

**Towns County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
January 8, 2018**

The Towns County Board of Education met in a regular board meeting on Monday, January 8, 2018 at the Towns County School Auditorium. Members present were Stan Chastain, Robert Williams, Laura Banister, Dr. Kilee Smith and Jerry Taylor. Chairman, Stan Chastain called the meeting to order. Superintendent, Darren Berrong gave the invocation and Stan Chastain led the pledge of allegiance.

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

The Board approved by acclamation the following consent agenda:

- Fundraisers:
 - a. NONE
- Field Trips:
 - a. ES Robotics / Super-Regional Competition Chattanooga, TN / January 13, 2018
 - b. HS SADD Club / Young Adult Conference Jekyll Island / February 2-4, 2018
- Financial Statement
- Work Session Minutes / December 4, 2017
- Regular Board Meeting Minutes / December 11, 2017

Superintendent, Dr. Darren Berrong recommended the board **approve the resignation of the Girls Middle School Soccer Coach**. 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 the recommendation of Substitute Teachers**. Laura Banister made a motion, seconded by Robert Williams, to **approve the Superintendent's recommendation**. The motion carried. (see attached)

Superintendent, Dr. Darren Berrong recommended the board **approve the recommendation for an Elementary Paraprofessional**. Laura Banister made a motion, seconded by Robert Williams, to **approve the Superintendent's recommendation**. The motion carried. (see attached)

Superintendent, Dr. Darren Berrong recommended the board **approve the recommendation of 21st Century position**. 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 the recommendation of a Technology Director**. Laura Banister made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kilee Smith, to **approve the Superintendent's recommendation**. The motion carried. (see attached)

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

Elementary School Principal, Sandy Page, reported to the board on the following:

- Enrollment up to 416
- Robotics teams for ES & MS made it to Regional Tournament in Chattanooga – so proud of the teams for their accomplishments

Middle School Principal, Erica Chastain, reported to the board on the following:

- Robotics presentation

High School Principal, Dr. Connie Hobbs, reported to the board on the following:

- Enrollment 327
- Dual Enrollment is up this semester- 40 students enrolled in college courses
- EOC scores increased
- Students who failed EOC prepare for review of material
- Basketball Homecoming
- Cap & Gown orders start

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

- Board training for February, March & April

No Closed Session.

Laura Banister made a motion, seconded Robert Williams, **to adjourn the meeting**. The motion carried.

Mr. Stan Chastain, Chairperson

Dr. Darren Berrong, Superintendent