

Elbert County Schools—Board Brief

Summary of the October 9th & 16th Meetings

Highlights of Presentation and Discussion Items

The following items were presented to the Board:

- **Finance Report** - The General Fund Revenue for the month of September was \$1,648,294. The General Fund Expenditures for the month of September were \$2,508,807. The Cash Balance as of September 30, 2017 was \$3,276,586. The Projected Fund Balance for June 30, 2017 is \$4,639,302. SPLOST for September was \$168,855.
- **Facilities Update** - The track project and ECMS athletic facilities will be re-evaluated due to the high cost of site work that needs to be done. The architect and Carroll Daniel Construction will be on site October 18th to gather more information
- **"By the Numbers"** - September SPLOST was up at \$168,856 as compared to September 2016 SPLOST which was \$157,514. The Economic Impact for September 2017 shows a payroll of \$1.56 million. Employee leave days were down at 338 days as compared to September 2016 at 408. Energy costs were slightly down from last year.
- **Classified Employee of the Month** - Dana Tiller, payroll and grant accounting at the BOE, was recognized as the Classified Employee of the Month. Superintendent Bell presented her with a plaque of recognition.
- **Teacher of the Year** - Each school recognized their teacher of the year: PJBLC - Jodi Mewborn, ECPS - Kelly Hall, ECES - Jill Callaway, ECMS - Dixie McCarty, and ECCHS - Phil Bohlen. These outstanding teachers were selected by their peers. The District Teacher of the Year was chosen by judges from outside the county. The District Teacher of the Year was announced as ECPS teacher Kelly Hall.
- **2017 Graduation Rate** - The Elbert County School District 2017 graduation rate for all students was 82.8%, higher than 2016 results at 79.8%. The special education students' graduation rate for 2016 was 30% and for 2017 was 63.2%. The increase in the graduation rate was encouraging.
- **School Improvement Plans** - PJBLC, ECPS, and ECES each presented their school improvement plans outlining their goals, and action plans. Plans may be viewed on the Elbert County website: www.elbert.k12.ga.us
- **Policy** - The Board was presented with a revision to Policy JBC School Admissions and a new Policy JBCB Non-Resident Students. The Board placed both policies on the table for public review for thirty days. The policies will be voted on at the November Regular Meeting.
- **The following items were approved:**
- **Personnel Recommendations** - The Board approved one Personnel Recommendation.
- **Bowman Gymnasium** - The Board approved a secondary lease agreement with the Mountain Education Charter High School, and the City of Bowman for the use of the Gymnasium.