

Board Meeting Summary  
April 13, 2026

The Board of Education met for the regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 13, 2026. The meeting was held in the Board Room of the Board of Education office located at 239 Simmons Street, Trion, Georgia.

Present for the meeting were: Dr. Howard Hughes Superintendent, Randy Henderson Chair, Members Darriel Broome, Johnny Brimer, and Laura Chesley. Casey Adams and Mandy Taylor were also present for the meeting.

New Business

- Board members received and approved the ESPLOST and system financial reports.
- Board members reviewed and approved supplement and budget adjustments.
- The board approved Administrator Beth Pelham for the 2026-2027 school year.
- The board received faculty recommendations for the 2026/2027 school year. The recommendations were as follows:

Elementary: Melissa Chamlee, Ashleigh Skelton, Kayla Willingham, Andria Queen, Jessica Aycock, Jessica Baker, Mandy Stanfield, Jessica Adams, Whitney Nix, Jennifer Gravely, Kasey Ramsey, Tara Spraggins, Carolina Wright, Jessie Human, Amber Goodridge, Mary Hampton, Tristan Hughes, Callie Helms, Morgan Nixon, Kelly Railey, Kim Payton, Hannah Pledger, Mollie Stamey, Kirsten Brown, Amanda Coley, Cheryl Blair, Devan Heyer, Alice Nixon, Amy Stivers, Christy Bowman, Cheryl Lanham, Tina Lee, Adam Cordell, Trish Wofford, Kayla Jennings, Rayven Davenport, Haley Smith, DeNeale Elrod, Megan Ray, Ansley Bowman, Stephanie Blackmon, Christy Brown, Staci Corbin (49%), Gina Crabtree (49%), Rhonda Williams (49%), and Jori Day (49%).

Middle: Becky Allen, Dusty Brown, Joey Canada, Sharon Chisenall, Selena Conley, Kimberly Connell, Rebecca Cooper, Ashley Henry, Tashia Knapp, Madicyn Morrisette, Casey Payne, Chelsea Roach, Ashley Sanford, Jennifer Skelton, Sierra Smith, Matt Swanson, Marcia Thompson (49%), Leslie Tucker, and Hagen Willingham, and Jarod Willingham.

High: Morgan Reynolds Allen, Merri Blankenship, Matt Brooks, Joey Browning, Laura Bryant, John Cornett, Beth Deparlier (49%), Erika Dover, Rachel Edge, Sean Hage, Shelia Johnson, Jason Lanham, Gena McCauley, Megan Mills, Thomas Moore, Leah Odam, Kayce Patrick, Sean Patrick, Connie Payne (49%),

Chandler Pettyjohn, Jacob Sanders, Cody Simpson, Josh Smith, Kellee Stamey, Trent Stamey, Liz Wells, Kelbie Williams, and Karlie Worley.

- The Board members approved the first reading of revisions to the following policies: **IFBG (Internet Acceptable Use Policy, including SB 351 update)**, **BCBI (Public Participation in Board Meetings)**, and **JB (Attendance)**.

#### Other Business

Student Enrollment report was submitted as an information item. As of March 30, 2026, the student population is reported at 1,242 with breakdown as follows: TES - 634; TMS - 262; THS – 346.

The board received the Bulldog Athletic Club financial report as an information item. The BAC reports \$17,157.06 as the closing balance. The band booster club reports a balance of \$20,549.34 with \$7,841.44 in savings.

#### Superintendent Report

Dr. Hughes informed board members of an approved fund raising project. The high school cheerleaders will be selling ads for the Fall Sports Program.

Dr. Hughes updated the Board on current projects and future plans for the weight room relocation.

#### Personnel

The following personnel recommendations were submitted and approved:

##### Certified Recommendations:

Elizabeth Williams – TCS Social Worker  
Lexi Fountain – TCS Teacher  
Alex Deberry – TCS Teacher  
Cara Boyd – TCS Teacher  
TC Boyd – TCS Teacher  
Laneston Hughes – TCS Teacher

##### Classified Recommendations:

Angel Burke – Pre-K Paraprofessional  
Macy Wilson – Elementary Paraprofessional  
Brittany Meadows – Student Support Services Paraprofessional

##### Certified Retirement:

Alan Shepherd – Elementary Teacher

##### Classified Retirement:

Diane Bryant – Financial Director

Substitute Employee:

Brianna Spraggins – Teacher

*Disclaimer - All offers of employment are contingent on criminal history report and appropriate PSC certification.*

The next board meeting will be held Monday, May 11, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the board room.