

**Towns County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
August 9, 2010**

The Towns County Board of Education met in a regular board meeting on Monday, August 9, 2010 at the Towns County School Auditorium. Members present were Michael Anderson, Emily Phillips, Bob Gibby, Larry Kimsey and Donna Hedden. Michael Anderson called the meeting to order and Bob Gibby gave the invocation. Michael Anderson led the pledge of allegiance.

Donna Hedden made a motion, seconded by Bob Gibby, to **approve the agenda**. The motion carried.

The Board approved by acclamation the following consent agenda:

- School Activity FY10 Final Financial Reports
- Work Session Meeting Minutes – July 6, 2010
- Regular Board Meeting Minutes – July 12, 2010
- Called Board Meeting Minutes – July 22, 2010

Mrs. Jenny Stowers presented to the Board information about the 21st Century After School Program Evaluation. (see attached)

Mr. Darren Berrong presented to the Board the Energy Management Program savings to date. (see attached)

Superintendent Dr. Richard Behrens recommended the board **approve Ashley Hogsed for paraprofessional, effective August 3, 2010**. Larry Kimsey made a motion, seconded by Bob Gibby, to **approve the Superintendents recommendation**. The motion carried.

Superintendent Dr. Richard Behrens recommended the board **approve Kim Walls for substitute teacher**. Donna Hedden made a motion, seconded by Emily Phillips, to **approve the Superintendents recommendation**. The motion carried.

Emily Phillips made a motion, seconded by Bob Gibby, to **approve the CTAE Final Budget**. The motion carried. (see attached)

Emily Phillips made a motion, seconded by Bob Gibby, to **approve advertisement of the 2010 Tax Digest and 5 Year History of Levy**. The motion carried. (see attached)

Elementary School Principal, Mr. Don Dermody, reported to the board on the following:

- Smooth start to school, students seemed happy to be back
- 523 students attending today
- Intervention groups will start next week
- Mrs. Susan Poston gave a Kindergarten report on standards based report cards.

Middle School Principal, Mr. Darren Berrong, reported to the board on the following:

- Good start to school
- 279 students attending today
- Trial program having 2 students take the Math 1 course
- Mr. Ken Hamilton gave a Math program report entitled “Coach Connected”

High School Principal, Mr. Roy Perren, reported to the board on the following:

- Good start, with 337 students attending today and 2 more to attend tomorrow
- Held meeting with students to review rules on discipline, attendance and dress code
- Athletic programs will start up next week
- Mrs. Melissa McConnell reported to the board about the FBLA National Conference trip to Nashville, TN. Towns County High School had 9 students attend, and 4 of those were National Winners. The students thanked the board for allowing them to make the trip.

Superintendent, Dr. Richard Behrens thanked the maintenance and cleaning staff for all of their hard work during the summer. He also reported to the board on the following:

- Thanked Students from FBLA for great representation of Towns County
- Thanked Jenny Stowers for a great job on the 21st Century audit, and for being chosen as a “model” program.
- Thanked Darren Berrong for his dedication to the energy savings project
- Scott Hamilton reported to the board about parent pick up times and ridership numbers for the first few days of school.
- Safety renovation project on the High School Gym
- Miscellaneous

Bob Gibby made a motion, seconded by Donna Hedden, **to adjourn the meeting**. The motion carried.

Michael Anderson, Chairman

Dr. Richard Behrens, Superintendent