

**CROSS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**February 27, 2018**  
**6:00 P.M.**

President Joan Ball called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

**Board Members:** Joan Ball, Steve Stricklin, Craig Walker, and Dennis Stevenson. Richard Imboden, Dewayne Cameron, and Shane Bell absent.

**Visitors:** Teresa Davis, Mark Rolland, Heather Callicott, Matt Swenson, Stephen Prince, Mindy Searcy, Chris Eoff, Chris Wood, Ginger Moore, Meredith Johnson, Perry Johnson, Lainey Wood, Daniel Callicott, Kenlea Eoff, Kaylee Johnson, Whitney Armstrong, Tina Armstrong, Lester Armstrong, Melinda Caver, Cannon Callicott, and Gina Lee.

On a motion made by Steve Stricklin; seconded by Dennis Stevenson to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried 4-0.

**Recognition of Elementary Student of the Month**

Mindy Searcy, Elementary Principal recognized elementary student Kaylee Johnson who was unable to attend last months meeting.

Richard Imboden and Dewayne Cameron entered the meeting at 6:02 PM.

**Recognition of Certified Staff of the Month:**

Elementary Principal Mindy Searcy recognized Elementary Teacher of the Month Heather Callicott.

High School Principal Stephen Prince recognized High School Teacher of the Month Whitney Armstrong.

Presentation of the Daughters of the American Revolution Essay contestants  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade Literacy Teacher Heather Callicott introduced this contest to the district. She took the contest winners to the banquet earlier today to receive their awards. Last year the elementary school took 3 of the 6 awards for their grade levels; this year they took 9 of the 10 awards and the one other winner took the state competition. 5<sup>th</sup> grade students had to write a 300 to 600 word essay based on the prompt given. Kaylee Johnson placed 3<sup>rd</sup>; Lainey Wood took 2<sup>nd</sup>; and Kenlea Eoff placed 1<sup>st</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup> graders had to write a 600 to 1200-word essay on the same prompt. Daniel Callicott placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in that group. Lainey, Kenlea and Daniel read their award winning essays to the board and guest.

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Richard Imboden to approve the consent agenda that includes:

- Approval of minutes of the January 22; February 6, and February 12, 2018 meetings
- Approval of January 2018 Financial Spreadsheet
- Approval of 2019-2020 Proposed Budget of Expenditures

- Approval of AAEEA conference payment for presentation of TAP initiative per terms of the TIF 5 grant.

Motion carried 6-0.

### **Informational Items:**

#### *Superintendent's Report*

The boy's basketball team made it to the regional tournament this year. While the boys bowling team placed 8<sup>th</sup> in State: team members include Holland Melton, Wesley Miller, Kaden Harrell, Jackson, Henderson, Jonathan Cameron, Gavin Phillips and Brandon Edwards. Haley Ashburn on the girl's team finished 20<sup>th</sup> out of 79 in the individual event.

The billboards are up for the district's school choice ads. The Facebook campaign has been using enhancements at least once a week and the commercial are still working. The deadline for school choice is May 1<sup>st</sup>.

The elementary school held the annual Literacy night last week. There were over 90 students who turned out for the event.

The district sold the old I pads; all 170 units were sold in 3 days. The MacBook's will be refreshed during the summer of this year. Plans are in the works to sell the current laptops being used by students.

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Networking Night will be held on April 19<sup>th</sup>. All juniors and juniors from Kipp Delta will attend the event at Clinton Library in Little Rock.

93% of current seniors have completed their FASFA; and 91% have applied to 3 or more colleges.

The high school will have 18 students attending the Regional Science Fair later this week.

The district has yet to receive feedback on the AMI days during the winter weather; the district has decided to wait a little while longer to make sure we do not have to miss any more days for the year.

#### *Food Service Outsource*

Mr. Morris and Ms. Joan Ball have visited 2 different schools that outsource their cafeterias; each use 2 different companies.

March 5<sup>th</sup> will be the pre-bid meeting; the companies who wish to bid will walk the facilities to put together their bid proposals.

April 11<sup>th</sup> will be the public bid opening; before this date each company bidding will give a presentation and sampling to the board.

**Action Items:**

*Approval of 2018-2019 Calendar Options*

On a motion made by Dennis Stevenson; seconded by Craig Walker to approve the 3 calendar options presented and to return them to staff for voting. Motion carried 6-0.

*Approval to Authorize Superintendent to Negotiate Bus Sales*

On a motion made by Steve Stricklin; seconded by Craig Walker to authorize the Superintendent to negotiate the sale of the 7 buses currently on lease for no less than cost of the payout of lease purchase agreement. Motion carried 6-0.

*Miscellaneous*

There were no miscellaneous items at this meeting.

The board adjourned to Executive Session at 6:32 PM

Board returned from Executive Session at 7:27 PM; called back to order by President Joan Ball

*Personnel-Resignation*

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Steve Stricklin to accept the resignation of Jordan Weaver effective 02/07/2018. Motion carried 6-0.

*Personnel-Building Principals*

On a motion made by Craig Walker; seconded by Steve Stricklin to re-hire Mindy Searcy, Elementary Principal; Stephen Prince, High School Principal; and Matthew Swenson, Assistant High School Principal for the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried 6-0.

*Personnel-Stipend Addition*

On a motion made by Richard Imboden; seconded by Dennis Stevenson to add a pro-rated stipend to the contract of Tommy Wells; this stipend a one time thing for the additional duties of Jr and Sr Girls basketball for the remainder of the 2018 season. Amount of stipend is \$4,378.92. Motion carried 6-0.

*Student Discipline*

The board session was closed to the public at 6:46 PM for the student disciplinary hearing.

Called back to order by President Joan Ball at 7:00 PM:

As a result of the hearing Steve Stricklin made a motion; seconded by Dennis Stevenson to expel student 0316 for the remainder of the 2018 Spring Semester. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Craig Walker and seconded by Steve Stricklin to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

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President's Signature

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Secretary's Signature

