

**CROSS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**November 21, 2016**  
**5:00 P.M.**

President Joan Ball called the regular meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

**Board Members:** Joan Ball, Richard Imboden, Steve Stricklin, and Craig Walker. Dennis Stevenson, Shane Bell, and James Matlock Absent.

**Visitors:** Stephen Prince, Gina Lee, Terah Plunkett, Illegible Name, Richard Plunkett, Mark Rolland, Mindy Searcy, Matt Swenson, Amber Simpson, Meredith Pearce, and Rachel Sanders.

On a motion made by Steve Stricklin; seconded by Craig Walker to approve the agenda with changing action item #3 to Statement of Work for NIET and personnel as action item #4. Motion carried 4-0.

***Student Hearings***

Student hearings were closed to the public at parents request. On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Steve Stricklin as a result of the student hearings, Justin Plunkett, Olivia Butler, and Logan Bottoms were expelled for disciplinary actions until the end of the semester. The students will be allowed to complete their semester test and attend counseling sessions. Motion carried 4-0.

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Steve Stricklin to approve the consent agenda that includes the following:

- Approval of Minutes of the October 24, 2016 Meeting
- Approval of October 2016 Financials

Motion carried 4-0.

**Informational Items:**

*Rachel Sanders Presentation*

Rachel Sanders from the Class of 2015 gave a presentation from her college class on positive psychology and the effects on student's achievement.

Dennis Stevenson enters meeting at 6:26 PM

*Certified PPC Presentation*

Mark Rolland made a presentation to the board on behalf of the certified PPC to extend the high school counselor contract to 220 days beginning this year.

*Superintendent's Report*

Special ed department completed their monitoring report with only minor fixes.

The refunding bond issue closed on November 8<sup>th</sup>.

The board will leave on the 7<sup>th</sup> around noon to attend the annual school board conference in Little Rock.

Friday night's game was a fantastic game and the football team is headed to the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of playoffs.

The Air Evac contract is expiring and is up for renewal. The cost for renewal is \$5,400. The board upon discussion made the decision to not renew the plan, to instead look into a contract with a local ambulance company.

**Action Items:**

*Board Member Resignation*

On a motion made by Steve Stricklin; seconded by Craig Walker to accept the resignation of board member James Matlock effective November 21, 2016. Motion carried 5-0.

*Appointment of Disbursement Officer*

On a motion made by Steve Stricklin; seconded by Craig Walker to move Richard Imboden to disbursement officer and appoint Joan Ball as alternative disbursement officer. Motion carried 5-0.

*Statement of Work for NIET*

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Dennis Stevenson to approve the statement of work with NIET for \$130,000 for 5 years. Motion carried 5-0.

The board adjourned to Executive Session at 7:12 PM

President Joan Ball called the meeting back to order at 7:38 PM

*Personnel*

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Dennis Stevenson to hire Bethanie Watlington as TAP Project Director and Dr. Matt McClure as TAP Project Coordinator. Motion carried 5-0.

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Dennis Stevenson to hire Albert Greenwell, Jr. as head senior high football coach for the remainder of the school year. Motion carried 5-0.

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Steve Stricklin to extend the contract of high school counselor Susan Morgan to 220 days retroactively. Motion carried 5-0.

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Steve Stricklin to change the stipend for after game cleanup from \$50 to \$60. Motion carried 5-0.

On a motion made by Steve Stricklin; seconded by Dennis Stevenson to give a Christmas bonus to certified staff for \$500 and to classified staff for \$250. Motion carried 5-0.

On a motion made by Steve Stricklin; seconded by Dennis Stevenson to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 pm.

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President's Signature

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Secretary's Signature