The Decatur County Board of Education met for the Work Session Meeting on February 16, 2012, 6:00 p.m. at the Decatur County Board of Education Support Center, 507 Martin Street. Members present were: Dr. Sydney Cochran, Chairman, Jacky Grubbs, Vice Chairman, Bobby Barber, Jr., Randall Jones and Winston Rollins. Mrs. Clarissa Kendrick was absent.

Dr. Cochran called the meeting to order.

Superintendent Rayfield provided the Board with information on the following items:

- Financial Update – information provided by School Superintendent, Dr. Fred Rayfield and Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Tim Matthews.
- Distribute Superintendent Evaluation Instrument - information provided by School Superintendent, Dr. Fred Rayfield.

**Superintendent Notes:**

**REMINDES:**

1). RESA Board Training – February 22, 2012. (Required Session)
   507 Martin Street
   5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

2). GSBA Board Chair Workshop – February 25, 2012 (Optional Session)
   Dougherty County Board of Education
   200 Pine Avenue
   Albany Georgia
   9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Winston Rollins made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Mr. Randall Jones Rollins. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned.
The Decatur County Board of Education met for its regular monthly meeting on February 16, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. at the Decatur County Schools Support Center. Members present were: Dr. Sydney Cochran, Chairman, Jacky Grubbs, Vice Chairman, Bobby Barber, Jr., Randall Jones and Winston Rollins. Mrs. Clarissa Kendrick was absent.

Dr. Cochran called the meeting to order and Mr. Jacky Grubbs gave the invocation. West Bainbridge Elementary teachers, Mrs. Karri Paramore and Mrs. Amy Andrews provided the inspirational message with their students demonstrating the Common Core Georgia Performance Standards of writing and math.

Mr. Jacky Grubbs made a motion to accept the agenda. Mr. Winston Rollins gave a second to the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Bobby Barber made a motion to accept the minutes of the past meeting. Mr. Jacky Grubbs made the second to the motion. The motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- Mrs. Doris Cosby read two questions to Board of Education members. Dr. Cochran reminded Mrs. Cosby that the Board of Education could not discuss student and personnel matters in a Regular Board of Education meeting.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

Superintendent Rayfield introduced:

- Superintendent Rayfield along with the Director of Nursing, Mrs. Christy Harrell recognized all Decatur County Schools as a Heart Safe School with a plaque.
- Superintendent Rayfield announced that three DCBOE employees were featured in the latest edition of Bainbridge Living under the “Women to Watch” section. The employees are Allison Harrell, Charlotte Howard, and Vonda Hubbard.
- Superintendent Rayfield announced the partnership between DCBOE and Action GM. Action GM has agreed to provide a car to two DCBOE employees with perfect attendance for the next four attendance months. All eligible employees’ names will be entered into a drawing to drive the car and two names will be pulled as the winners.
- Superintendent Rayfield commented on the approval of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Waiver as well as the College and Career Index.
INFORMATION ITEMS:

I. Administrative Services Report:

A. Financial: Tim Matthews, Chief Financial Officer, reported that with 58% of the school year completed we are at 59% of the budget. ESPLOST receipts for January were $506,000 which is up from the prior month and year-to-date ESPLOST receipts are up by 5% and holding steady. Mr. Matthews expressed a concern about the upcoming FY13 projected budget shortfall.

B. School Food Service: Debbie Purcell, SFS Director – reported that at 59% of the year, SFS had expended 54% of their budget.

C. Maintenance: Jerry Mills, Maintenance Director – No Report.

D. Transportation: Farrell Lawrence, Transportation Director, reported to the Board that Bus Inspections for all Decatur County School busses will occur next week.

E. Susan Johnson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum – Absent.

F. Dr. Suzi Bonifay, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum commented on the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Waiver. Under the waiver, schools will no longer be asked to meet “Adequate Yearly Progress” (AYP) benchmarks, but will still be held accountable on proficiency indicators under a yet to be determined new system. Dr. Bonifay also provided the formative assessment report for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers for Director Jimmy Harris (who was ill). The external evaluator made two recommendations: (1) allow an activity following the home-work session for those who finish early and (2) replicate the positive use of iPass at the schools where students were not as excited about the software. Overall, the 21st Century Program is in good standing for meeting the 2011 – 2012 goals and is working on improving services daily.

G. Special Education: Catherine Gossett – No Report.

H. Dr. April Aldridge, Federal Programs Director – Absent due to a conference.

E. Technology: Steve Dunn, Director – No Report.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Recommend Adoption of the 2012 – 2013 School Calendar. Mr. Winston Rollins made the motion to adopt the 2012 – 2013 School Calendar. Mr. Jacky Grubbs seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

2. Recommend Declare School Bus as Surplus Property for donation to the City of Bainbridge. Mr. Jacky Grubbs made the motion to Declare School Bus Property for donation to the City of Bainbridge. Mr. Winston Rollins seconded the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.
3. Recommendation of Personnel - Superintendent Rayfield presented the Board with the February 2012 personnel recommendations and resignations. Mr. Randall Jones made a motion to accept the personnel recommendations and resignations. Mr. Bobby Barber made a second to the motion. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Randall Jones made a motion to adjourn following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mr. Jacky Grubbs seconded the motion. The motion carried. After the Pledge, the meeting was adjourned.