

**Towns County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
January 9, 2017**

The Towns County Board of Education met in a regular board meeting on Monday, January 9, 2017 at the Towns County School Auditorium. Members present were Jerry Taylor, Stan Chastain, Robert Williams, Laura Banister and Dr. Kilee Smith. Chairman, Robert Williams called the meeting to order. Superintendent, Darren Berrong gave the invocation and Robert Williams led the pledge of allegiance.

Robert Williams made a motion, seconded by Jerry Taylor, to **approve the agenda**. The motion carried.

The Board approved by acclamation the following consent agenda; **except for the EOG Kick Off, approved by 4 votes with 1 opposed, Dr. Smith.**

➤ Fund Raisers:

- MS Y-Club / Animal Shelter Food Drive / January 16 – 30, 2017
- ES Council / Rock Garden / January 16th – May 16, 2017
- ES Recycle Warriors / Read Across America snack sales / January & May 2017
- MS Recycle Warriors / Sale of T-shirts and crafts / January 2017, Feb 2017 & March, 2017
- HS Soccer Teams / Donation Dots / February 16, 2017
- **ES Council / Milestone EOG Kick Off Movie / March 27-30, 2017**

➤ Field Trips:

- ES Robotics Team / Competition in Chattanooga / January 14, 2017
- ES 4th & 5th / U.S. Rocket Center Huntsville, AL / February 6 & 7, 2017
- MS 4-H / Georgia State Capitol / February 15, 2017
- MS 8th grade class / Skyzone Suwanee, GA / May 5, 2017
- Work Session Minutes / December 5, 2016
- Regular Board Meeting Minutes / December 12, 2016
- Financial Report

Superintendent, Dr. Darren Berrong recommended the board **approve the retirement of a Transportation Employee**. Robert Williams made a motion, seconded by Laura Banister, to **approve the Superintendent's recommendation**. The motion carried. (see attached)

Superintendent, Dr. Darren Berrong recommended the board **approve for a 21st Century Support Staff position**. Stan Chastain made a motion, seconded by Laura Banister, to **approve the Superintendent's recommendation**. The motion carried. (see attached)

Superintendent, Dr. Darren Berrong recommended the board **approve a Custodial Position**. Robert Williams made a motion, seconded by Jerry Taylor, to **approve the Superintendent's recommendation**. The motion carried. (see attached)

Superintendent, Dr. Darren Berrong recommended the board **approve a recommendation of Substitute Teachers, list attached**. Laura Banister made a motion, seconded by Stan Chastain, to **approve the Superintendent's recommendation**. 4 in favor and Dr. Kilee Smith abstained.
The motion carried. (see attached)

Superintendent, Dr. Darren Berrong, reported to the board on the following:

- Road Conditions from weekend snow – We will have no school again tomorrow (Tuesday January 10, 2017) After inspection of some roads that are notorious for keeping ice it would be dangerous not only for the buses but for teenage drivers that have no to little experience with those kind of road conditions.

No Closed Session.

Stan Chastain made a motion, seconded Laura Banister, **to adjourn the meeting**. The motion carried.

Mr. Robert Williams, Chairperson

Dr. Darren Berrong, Superintendent