

CHATTOOGA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 19, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

Chattooga County Board
Office of the Superintendent
Agenda for Board Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Lori Brady. There was a quorum of Board Members present.

Voting Members Present

Lori Brady, Board Chair
Tiffany Lawrence, Board Vice-chair
B.J. Montgomery, Board Member
Bonnie Fletcher, Board Member

Non-voting Members Present

Michelle Helie, Superintendent
Jeremy Heathcock, Assistant Superintendent
Alisha Yoder, Admin. Assistant to the Superintendent

Board Members Absent

Eddie Elsberry

- **Invocation:** Jason Whitfield
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** B.J. Montgomery

-A motion to amend the agenda, to make the following changes, was made by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Ms. Fletcher, and the vote was unanimous:

1. Remove agenda item D-2 (August Financial Statement)
2. Additions to agenda item G-1:

Certified Recommendation

-Laura Gamble; 49% Interventionist at Leroy Massey Elementary School; beginning 09/12/2024.

Classified Resignation

-Randy Hampton; Bus Driver; personal reasons; effective 09/11/2024.

Classified Transfer

-Teresa Luallen; School Food Service Worker from Leroy Massey Elementary School to Chattooga High School; replacing Kathy Meadows; beginning 09/17/2024.

Classified Recommendations

- Richard Chamlee; Custodian at Chattooga High School; replacing Adrian Tidmore; beginning 09/12/2024.
- Gabrielle Dyer; Caregiver at Chattooga High School; replacing Tammy McDonald; beginning 09/24/2024.

Substitute

- Brook Canada; Substitute Teacher; effective 09/19/2024.

- **Adoption of Superintendent's Recommended Agenda for September 19, 2024 School Board Meeting.**

- A motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Ms. Lawrence, and the vote was unanimous.

- **Approve Minutes of Previous Months' Meetings**

- August 15, 2024 monthly meeting
- August 29, 2024 called meeting

- A motion to approve the previous month's minutes was made by Ms. Lawrence, with a second by Ms. Fletcher, and the vote was unanimous.

- **Public Participation: NONE**

- A. Resolutions/Recognitions (no action required)**

- 1. FY25 School-level Teachers of the Year:

- Chattooga High School- Bengi Price
 - Summerville Middle School- Kristen Gilbert
 - Leroy Massey Elementary School- Jessica Kersnowski
 - Lyerly Elementary School- Lindsay Eckroat
 - Menlo Elementary School- Erica Brown

- 2. National Maintenance and Custodian Workers Appreciation Day Resolution

- B. School Board Members: NONE**

- C. School Board Policies**

- 1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Local Board Training Plan for FY25.

- 2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to update Board Policy IED: Scheduling for Instruction (**policy has been open for public comment since being presented to the Board at the August meeting**).

- A motion to approve C-1 and C-2 was made by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Ms. Fletcher, and the vote was unanimous.

D. Financial Management

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Financial Statement for July 31, 2024.

-A motion to approve D-1 was made by Ms. Lawrence with a second by Mr. Montgomery, and the vote was unanimous.

- ~~2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Financial Statement for August 31, 2024.~~

E. Educational Programs, Student Support and Staff Development

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve changes to the 2024-2025 Student/Parent Handbook.

2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve changes to the 2024-2025 Federal Programs Written Policies and Procedures Handbook.

-A motion to approve E-1 and E-2 was made by Ms. Fletcher with a second by Mr. Montgomery, and the vote was unanimous.

F. Support Services/Facilities and Construction Management/Planning: NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

-A motion to enter executive session was made at 6:17 p.m. by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Ms. Lawrence, and the vote was unanimous.

-A motion to exit executive session and re-enter regular session was made at 6:42 p.m. by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Ms. Fletcher, and the vote was unanimous. **No action was taken in Executive Session.**

G. Personnel

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following personnel changes:

Certified Recommendations

- Rhonda Bannister; 38% Interventionist at Lyerly Elementary School; new allotment; beginning 09/10/2024.
- Shirley 'Denise' Jones; 38% Interventionist at Lyerly Elementary School; new allotment; beginning 09/10/2024.
- Lisa Miller; 38% Interventionist at Lyerly Elementary School; new allotment; beginning 09/10/2024.

Classified Resignations

- Leanna Cargle; Non-Instructional Aide at Leroy Massey Elementary School; personal reasons; effective 09/06/2024.
- Felicia Foster; Bus Monitor; medical reasons; effective 08/29/2024.
- Tammy McDonald; Paraprofessional at Chattooga High School; personal reasons; effective 09/06/2024.

- Kaysea O'Neal; School Food Service Worker at Leroy Massey Elementary School; son's medical issues; effective 08/20/2024.
- Tammy Ransom; Paraprofessional at Leroy Massey Elementary School; personal reasons; effective 08/21/2024.
- Kandi Rich; Non-Instructional Aide at Leroy Massey Elementary School; personal reasons; effective 08/25/2024.
- Stephanie Siffles; Paraprofessional at Leroy Massey Elementary School; personal reasons; effective 08/23/2024.
- Adrian Tidmore; Custodian at Chattooga High School; personal reasons; effective 09/03/2024.
- Olivia Tidmore; Custodian at Chattooga High School; personal reasons; effective 09/03/2024.

Classified Transfer

- Mason Marshall; Custodian from Leroy Massey Elementary School to Chattooga High School; replacing Olivia Tidmore; beginning 09/17/2024.

Classified Recommendations

- Susan Bell; School Food Service Worker at Leroy Massey Elementary School; replacing Kaysea O'Neal; beginning 09/24/2024.
- Katherine Henshaw; Paraprofessional at Leroy Massey Elementary School; replacing Tammy Ransom; beginning 08/22/2024.
- Kandy Nixon-Craig; Paraprofessional at Leroy Massey Elementary School; replacing Kandi Rich; beginning 09/03/2024.
- Desirae Rogers; Paraprofessional at Leroy Massey Elementary School; replacing Michael Alpha; beginning 08/20/2024.

Substitutes

- Lydia Pence; Substitute Teacher; effective 09/17/2024.
 - Lakisha McConnell; Certified Substitute Teacher; effective 09/17/2024.
 - Tammy McDonald; Certified Substitute Teacher; effective 09/17/2024.
 - Kandi Rich; Substitute Teacher; effective 09/17/2024.
- A motion to approve all items under G-1 (including additions), was made by Ms. Lawrence, with a second by Ms. Fletcher, and the vote was unanimous.

H. Superintendent of School

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation for approval of monthly Outline of Board Activities for the 2024-2025 school year.
- A motion to approve H-1 was made by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Ms. Fletcher, and the vote was unanimous.

-Superintendent's "For Information Only" Items

- 1- School safety
- 2- School bus purchases
- 3- Tool truck purchase for Transportation
- 4- Tractor replacement at Summerville Middle School

- 5- Board training and school visits 04-17-25
- 6- Robert Beach gave curriculum/district updates

ADJOURNMENT

-A motion to adjourn was made at 7:05 p.m. by Ms. Lawrence, with a second by Mr. Montgomery, and the vote was unanimous.

Michelle Helie, Superintendent

Lori Brady, Chairman

Recorded by: _____

Alisha Yoder

Admin. Assistant to Superintendent