Regular Meeting Montgomery County Board of Education Board Room, 703 Dobbins Street, Mount Vernon, Georgia February 9, 2012 6:00 PM

The Montgomery County Board of Education held the February regular monthly meeting on February 9, 2012. Members present were Deloris James, Lendle Hamilton, Dr. Jim Paul Poole, and Charlie Robison. Jackson Posey was not in attendance.

Mr. Hamilton delivered the invocation and led the gathering in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

On a motion by Mr. Hamilton, a second by Mr. Robison, and a unanimous vote, the agenda for the meeting was approved.

The minutes from previous meetings, February 6th, and January 12th were approved on a motion by Dr. Poole, a second by Mr. Hamilton, and a 4-0 vote.

There was no heard public participation from citizens. (No citizens signed up for this segment.)

Mr. Deen recognized the Quiz Bowl Team that advanced to the regional competition as a result of a second place finish in the district competition. Members of the Quiz Bowl team are Tamia Hardy, Kayla Waters, Bianca Izaquire, Brittany Bell, Michael McCoy, Bria Boyer, and Lexi Hughes. These students were presented with medals.

Mrs. Deen also recognized the school science fair winners: 4th Grade – Towns Etheridge (3rd Place), Brice McGuire (2nd Place), and Rachel Thigpen (1st Place); 5th Grade – Cianne Snead (3rd Place) Darby Connell (2nd Place), and Jared Roberson (1st Place); and 6th Grade – Mary Beth White (Third Place), Brittany Braddy (2nd Place) and Chelsea Clark (1st Place). In District competition Brittany Braddy placed third and Chelsea Clark placed second on today (February 9th). Brittany and Chelsea were presented with certificates.

Dr. Middlebrooks introduced Mrs. Rhonda Stone, and . Mrs. Stone introduced several students that competed in FFA activities. Flora-culture team members were 8th grade students Ailey Williamson, Tristan Braswell, Jada Daniels, and Kaylee Coleman. This team placed 9th of 41 teams.

Dr. Middlebrooks introduced Mrs. Coleman, Reading/Language Arts teacher from the middle school, who introduced her Quiz Bowl team members who placed third at the district Helen Ruffin Reading competition. They are Marlee Clark, Kaylee Coleman, Ailey Williamson, Jada Daniels, Kelly Couey, Joshua Horne, John Kite, Israel Sanchez, Jessie Wilhite, Jacey Thomas, and Dakota Poole. Mrs. Coleman presented the participants with certificates.

Melissa Palmer introduced school level science fair winners. Seventh Grade: 1st Place – Jacey Thomas, 2nd Place – Duke Hullender, and 3rd Place – Zachary Blaylock. Eighth Grade: 1st Place – Tory McGuire, 2nd Place – Cody Waters, John Kite, and Israel Sanchez, and 3rd Place – Kelly Coleman, Jada Daniels, Kaylee Coleman, and Marlee Clark. All of these students received certificates. Mrs. Palme also recognized District Science Fair Winners: 3rd Place – Tory McGuire, Cody Waters, 3rd Place – Cody waters, Israel Sanchez, and Cody Waters, 3rd Place – Kaylee Coleman and Marlee Clark, and 1st Place – Duke Hullender.

High School Principal Dr. Henry Walding recognized JROTC students that competed at the Jupiter, Florida meet: Cadet Thurston Poole, Cadet Joshua Spires, and Cadet Drew Morrell. He presented those cadets present with certificates.

Special Education Director Audrey Walters presented the system Special Education Teacher of the Year, Tim Suttles, with a certificate and a cash award. Principal Brittany Deen presented Mr. Suttles with a gift certificate.

Following the presentations Board Member, Dr. Poole, commented that it was encouraging to hear all of these awards and that "rain had fallen in Montgomery County tonight".

Mr. Rodgers delivered the Superintendent's report.

As representative of the system leadership team, Dr. Henry Walding presented a PowerPoint presentation about the efforts and plans of the district regarding the plans to meet the requirements of the SACS interim Report.

The Accounts Payable report for January was approved on a motion by Mr. Robison, a second by Dr. Poole, and a unanimous vote.

Various fundraisers were approved on a motion by Dr. Poole and a second by Mr. Robison followed by a 4-0 vote.

The Board approved e-rate funded upgrades totaling \$215,391.24 for \$21,589.12, 10% of the actual cost. The remaining 90% is funded by federal funds that have been applied for in the previous fiscal year for the term July through June.

At 7:10, the Board went into executive session on a motion by Dr. Poole and a second by Mr. Robison. The vote was 4-0.

The Board returned from executive session at 8:25 on a motion by Mr. Hamilton, a second by Mr. Robison, and a 4-0 vote.

Mr. Rodgers recommended the approval of Carol Jones, Gady Youmans, and Rochelle Culver as substitute teachers. The motion was approved after a motion by Dr. Poole, a second by Mr. Hamilton, and a 4-0 vote.

Mrs. James announced that the evaluation by the Board of Education of Superintendent Randy Rodgers was satisfactory.

The Board of Education adjourned at 8:29 on a motion by Mr. Robison, a second by Mr. Hamilton, and a 4-0 vote.

Read and approved this 8th day of March, 2012.

Deloris James - Board Chair

Randy Rodgers - Superintendent