

# **GIBSON COUNTY SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Regular Meeting  
November 12, 2009**

Mrs. Dana Welch led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Wade Newbill gave the Invocation. Mr., Greg Morris, Vice Board Chairman, called the meeting to order. Members present: Mrs. Pam Flowers, Mrs. Treva Maitland, Mr. Greg Morris, Mr. Wade Newbill, Mr. Steven Tate, and Mrs. Dana Welch. The only member absent was Mrs. Sara Meals. Mrs. Hillary Parham was present as legal counsel.

Mr. Newbill made a motion to approve the amended agenda, with a second by Mrs. Welch. Motion passed. Mr. Newbill made a motion to approve the consent agenda seconded by Mrs. Maitland. Motion passed.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **A. Right Choices of West Tennessee**

Ms. Mary Katherine Gatlin, from Right Choices Program, spoke to the board about our district's continued participation in the program. She shared several facts and stats that stem from this program that services grades 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>. Each class is geared toward that targeted age group. Ms. Gatlin reported that the federal funding will end in August 2010. They will be seeking other grand funding to continue this program. A motion was made by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mrs. Maitland to continue this program in our schools. Motion passed.

### **B. CTE Car Brake Lathe**

Mr. Jim Acree, CTE Director, presented bids for the Car Brake Lathe. There were two bids. The lowest bid with the best quality was with American Tire Distributors for \$ 7,815.00. This price includes teacher training and a student training video. A motion was made by Mrs. Maitland and seconded by Mrs. Welch. Motion passed.

### **C. CTE Equipment Surplus**

Mr. Jim Acree presented the board with a list of equipment to be approved as surplus. The items are as follows: 2 electric ranges, 1 gang mower, and 1 tire changer. A motion was made to approve this equipment as surplus by Mr. Tate with a second by Mr. Newbill. Motion passed.

#### **D. TCAP Test Scores**

Mrs. Michelle Goad and Mrs. Deloris Wilson presented information pertaining to recent test scores. The state has new guidelines in measuring the NCEs (National Curve Equivalent). After explaining the process of gains in the data; they proceeded to present the district's pro-active plans to help reinforce the new curriculum standards. Dr. Robert Green, Tennessee Department of Education Commissioner, had met with the board members, supervisors, and principals to discuss these test results several weeks ago. The changes affected Gibson County's state report card grades, but leaders were pleased with the students' performance.

#### **E. Spring Sports Bids & SGCHS Weight Room Equipment Bids**

Mr. Ken White, Athletic Director, presented the bids for spring sports at South Gibson County High School. The low bid was Skeeter Kell Sporting Goods in the amount of \$ 12,500.10. This includes baseball equipment and uniforms for \$ 6459.10, softball equipment and uniforms for \$ 5265.00 and tennis shirts for \$ 416.00. A motion was made to approve this bid by Mr. Newbill and seconded by Mr. Tate. Motion passed.

Mr. White presented SGCHS weight room equipment bids with low bid with Wilder Fitness Company for \$18,610.00. The brands of equipment are of good quality. A motion was made by Mr. Newbill and seconded by Mr. Morris to approve this low bid. Motion passed.

Mr. White told the board that Mr. Galloway had been selected as *TSSAA School System Administrator of the Year for Athletic District 8*. This honor was awarded because of Mr. Galloway's active role in promoting athletics across the school district.

Mr. White also reported that the Gibson County High School gym floor had been refinished and repainted by Shriver, out of Jackson. There has been lots of positive feedback about how good it looks. Other notes of interest reported by Mr. White, 3 Lady Pioneers have already signed to play collegiate ball with University of Tennessee at Martin. South Gibson County High School's first basketball game will be on November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm there. The State Champion Gold Ball will be presented to GCHS before the girls' game at the first home basketball game at 6:15pm. He announced that two jerseys will be retired the night GC plays Westview on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **F. Policy Review & Revisions**

Mr. Galloway presented policy # 1.402 *Notification of Meetings* for the first reading. The addition to this policy states that, "Board of Trustees "work sessions" will be posted on the Gibson County Special School District web site at least 72 hours prior to the meeting." A motion was made to approve the first reading by Mrs. Maitland and seconded by Mrs. Welch. Motion passed.

Mr. Galloway presented policy # 2.201 *Line Item Transfer Authority* for the first reading. This policy needs to be added to our policies. A motion was made by Mr. Newbill to approve this policy with a second by Mrs. Maitland. Motion passed.

Mr. Galloway presented policy # 5.3021 *Sick Leave Bank* for the first reading. There are several additions and deleted lines. After consulting Mrs. Parham, she will review and have it ready for the first reading in December.

Mr. Galloway presented policy # 6.314 *Corporal Punishment* for the first reading. Item # 6 must be deleted due to updated laws. A motion was made for approval by Mr. Newbill and seconded by Mr. Tate. Motion passed. Mrs. Parham will review this policy before the second reading in December. The board also asked Mrs. Parham to review policy # 6.317 *Student Disciplinary Hearing Authority*.

#### **G. Board Self-Assessment Recap Results**

The recap results were not complete due to not receiving all the assessments. This item will be on the December agenda.

#### **H. TSBA Delegates**

The board needs to elect delegates for the TSBA. A motion was made to appoint, Mrs. Meals, Mrs. Maitland and Mr. Morris as delegates by Mr. Newbill, with a second by Mrs. Welch. Motion passed.

#### **I. Board Member Worksheet**

Mrs. Meals asked for this item to be added to the agenda. Due to her absence there was no worksheet.

#### **J. Budget Amendment**

Mr. Terry Cunningham, Finance Director, presented to the board budget amendments. This was due to meet new ARRA guidelines. A motion was made by Mrs. Maitland and seconded by Mrs. Welch to approve these amendments. Motion passed.

#### **K. Security Camera Bids**

Mr. Cunningham presented bids for security camera updates for schools and buses. The total cost for this expense will be \$67,845. These items will be purchased from a "piggy back" existing contract with Sequatchie County Schools. These updates will be paid by budgeted line items as follows, Capital Outlay \$62,520 and Transportation Equipment \$5,325. A motion was made by Mr. Tate and seconded by Mr. Morris to update the cameras. Motion passed.

#### **L. Director's Report**

Mr. Galloway reminded the board of the TSBA Annual Conference in Nashville on November 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Galloway presented a list of items for surplus from Medina Elementary School. A motion was made by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Newbill to approve these items as surplus. Motion passed.

Also in the board packet was information on the TSBA Day on the Hill to be held in February 23, 2010.

