

PICKENS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
377 Ladow Center Circle
Carrollton, AL 35447
Monday, January 6, 2025
6:00 p.m.
Central Office

The Pickens County Board of Education met on Monday, January 6, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Pickens County Board of Education. Board members Gene Dawkins, Annie Jackson, Frankie Spencer, Sam Wiggins, and Susan Estes, along with Board Attorney Representative Kip Powe were in attendance. Superintendent Shawn McDaniel conducted the meeting. Other board employee participants were Associate Superintendent Chan Mullenix, Elementary Curriculum and Instruction Specialist Kim Clark, and Executive Secretary Allie Wilson.

CALLED BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order and Open Meeting (Board Chairperson)

1. Regular Business

A. Approve Agenda: On a motion by Annie Jackson and seconded by Frankie Spencer, board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to amend the agenda to add a letter E under "Other Business": Rescind vote on selling truck

2. Community Groups: None

3. Reports: None

-Board Chair Sam Wiggins announced that the previous superintendent no longer wanted to purchase the board vehicle, which led to the addition to rescind the vote on selling the truck.

4. Other Business

A. Mileage Reimbursement Rate 2025: On a motion by Frankie Spencer and seconded by Gene Dawkins, the board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to change the mileage reimbursement from .67¢ to .70¢ as per the state department's guidance.

B. Superintendent's Contract and Salary: Board member Gene Dawkins made the recommendation to pay the new Superintendent a salary of \$165,000 per year. The motion died for lack of a second. Board member Frankie Spencer made the motion to pay the new Superintendent a salary of \$160,000 per year. Board member Annie Jackson seconded the motion. Frankie Spencer, Annie Jackson and Susan Estes voted to approve the \$160,000 salary. Board members Sam Wiggins and Gene Dawkins opposed.

C. Interim Principal and Interim Associate Superintendent Salary Schedule: On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by Susan Estes, the board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept the salary schedules as presented, with the interim pay scale to be based on the regular salary schedule.

D. Personnel: Board member Gene Dawkins made the motion to accept the personnel as presented by the Superintendent, there being no second, the motion died. At the

request of a board member, personnel recommendations were made individually. Gene Dawkins made the motion to approve the employment of Carleigh Cameron, there being no second, the motion died. On a motion by Susan Estes and seconded by Gene Dawkins, the board unanimously approved Tracy Tolstick as GES Interim Assistant Principal. On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by Annie Jackson, the board unanimously approved the contract employment for Robert Wilder. No further personnel recommendations were made.

Personnel Recommendations

CERTIFIED: EMPLOYMENT

Carleigh Cameron	GES Teacher to GHS Math Teacher: Effective 1/6/25
Tracy Tolstick	GES Reading Coach to GES Interim Assistant Principal: Effective 1/6/25
Katelyn Bowles	P4C Aide to GES Aide: Effective 1/6/25

CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT

Robert Wilder	Contract to fill in for Jason Miller: Effective 1/6/25 – 2/28/25 as needed: \$30 per hour
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- E. Rescinding Vote on Selling of Truck:** On a motion by Annie Jackson and seconded by Gene Dawkins, the board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to rescind the previous vote to sell the board truck to the previous superintendent.
- 5. Executive Session:** Board Attorney Representative, Kip Powe certified the need to go into executive session. On a motion of Gene Dawkins and seconded by Annie Jackson, the board convened into executive session at 6:05 p.m. and reconvened at 8:06 p.m.
- A. Personnel:** See Above
- B. Legal Matters:** NONE
- 6. Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on January 15, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at Pickens County High School.