budget amendments as presented.

Mr. Terry Armes	Yes
Mrs. Louise Coleman	Yes
Wendy Collins	Yes
Randy Harlan	Yes
Mr. Glen Moore	Yes
Mr. Jim Rivers	Yes

**Morgan County Board of Education
General Purpose
February 11, 2010
Budget Amendment #68**

Debit:			
	71200-312	(Contracts with Priv. Agency)	\$74,103.26
	71200-599	(Other Charges)	\$33.01
	72220-725	(Sp. Ed. Equipment)	<u>\$47.09</u>
		Total:	\$74,183.36

Credit:			
	71200-116	(Teachers)	\$74,183.36

Explanation: Re-adjustment to balance out G.P. Budget.

**Morgan County Board of Education
General Purpose
February 11, 2010
Budget Amendment #69**

Debit:			
	71200-312	(Contracts with Priv. Agency)	\$13,425.36
Credit:			
	71200-399	(Other Contracted Serv.)	\$10,708.94
	71200-429	(Instructional Supplies)	\$2,716.42

Explanation: Transfer of money to necessary line items because of over expenditures in Other Contracted Services, and Instructional Supplies.

**Morgan County Board of Education
Carl Perkins
February 11, 2010
Budget Amendment #70**

Credit:			
	71300-399	(Other Contracted Serv.)	\$500.00
Debit:			
	71300-429	(Instructional Supplies)	\$500.00

Explanation:

More hours needed for my EIS employee to deal with problems in e-tiger with primary and service schools sharing of class rosters in addition to correcting data which was incorrectly transferred. We can use funds from this account because we have used less than 10% of available funds in this line item and at this point I feel it will not affect our estimated budgeted uses.

**Morgan County Board of Education
Title I
February 17, 2010
Budget Amendment #71**

Debit: 142-39000 (Fund Balance) \$40,737.00

Credit: 142-72210-499-011-650 (Other Charges) \$40,737.00

Explanation:

Transfer money from Fund Balance to Consolidated Admin.

**Morgan County Board of Education
IDEA Part B
February 17, 2010
Budget Amendment #72**

Debit: (Fund Balance) \$22,306.00

Credit: 47143 \$22,306.00

Explanation:

This revenue should have been received in June but wasn't received and posted till July.

**Morgan County Board of Education
IDEA Preschool
February 17, 2010
Budget Amendment #73**

Debit: (Fund Balance) \$1,123.00

Credit: Revenue 47145 \$1,123.00

Explanation:

This revenue should have been received in June but wasn't received and posted till July.

**Morgan County Board of Education
SRO
February 26, 2010
Budget Amendment #74**

Credit: (Increase)			
	141-72130-599-4001	(Other Charges)	\$22,800.00
Debit (Increase)			
	141-46590		\$22,800.00

Explanation: Funds received as a SRO grant of \$21,100 and a match of \$1,700.00.

**Morgan County Board of Education
G.P.
March 1, 2010
Budget Amendment #75**

Debit:			
	44520	(Insurance Recovery)	\$7,998.69
Credit:			
	72710-453	(Vehicle Parts)	\$7,998.69

Explanation: Insurance payment for bus accident.

**Morgan County Board of Education
G.P.
March 1, 2010
Budget Amendment #76**

Debit:			
	141-44530	(Sale of Equipment)	\$39.00
Credit:			
	141-72210-790	(Other Equipment)	\$39.00

Explanation: Additional revenue from sale of surplus equipment.

**Morgan County Board of Education
G.P.
March 1, 2010
Budget Amendment #77**

Debit:			
	141-44170	(Misc. Refunds)	\$34.02
Credit:			
	141-72710-412	(Diesel Fuel)	\$34.02

Explanation: Reimbursement for use of bus.

Morgan County Board of Education
G.P.
March 1, 2010
Budget Amendment #78

Debit: 141-44170 (Misc. Refunds) \$31.50

Credit: 72710-453 (Vehicle Parts) \$31.50

Explanation:
 Payment for fire extinguisher.

9. Discussion of Coalfield Roof - (Firestone, CM Hensley Roofing) - Joe Fielden, Cope & Associates- Board requested documentation that all bonding adhesives used were approved.

10. Update on Bids

10.a. Security cameras for MCCTC, Petros Joyner (Opening - Thursday, March 11, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.)

10.b. Septic system at Coalfield (Opening - Friday, March 5, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.)

11. Approval of Distance Learning/Green Technology Proposal (Perkins Reserve Grant - \$98,693)

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Mr. Jim Rivers and a second by Mr. Glen Moore to approve application process.

Mr. Terry Armes	Yes
Mrs. Louise Coleman	Yes
Wendy Collins	Yes
Randy Harlan	Yes
Mr. Glen Moore	Yes
Mr. Jim Rivers	Yes

12. Approval of Title IID ARRA E4TN Distance Learning Grant - \$20,000

Rationale:

\$10,000 funding to district for improvement of distance learning program.

\$10,000 in funds to pay for students to take course through the E4TN state-wide network.

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Mr. Jim Rivers and a second by Randy Harlan to approve E4TN Distance Learning Grant.

13. Update on drainage project at Oakdale School - Sample Contract

14. Policy Revisions

14.a. JCCC - Suspension/Expulsion (2nd reading)

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Randy Harlan and a second by Mr. Jim Rivers to approve Policy JCCC on 2nd reading.

SUSPENSION/EXPULSION/REMAND	Descriptor Code: JCCC	Issued Date: 10-02-2000
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DEFINITIONS:¹

Suspension: dismissed from attendance at school for any reason not more than ten (10) consecutive days. Multiple suspensions shall not run consecutively nor shall multiple suspensions be applied to avoid expulsion from school.

Expulsion: removal from attendance for more than ten (10) consecutive days or more than fifteen (15) days in a month of school attendance. Multiple suspensions that occur consecutively shall constitute expulsion.

Remand: assignment to an alternative school.

REASONS FOR SUSPENSION/EXPULSION:

Any principal or assistant principal (herein called principal) may suspend/expel any student from attendance at school or any school-related activity on or off campus (out-of-school suspension) or from attendance at a specific class or classes, or from riding a school bus, without suspending such student from attendance at school (in-school suspension), for good and sufficient reasons including, but not limited to:²

1. Willful and persistent violation of the rules of the school or truancy;
2. Immoral or disreputable conduct, including vulgar or profane language;
3. Violence or threatened violence against the person of any personnel attending or assigned to any school;
4. Willful or malicious damage to real or personal property of the school, or the property of any person attending or assigned to the school;
5. Inciting, advising or counseling of others to engage in any of the acts herein enumerated;
6. Possession of a pistol, gun or firearm on school property;³
7. Possession of a knife, etc., as defined in TCA 39-6-1701, on school property;
8. Assaulting a principal or teacher with vulgar, obscene or threatening language;
9. Unlawful use or possession of barbitol or legend drugs, as defined in TCA 53-10-101;³
10. Engaging in behavior which disrupts a class or school-sponsored activity;
11. Off-campus criminal behavior resulting in felony charges; when behavior poses a danger to persons or property or disrupts the education process;
12. Inadequate proof of immunization.⁶
13. Any other conduct prejudicial to good order or discipline in any school.

IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION:⁴

1. Students given an in-school suspension in excess of one (1) day from classes shall attend either special classes attended only by students guilty of misconduct or be placed in an isolated area appropriate for study, and
2. Personnel responsible for in-school suspension will see that each student is supervised at all times and has textbooks and classwork assignments from his/her regular teachers. Students given in-school suspension shall be required to complete academic assignments and shall receive credit for work completed.

PROCEDURES FOR IN-SCHOOL AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL SUSPENSION:⁵

Unless the student's continued presence in the school, class, or school-related activity presents an immediate danger to the student or other persons or property, no principal shall suspend/expel any student until that student has been given due process by advising them of the nature of his/her misconduct, questioned about it, and allowed to give an explanation;

Upon suspension/expulsion of any student (in-school suspension in excess of one (1) day), the principal shall make an immediate attempt to contact the parent or guardian to inform them of the suspension/expulsion. The student shall not be sent home before the end of the school day unless the parent or guardian has been contacted;

The principal shall notify the parent or guardian and the director of schools or designee in writing of the suspension/expulsion and the cause for it, the length of suspension/expulsion, and terms of readmission.

If at the time of the suspension the principal determines that an offense has been committed which, in the judgment of the principal would justify a suspension/expulsion for more than ten (10) days, he/she may suspend the student unconditionally for a specified period of time or upon such terms and conditions as are deemed reasonable.

The principal shall immediately give written or actual notice to the parent or guardian and the student of the right to appeal the decision to suspend/expel/remand for more than ten (10) days. All appeals must be filed, orally or in writing, within five (5) days after receipt of the notice and may be filed by the parent or guardian, the student or any person holding a teaching license who is employed by the school system if requested by the student.

If the suspension/expulsion occurs during the last ten (10) days of any term or semester, the student shall be permitted to take such final examinations or submit such required work as necessary to complete the course of instruction for that semester, subject to conditions prescribed by the principal.

Students under suspension from one (1) school in the school system cannot attend or enter another school in the system. (Ex. Career and Technical Center and high school)

Legal References:

1. TCA 49-6-3007(g)
2. TCA 49-2-203(a)(8);TCA 49-6-3401(a)
3. TCA 49-6-4216; TCA 39-17-1309; TCA 39-17-417
4. TCA 49-6-3401(b)(1)
5. TCA 49-6-3401(4)-(6); Goss v. Lopez, 419 U.S. 565 (Ohio, 1975); Individuals with Disabilities Act Amendments of 1997 § 615
6. TCA 49-6-5007

Cross References:

- Procedural Due Process 6.302
- Interference/Disruption of School Activities 6.306
- Bus Conduct 6.308
- Zero Tolerance Offenses 6.309
- Dress Codes 6.310
- Discipline Procedures 6.313
- Disciplinary Hearing Authority 6.317

14.b. Mental Health Policy (1st Reading)

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Randy Harlan and a second by Wendy Collins to approve Mental Health Policy on 1st reading.

15. Consideration of Classification and Compensation Study for Support Staff (Budget Amendment #79)

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Mr. Jim Rivers and a second by Wendy Collins to approve the Classification and Compensation Study for support staff.

Mr. Terry Armes	Yes
Mrs. Louise Coleman	Yes
Wendy Collins	Yes
Randy Harlan	Yes
Mr. Glen Moore	Yes
Mr. Jim Rivers	Yes

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Mr. Jim Rivers and a second by Wendy Collins to approve budget amendment #79 to cover cost of Classification and Compensation Study.

Mr. Terry Armes	Yes
Mrs. Louise Coleman	Yes
Wendy Collins	Yes
Randy Harlan	Yes
Mr. Glen Moore	Yes
Mr. Jim Rivers	Yes

**Morgan County Board of Education
General Purpose
March 1, 2010
Budget Amendment #79**

Debit:

46851 – State Revenue Sharing-TVA	\$35,299.00
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Credit:

141-72310-399 (Other Contracted Services)	\$21,000.00
141-72310-355 (Travel, Training-Board)	\$5,000.00
141-72130-322 (Evaluation: Testing)	\$5,000.00
141-72210-524 (In-Service/Staff Development)	\$4,299.00

Explanation: (Unanticipated revenue increase)

399: Classification and Compensation Study (\$16,000)
TSBA Services – Policy Revisions; eMeeting Service (\$5,000)
355: Travel – Board Training, registration, lodging etc. (\$5,000)
322: Increased cost of testing program (\$5,000)
524: In-Service/Staff Development – Leadership training (\$4,299)

16. Revised Job Descriptions for Supervisors (Connection to TILS Standards)

Discussion:

Present at future date

16.a. GCBI - Qualifications and Duties of the Federal Projects Coordinator

16.b. GCBP - Grant Writer

16.c. CGBB - Qualifications and Duties of Supervisor of Grants and Special Projects

16.d. CBBC - Duties of Attendance Supervisor (Supervisor of Student Services)

17. Appoint Board Member to County Planning Committee

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Mr. Jim Rivers and a second by Randy Harlan to appoint Terry Armes as member of the County Planning Committee.

18. Facility Needs - Maintenance and Transportation (Revised drawing)

Discussion:

Vocational School to draw up building plans as presented. Board suggested a contact be made with Industrial Board concerning previous land transaction.

19. Schedule Budget Workshop(s)

Discussion:

Special Budget workshop scheduled for March 9, 2010.

20. Director's Performance Contract Report/Announcements

20.a. Monthly Financial Report

20.b. Overview of CTE Report Card - Mitchell Heidel, CTE Director

- 20.c. TSBA Day on the Hill - February 23, 2010
- 20.d. March 12, 2010 - SCOPE Conference
- 20.e. TSBA Facilities Workshop - April 30th
- 20.f. Planning - A Joint Venture (May 23-24 - Pigeon Forge)
- 20.g. Update - Refinancing of Debt Service Obligations
- 20.h. Plan to Make-up Missed School Days

21. Adjourn

Primary Motion Passed: Motion by Randy Harlan and a second by Wendy Collins.

21.a. Workshop, March 29, 2010, 6:30 p.m. @ Central Office

21.b. Regular Board Meeting, April 1, 2010, 6:30 p.m. @ Central Office

Chairperson

Superintendent