

Decatur County Board of Education
August 19, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes

The Decatur County Board of Education met for its regular monthly meeting on August 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at the Decatur County Board of Education. Members present were Mr. Keith Lyle, Board Chairman, Mr. Winston Rollins, Vice Chair, Mr. Eric Worthington, and Mr. Kelvin Bouie.

Mr. Lyle called the meeting to order. Mr. Rollins gave the invocation.

Mr. Lyle requested a motion to accept the agenda. Mr. Winston Rollins made a motion to accept the agenda and Mr. Kelvin Bouie seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Lyle requested a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Eric Worthington made the second motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Chester Holley - Alumni of Hutto dissatisfied with trophies. None to no trophies prior to 1970 during segregation time. How will kids benefit from the PLC at the High School? What is the plan for Hutto five years from now? BHS has never had a person of color or female as principal?

Bernard Phillips - Trophies not at Hutto that were earned during segregation period. Would like a commemoration for Mr. Johnny Johnson in regards to the land donation and the fact that the facility was a learning institute.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION and PRESENTATIONS:

- West Bainbridge Primary Award- Mrs. Ortega Ross
- School Nutrition Presentation- Mrs. Nita Floyd
- School Finance Presentation- Mr. Tim Matthews
- Governor's Commendation- Mr. Cochran

SUPERINTENDENT COCHRAN'S REPORT:

- ★ **Back to School Numbers- Handout provided**
 - **Oct FTE compared to enrollment today - Decrease of 146 kids**
- ★ **Summer School Numbers - Handout provided**
 - **K-12 Served 408 Students**
 - **High School Credits Recovered - 226**
- ★ **New Bainbridge Middle School Update**

- Layout of how building will sit on property
- Building Design Discussion
- Auditorium- 3 options
- ★ **Building / Property Update**
 - Mr. Tom Conger has taken over deed property work
 - Issues with deed on downtown building- issues resolved
- ★ **Board Training**
 - Tentative Dates
 - Monday, September 13, 2021 6:00-9:00
 - Monday, October 18, 2021 6:00-9:00
 - Monday, February 14, 2021 6:00-9:00- Flex date if needed - Changing to March date
- ★ **COVID**
 - District Update
 - Encouraging vaccinations
 - BHS doing a drive
 - Flexibility given from DPH in regards to quarantine rules
 - August 3rd Survey from 121 of 181 Districts
 - 81% are not mandating mask on campus at all
 - 59% are not mandating mask on buses
 - 72% are not allowing any COVID leave
 - 79% are still contact tracing for DPH
- ★ **Review of Action Items**
 - Tab 1 - Out of town trip - Normal CTAE competitions
 - Tab 2 - Policy GARH, second reading - added language surrounding new law
 - Tab 3 - Policy GBIA, second reading- staff appeal process for unsatisfactory evaluations
 - Tab 4 - Capital Outlay Application - application to approve our request for State funds for building the middle school
 - Tab 5 - Elevate K12- Program that we would like to pilot in two classes this year
 - Tab 6 - Property Surplus - Gives authority to close property deal previously discussed
 - Tab 7 - Millage Rate FY22- Roll back rate of 14.565 will be accepted from previous rate 15.375
 - Tab 8 - CTAE Perkins Grant - This is grant money that comes to fund our CTAE department
 - Tab 9 - Classroom Size Resolution - Resolution approved annually for class size
 - Tab 10 - Personnel

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Administrative Services Report..... Supt. Cochran

Financial..... Supt. Cochran

Financial Finished the EOY at 106% revenue and 95 % expenditure. - This includes the Capital Outlay Transfer
462,000 monthly SPLOST average - SPLOST ended around \$400,000 with the 1 year adjustment in October (3 months).

School Nutrition Supt. Cochran

School Nutrition Finished the EOY at 58% revenue and 68% expenditure. Difference of \$300,000.00

ACTION ITEMS:

1. The recommendation to approve the Out of Town/Overnight Field Trip was made by Mr. Kelvin Bouie. The second motion was given by Mr. Winston Rollins. The motion was carried unanimously.
2. The recommendation to approve the second reading of GARH was made by Mr. Kelvin Bouie and a second motion was made by Mr. Eric Worthington. The motion was carried unanimously.
3. The recommendation of the second reading of the Teacher Evaluation Appeals Policy GBIA was made by Mr. Kelvin Bouie. Mr. Winston Rollins made the second motion and the motion was carried unanimously.
4. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a recommendation to approve the Capital Outlay Project. A second motion was provided by Mr. Eric Worthington and the motion was unanimously approved.
5. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a motion to approve the Elevate K12 Agreement. Mr. Winston Rollins made a second motion and the motion was carried unanimously.
6. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a motion for the approval of the Property Surplus. The motion was seconded by Mr. Eric Worthington and all voted unanimously for the approval.

7. A motion to approve the Millage Rate FY22 was made by Mr. Kelvin Bouie Mr. Eric Worthington seconded the motion and all approved the millage rate FY22 unanimously.
8. A motion to approve the CTAE Perkins Grant was made by Mr. Winston Rollins. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a second motion and all were in favor of the approval of the CTAE Perkins Grant.
9. A motion was made by Mr. Kelvin Bouie to approve the Classroom Size Resolution. Mr. Eric Worthington seconded the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.
10. Mr. Kelvin Bouie made a recommendation to approve the personnel packet. A second motion was made by Mr. Winston Rollins. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Lyle requested the meeting adjourn with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Keith Lyle, Chairman of Board

Tim Cochran, School Superintendent