

The Dale County Board of Education met in Special Session Tuesday, July 29, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the Dale County Government Building. Shannon Deloney, Board President, presided over the meeting with members Jerald Cook, Priscilla McKnight, Phillip Parker, and Superintendent Ben Baker present.

1 The meeting was called to order by President Shannon Deloney.

2 Approval of Agenda

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

3 Visitors

No visitors were present.

4 Personnel 2025-2026

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

Personnel 2025-2026

Certified

Maternity Leave

1 – Chelsey McDonald, Teacher, (LHS)
expected dates for leave December 1, 2025 – February 9, 2026

2 – Cindy Preston, replacement for Chelsey McDonald
expected dates for leave December 1, 2025 – February 9, 2026

Contract Title I Teacher

3 – Cindy Preston, Intervention Teacher, (LHS)
4 – Vickie Cochran, Intervention Teacher, (MCES)

Non-Certified

Employ

5 – Chester Atwell, Utility Bus Driver, (District)
6 – Tommy Whitaker, Utility Bus Driver, (District)
7 – Jill Cordes, Paraprofessional Aide, (Special Education)

Personnel 2025-2026 (Cont.)

Non-Certified

Maternity Leave

8 – Brenda Steed, replacement for Rebecca Hyde
expected dates for leave August 25, 2025 – October 17, 2025

Subs

9 – Alan Thrasher, Substitute Teacher
10 – Brandy Hughes, Substitute Teacher

Non Staff Coach (Supplemented)

11 – Ian Senn, Supplemented Coach, (Ariton)

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

5 Board Policy Adoption – On The Job Injury Leave

Superintendent Baker recommended that the Board approve the adoption of the new On The Job Injury Leave policy recommended by the Alabama Association of School Boards to replace our current policy 5.10.4, to be consistent with the requirements of Alabama Law.

6 Other

With no other business, President Deloney adjourned the meeting.



President



Secretary