

The Dale County Board of Education met in Regular Session Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the Dale County Government Building. Dale Sutton, Board President, presided over the meeting with members Jerald Cook, Shannon Deloney, Priscilla McKnight, Phillip Parker, Attorney William W. Nichols, and Superintendent Ben Baker present.

1 Invocation

Superintendent Baker opened the meeting with prayer.

2 Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent Baker led the pledge of allegiance.

3 The meeting was called to order by President Dale Sutton.

4 Approval of Agenda

Motion – Priscilla McKnight, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

5 Approval of Minutes

a. April Board Meeting – April 11, 2023

b. Special Called Board Meeting – April 25, 2023

Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

6 Visitors

No visitors were present.

No action required.

7 Approval of Bills and Accounts

Superintendent Baker recommended that all bills and accounts be paid.

Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

8 Financial Statement/Bank Reconciliations

Superintendent Baker presented the most recent financial statements to the Board with all bank accounts reconciled through March 2023.

No action required

9 Financial

a. Stage Lighting System Bid – SDMS

The following Stage Lighting bid was received on or before May 8, 2023:

All Pro Integrated System – \$19,923.00

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve All Pro Integrated System to complete the Stage Lighting System for SDMS.

Motion – Priscilla McKnight, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.

b. Historical Marker – Joint Purchase with the Town of Ariton

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve joint purchase (in the amount of \$3,568.59) of Historical Marker with the Town of Ariton.

Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

c. Parking Lot Bid for Bridge Academy

The following parking lot bids were received on or before May 8, 2023:

Wiregrass Construction – \$69,325.00

Lewis Incorporated – \$88,235.00

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve Wiregrass Construction to complete the Bridge Academy Parking Lot Project.

Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.

d. Certificate of Deposit – Synovus Bank

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve moving funds in the amount of \$2,500,000.00 from Synovus Bank General Fund Balance account to a certificate of deposit with Synovus Bank at the current rate of 4.25% for a 12 month term.

Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Priscilla McKnight, carried.

Financial (cont.)

e. Accountability Notification

NES Donation of \$1500.00 from the Lewis Waste Disposal Services, Inc. for Teacher Appreciation.

No action required.

10 Field Trip Requests

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the following field trips:

- a. DCHS Athlete Fan Bus– Regional Tournament, Gulf Shores, AL, May 11-12,2023

Motion – Priscilla McKnight, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

11 Personnel 2022-2023/Personnel 2023-2024

The Superintendent recommended the following personnel pending certification and background requirements by the State Department of Education.

Personnel 2022-2023

Non Certified

Sub

- 1 – Ginger Medina Peacock, Substitute Teacher
- 2 – Delores Faniel Porter, Substitute Teacher
- 3 – Lacie Stinson, Substitute Teacher
- 4 – Ryan Mitchell Oliver, Substitute Bus Driver
- 5 – Jonathan Russell Smith, Substitute Bus Driver
- 6 – Robert William Walker, Jr, Substitute Bus Driver

Resign

- 7 – Sheila Kissinger, Custodian, (Bridge Academy)

Personnel 2023-2023

Non Certified

Non-Renewals

- 8 – Lori Ann Smith, Bus Driver

Personnel 2023-2023 (cont.)

Non Certified

Employ

- 9 – Caroline Hall, Paraprofessional Aide, (MCES)
- 10 – Victoria Houser, Bookkeeper/Secretary, (SDMS)
- 11 – Sealia Raley, 4 hr. CNP Worker, (SDMS)
- 12 – Judy Cordes, 7 hr. CNP Worker, (DCHS)
- 13 – Georgene Peel, Custodian, (Bridge Academy)
- 14 – Ryan Mitchell Oliver, Bus Driver
- 15 – Jonathan Russell Smith, Bus Driver
- 16 – Sandra J. Woodham, Bus Driver

Certified

Non-Renewals

- 17 – Holly Dippold, Teacher, (SDMS)
- 18 – Logan Dunlap, Teacher, (Ariton)

Employ

- 19 – Allie Singleton, Teacher, (Ariton)
- 20 – Kaydra Walker, Teacher, (Ariton)
- 21 – Mary Claire Willis, Art Teacher, (Ariton/LES/LHS)
- 22 – Jana Robinette, Speech Teacher, (Ariton)

Advanced TEAMS Contract Teachers (3 year contract)

- 23 – Samantha Tucker, Math Teacher, (SDMS)
- 24 – Hannah King, Science Teacher, (Ariton)

Preliminary TEAMS Contract Teachers

- 25 – Leigh Ann Dockery, Science Teacher, (DCHS)

Maternity Leave

- 26 – Kelley Thierfelder, Teacher, (DCHS)
expected dates for leave July 31, 2023 through August 6, 2023

- 27 – Jerome Bellamy, replacement for Kelly Thierfelder, Teacher, (DCHS)
expected dates for leave July 31, 2023 through August 6, 2023

- 28 – Madison Rippey, Teacher, (DCHS)
expected dates for leave September 22, 2023 through December 15, 2023

- 29 – Kristen Bigbie, replacement for Madison Rippey, Teacher, (DCHS)
expected dates for leave September 22, 2023 through December 15, 2023

Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

12 Accreditation Engagement Review

The Superintendent presented the Accreditation Engagement Review for Board Members. No action taken.

13 Code of Conduct Adoption for 2023-2024

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve Code of Conduct Adoption for 2023-2024 as presented.

Motion – Priscilla McKnight, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.

14 Nominations for County Board Equalization

The Superintendent requested the Board nominate three persons for consideration as members of the County Board of Equalization.

The following persons were nominated:

Lee Hughes
Lance McSween
David Glaze

Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.

15 Adjourn

With no other business, President Sutton adjourned the meeting.



President



Secretary