LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD REVIEW for May 7, 2015

The Lexington City Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on May 7, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Administrative Office located at 1010 Fair St., Lexington, NC. At that time they considered the following items:

I. Spotlight on People and Programs
   A. The board recognized Councilor Tobin Shepherd.
   B. Elementary Battle of the Books
      Charles England’s 5th Grade Team won the Elementary Battle of the Books (E-BoB) competition April 2nd by defeating 5 other teams. Winning team members received a medal and a book from next year’s E-BoB competition list. The perpetual E-BoB plaque will be on display for a year at Charles England. Team members were Brooke Boger, Kate Hedrick, Kinsey Calderone, Ally Turner, Harrison Gardner and Isabella Abood.
   C. Lexington City Schools’ Teachers of the Year
      For the first time in the history of Lexington City Schools, two teachers tied for Teacher of the Year (TOY). The Board congratulated Joy Harman of Southwest Elementary and Rhonda Sheldon, a first year teacher from Charles England Elementary. Since only one teacher per system may be eligible to be considered in regional competition, Joy Harman, upon the results of a coin toss, will be LCS’ official TOY representative.

II. Consent Agenda
   The consent agenda was approved
   A. Overnight Field Trip Request
   B. Student Placement
      1. Out of District Request 2015-16
      2. Out of District Request 2014-15
      3. Released from Lexington City Schools 2015-16

III. Appearance by Citizen(s)
     No citizens requested to address the board at this time.

IV. City Council
    There was no school related business discussed in the April 27th City Council Meeting.

V. Policy
   The policies were approved:
   1. 3.24 Internet Safety
   2. 3.25 Network Security
   3. 3.26 Technology Responsible Use
   4. 4.5 Technology in the Educational Program
   5. 4.6 Technology Responsible Use
   6. 5.12 Web Page Development
   7. 5.24 Internet Safety
   8. 5.25 Network Safety
V. Business and Finance
A. April Financial Summary
Shelly Gentle presented the financial summary for April. The summary was approved.
B. Preliminary Budget 2015-2016
The preliminary budget was approved.

VI. Curriculum & Instruction
A. Bonus Learning Committee Update – (Elementary)
Emy Garrett updated the board on the Elementary Bonus Learning Committee. The committee is made up of 25 members, parents, teachers and administrators. In a balanced year calendar, bonus learning occurs during the two intercession periods that would occur between the 1st and 2nd 9 weeks and between the 3rd and 4th 9 weeks. The committee has created a preliminary plan and is creating a survey that will be distributed to teachers for their feedback on possible courses and activities that would be most beneficial to students. The possibilities are numerous and could include enrichment classes or activities, such as field trips.
B. Bonus Learning Committee Update – (Secondary)
Nicole Piggott updated the board on the Secondary Bonus Learning Committee. Their committee is made up of 10 members, parents, teachers and administrators. They have created a preliminary plan as well, but will differ from elementary in that the high school teachers will have a greater input into what is offered and will be able to propose ideas.
C. NC Virtual Public Schools
Beginning next year, LMS will offer a virtual Spanish I course through the NC Virtual Public School system to 8th grade students. To qualify, students would need to have an A in English, score a 5 on English EOG and receive a recommendation from their English teacher.

VII. Board of Education
A. SMOD Suggestions – presentation by Tejhan Moore
Tejhan Moore, a LSHS student presented his SMOD Replacement Plan.
B. County Commissioner Request
The County Commissioner has requested that Lexington City Schools contribute funds back to the county to help fund the initiative to develop a Sports and Events Complex in Davidson County, and to become part of the consortium to study the complex. The board approved contributing $500 toward the county’s study of the Sports Complex.

VIII. Closed Session
IX. Personnel