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Lee County Board of Education Meeting Highlights
November 8, 2011

During the meeting on November 8, the Lee County Board of Education took the following actions:

- Received public comments from Connessa Ferguson and Josie Womble.
- Approved the minutes of October 10 and 11, 2011.
- Received the 2010-11 audit report from Jack Walker, CPA – Dixon Hughes LLC
- Discussed the Evergreen Solutions financial review with Dr. Linda Recio. Based on board policy, the Superintendent and Board Chairman will be the contacts for the consultants’ interview process.
- Received the Superintendent’s Report:
  - SanLee Middle School was recognized as the Clean School of the Month winner -- head custodian David McLean; custodians Albert Atkins, Monica Hawes, Alice McIver and Fred Martin; and Shannon Shuey, Assistant Principal.
  - Melissa Brewer, 5th grade teacher at Deep River Elementary, was recognized as the Webpage of the Month winner, along with Principal Amy Lundy.
  - Received a report on effects of budget cuts on the Transportation Department.
  - In light of the new calendar law and the lack of available workdays on Election Day, the Superintendent will send a letter to the Board of Elections requesting a meeting to discuss options. In addition, LCS will pursue a calendar waiver for the 2012-13 school year.
  - Informed the board of public records requests regarding communication with Evergreen Solutions from Randall Yow and Keith Clark.
  - The Board of Education will begin meeting at Lee County High School. During the months of December through February, the board will meet in McLeod Auditorium. Beginning in March, the board will meet in a renovated board room in the Library Building.
  - The Board of Education will meet on December 5 (rescheduled from December 13).
- Received committee reports.
- Approved the consent agenda:
  - Fundraisers
  - Contributions and Donations
  - Financial Statements
  - Overnight Field Trips
  - NSBA Annual Conference
  - Pitney Bowes Rental/Lease Agreement
Approved the following policies (editorial changes):
- Policy 1710/4021/7230 – Prohibition Against Discrimination, Harassment and Bullying
- Policy 1720/4015/7225 – Discrimination, Harassment and Bullying Complaint Procedure
- Policy 3430 – School Improvement Plan
- Policy 7130 – Licensure
- Policy 7240 – Drug-Free and Alcohol-Free Workplace
- Policy 7620/8615 – Payroll Deductions
- Policy 7815 – Evaluation of Non-Licensed Employees
- Policy 7820 – Personnel Files
- Policy 7930 – Professional Employees: Demotion and Dismissal
- Policy 7940 – Classified Personnel: Suspension and Dismissal
- Policy 7950 – Probationary Teachers: Nonrenewal

Approved the following policies (suspension of rules):
- Policy 1610/7800 – Professional and Staff Development
- Policy 7810 – Evaluation of Licensed Employees
- Policy 7811 – Plans for Growth and Improvement of Licensed Employees

Approved first reading of the following policies:
- Policy 3101 – Concurrent Enrollment and Other Curriculum Expansions
- Policy 3110 – Innovation in Curriculum and Instruction
- Policy 3300 – School Calendar and Time for Learning
- Policy 3400 – Evaluation of Student Progress and Final Exams
- Policy 3410 Testing and Assessment Program
- Policy 3470/4305 – Alternative Learning Programs/Schools
- Policy 3530 – Citizenship and Character Education
- Policy 4050 – Children of Military Families
- Policy 5010 – Parent Organizations
- Policy 9310 – Names on Building Plaques

Sent the Cafeteria 125 Benefits Plan back to the Finance and Personnel Committee for a recommendation to be placed on the December 5 agenda.

Approved the Human Resources Report.

The next meeting of the Board of Education will be held on December 5 in the Lee County High School McLeod Auditorium (change in meeting date and location).

Time to be announced.