



## **BOARD BRIEFS**

### **February 9, 2017**

#### **CLARKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

District 1: Mr. Greg Davis  
District 2: Mr. Vernon Payne  
District 3: Ms. Linda E. Davis  
District 4: Mr. Jared R. Bybee  
District 5: Ms. Sarah Ellis (Vice President)  
District 6: Mr. Charles Worthy (President)  
District 7: Ms. Carol Williams  
District 8: Mr. John Knox  
District 9: Ms. Ovita Thornton

**Present:** G. Davis, Payne, L. Davis, Bybee, Ellis, Worthy, Williams, Knox and Thornton

**Absent:** None

#### **RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS**

##### **MLK Writing and Art Contest District Winners**

Grades K-1 Writing: Laila Nobles, Barnett Shoals Elementary School  
Grades K-1 Art: Sheldon Hancock, Whit Davis Elementary School  
Grades 2-3 Writing: Farrell Hyde, Chase Street Elementary School  
Grades 2-3 Art: Darrel Smith, Jr. Fowler Drive Elementary School  
Grades 4-5 Writing: Ilenay Davila, Whitehead Road Elementary School  
Grades 4-5 Art: London Moore, Barnett Shoals Elementary School  
Middle School Writing: Cleo Weinmeister, Clarke Middle School  
Middle School Art: Amira Adkins, Clarke Middle School  
High School Writing: Santanna Cole, Cedar Shoals High School  
High School Art: Tom Eberhart, Cedar Shoals High School

##### **Special Olympics Recognition**

Norman Austin, Silver Medal – Traditional Bowling Team  
Gabino Aguilar, Silver Medal – Traditional Bowling Team  
Keelan Bell, Bronze Medal – Floor Hockey Skills  
Savannah Brooks, Bronze Medal – Ramp Bowling  
Liz Calderon, Bronze Medal – Ramp Bowling  
Jacob Edwards, Gold Medal – Unified Bowling Team  
Victa Ellison, Bronze Medal – 3v3 Basketball  
Travalis Hamrick, Silver Medal – Ramp Bowling  
Kevin Heredia, Gold Medal – 3v3 Basketball  
Marquis Potts, Gold Medal – Ramp Bowling

CCSD Special Olympics Basketball Team – Gold Medal

Julie Evans, Adapted Physical Education and Special Olympics Local Coordinator

**DAR American History Essay Contest Winners**

Eunwoo Kim, Barrow Elementary School – 5th Grade Winner  
Natalie Schliekelman, Clarke Middle School – 7th Grade Winner

**Northeast Georgia Hunger Awareness Essay Contest Winner**

Katherine Queen, Barrow Elementary School

**Georgia All-State Chorus**

Fritz Frankowiak, Cedar Shoals High School  
Doug Grant, Director of Choral Activities

**National Scholastic Press Association Awards**

Clarke Central High School

ODYSSEY Newsmagazine

Pacemaker Finalist

Kevin Mobley, 3<sup>rd</sup> place – News Story of the Year

Flora Letreck and Zoe Peterson, 9<sup>th</sup> place – Sports Multimedia Story of the Year

David Ragsdale, Advisor

**Four Star Employee Award Winners**

Steven Kent, Adaptive P.E. Teacher– Special Education

Vicki Millsap, Assistant Cafeteria Manager – Athens Community Career Academy

April Smith, Teacher – J.J. Harris Elementary School

Custodial Staff – Barnett Shoals Elementary School

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

Alexander Holland, a student at Hilsman Middle School, addressed the Board regarding the state of facilities at the Hilsman campus.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Superintendent Search Update – Dr. Brad Draeger, Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates

**BOARD REPORTS**

GSBA

Government Relations Committee

Finance Committee

Policy Committee

Property Committee

**POLICY DISCUSSION**

**Policies/Regulations/Exhibits to be Presented for Public Review for Four Weeks:  
Policy BCBG – Voting Method (Reviewed)**

The Board placed Policy BCBG – Voting Method on the Table for four weeks. Review was requested because a sentence has been added specifically permitting participation and voting by telephone to the extent permitted by the Georgia Open Meetings Act. The Committee should address whether such participation does or does not include executive sessions.

### **Policy GAAA – Equal Opportunity Employment (Revised)**

The Board placed Policy GAAA – Equal Opportunity Employment on the Table for four weeks. The revision is recommended because it was noticed that some but not all policies include gender identity and sexual orientation as prohibited bases of discrimination on those bases.

### **Policy JBCD – Transfers and Withdrawals (Revised)**

The Board placed Policy JBCD – Transfers and Withdrawals on the Table for four weeks. Revisions were made to correct addresses, to clarify second paragraph and to eliminate conditional admission.

### **Policy JRA – Student Data Privacy Complaints (New)**

The Board placed Policy JRA – Student Data Privacy Complaints on the Table for four weeks. The proposed policy is taken from GSBA's Policy Alert, and is substantially identical to the model policy promulgated by GDOE.

### **Exhibit JRA-E(1) – Student Data Privacy Complaints (New)**

The Board placed Exhibit JRA-E(1) – Student Data Privacy Complaints on the Table for four weeks. The Student Data Privacy, Accessibility, and Transparency Act requires a policy for complaints but does not expressly require a form. A form is recommended, however, to standardize the process and avoid confusion to parents and administrators.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Minutes of Previous Meetings: Work Session – January 5, 2017 and Regular Meeting – January 12, 2017**

The Board approved the previous minutes for the January 5, 2017 Work Session and the January 12, 2017 Regular Meeting as presented.

**APPROVED 9-0**

### **Financial Reports – December 2016**

The Board approved the Financial Reports for December 2016 as presented.

**APPROVED 9-0**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **Approve Out-of-State/Overnight Field Trip Requests**

The Board approved the request for the following out-of-state and/or overnight field trips: Clarke Central High School to Macon, GA Feb. 9-11, 2017

*Purpose: State Dual Championship*

Cedar Shoals High School to Gainesville, GA Feb. 16-18, 2017

*Purpose: Honors Band Competition*

Clarke Central High School to Jekyll Island, GA Mar. 8-10, 2017

*Purpose: Soccer Tournament of Champions*

Cedar Shoals High School to Macon, GA Apr. 27-29, 2017

*Purpose: State Level Agriscience Fair*

Oglethorpe Avenue Elementary School to Tybee Island, GA May 3-5, 2017

*Purpose: Burton 4-H Center*

Barnett Shoals Elementary School to St. Simons, GA May 3-5, 2017

*Purpose: Driftwood 4-H Center*

Cedar Shoals High School to Covington, GA May 22-26, 2017

*Purpose: FFA Summer Leadership Camp*

Burney-Harris-Lyons Middle School to Comer, GA June 15-16, 2017

*Purpose: Watson Mill State Park Campsite*

**Approve Ratification of Emergency Sewer Repair – Clarke Middle (Plant Services)**

The Board approved the ratification of payment to King Plumbing Company as outlined for a total of \$22,028.00. Funding will come from Plant Service's budget.

**Approve Purchase of School Buses – State of GA Bond Funding (Transportation)**

The Board approved the purchase of three (3) new 72 passenger Blue Bird school buses with related equipment from Yancey Bus Sales and Service utilizing State of Georgia contract pricing for a total purchase price of \$286,605. Funding of \$231,648.75 is from the State of Georgia Bond fund and \$54,956.25 is from the Transportation Department budget. In the event the bus delivery date extends beyond the end of the FY 2017 fiscal year, funds for this purchase shall carry over to the FY 2018 Transportation Department budget.

**Approve Purchase of School Buses – (SPLOST Transportation)**

The Board approved the purchase of one (1) new 72 passenger conventional Blue Bird bus and two (2) new 72 passenger wheel chair Blue Bird buses with related equipment from Yancey Bus Sales and Service utilizing State of Georgia contract pricing for a total purchase price of \$307,205. Funding is from the SPLOST 4 Transportation budget.

**Approve Department of Behavioral Health and Development Disabilities Contract for Alcohol Use/Abuse Prevention Services Grant**

The Board approved fiscal year 2017 funding from the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Contract for Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention for the Clarke County School District in the amount of \$244,368.00 for the first year of a five year contract cycle.

**APPROVED 9-0**

**END CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approve Early Hiring Teachers for 2017-2018**

The Board approved to allow contracts to be issued to teachers, not to exceed 15 in total, for the 2017-18 school year.

**APPROVED 9-0**

**Approve Amendment of Resolution Requesting the Georgia General Assembly Amend Section 11 of the District's Charter**

The Board approved the amendment to the resolution requesting the Georgia General Assembly amend Section 11 of the District's charter as requested by Senator Frank Ginn.

**APPROVED 9-0**

**PERSONNEL**

The Board approved the personnel list as presented.

**APPROVED 7-0**

**G. Davis and L. Davis abstained.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### **THIS MONTH'S ART**

Thanks to students from **Whitehead Road Elementary School** and **Whit Davis Elementary School** and art instructors **Jennifer Jones** and **Christine Graziano** respectively for the artwork on display.

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