

**MINUTES**  
***Board Meeting***  
**May 24, 2021**

The **board meeting** of the Tattnall County Board of Education was held on **May 24, 2021, 1:00 P.M.** The meeting was **called to order** with a **welcome** by Chairman Richard Bland, **prayer** by Ronnie Oliver and **pledge** to the Flag led by Mary Ruth Ray.

**Those board members present were:**

Richard Bland  
Ronnie Oliver  
Stephanie Thomas  
Mary Ruth Ray  
Dale Kicklighter

**The board Superintendent present was:**

Dr. Gina G. Williams

**System staff members present were:**

Donna Bland, Carla Waters, Kristen Waters, Tina Debevec, Lakisha Bobbitt, Tisha Holland, David Tucker, Kelly Usry, Sasha Quarles, Nicole Balkcom, Julie Edwards, Donny Sikes, Starla Barker, Jennifer Brown, Amanda Folsom, Neil DeLoach, Tyrone Griffin, Hope Oliver, Lynna Hilliard, Frances Byrd, Diane Rawls, Janet Bussell, Allen Yancey, Robin Kirkland, Marika Crews, Angie Edwards, Cindy Palma, Debbie Powell, Trey Kirkland, Leigha Kirkley, Marcy Stewart, Jennifer Carlson, Lisa Burkhalter, Audrey Edwards, Sheila Kennedy, Dina DeLoach, Tabitha Smith, Madison McArthur, De'Anne Durham, Karla Collins, Teresa Epperson and Julie Todd

**Visitors present were:**

Pam Waters, *Journal-Sentinel*, Brenda Haire, Jena Brown, Jinny Haire, Stephen Brown, Judy Page, Ronald Page, Alex Winkler, Marlee McArthur, Paul Oliver, LaNell Oliver, Desiree Kennedy

**On Motion of Stephanie Thomas, and seconded by Ronnie Oliver, the board unanimously adopted the agenda for May 24, 2021.**

**Received presentations/requests from visitors/others:**

(To assure that the board can conduct its business efficiently, all presentations should be brief and shall be limited, not to exceed five [5] minutes, unless an extension of time is granted. All personnel/student and real estate matters may be discussed in executive session.

- **Recognized 12<sup>th</sup> District Congressional Winners of Stock Market Challenge:**  
**Alex Winkler and Jordyn English**
  
- **Recognized GA DOE Award of Excellence recipient:**  
**James Walden**
  
- **Recognized FFA winners:**  
**Paul Oliver: State Proficiency in Swine Entrepreneurship**  
**Zach Collins: State FFA Degree**  
**Desiree Kennedy: State FFA Degree**

- **Recognized Youth Apprenticeship Completer of the Year:**  
Madison McArthur
- **Recognized 2020 Vision District:**  
Robin Waters
- **Recognized 2023 Tattnall County Teachers of the Year**  
  - **CES:** Jennifer Brown (System Winner)
  - **RES:** Amanda Folsom
  - **NTMS:** Marcy Stewart
  - **GES:** Julie Todd
  - **STMS:** De'Anne Durham
  - **TCHS:** Janet Bussell
- **Recognized Retirees:**

Jeannie Burkhalter	Sheila Kennedy
Lisa Burkhalter	Robin Kirkland
Angela Edwards	Shirlene Smith
Teresa Epperson	Tabitha Smith
Diane Rawls	Andrea McIntosh
Allen Yancey	Karla Collins
Billy Collins	

**II. ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

**A. Received reports from Superintendent.**

**1. Superintendent reported:**

- a. Upon recommendation of Dr. Gina G. Williams, Superintendent, motioned by Mary Ruth Ray and seconded by Dale Kicklighter, it was unanimous to approve Truck purchase from Reidsville Housing Authority.
- b. Upon recommendation of Dr. Gina G. Williams, Superintendent, motioned by Stephanie Thomas and seconded by Ronnie Oliver, it was unanimous to approve PA System proposal from Southeastern Technology.
- c. Upon recommendation of Dr. Gina G. Williams, Superintendent, motioned by Dale Kicklighter and seconded by Mary Ruth Ray, it was unanimous to approve Modular Buildings proposal from Vanguard Modular.
- d. Upon recommendation of Dr. Gina G. Williams, Superintendent, motioned by Stephanie Thomas and seconded by Mary Ruth Ray, it was unanimous to approve GPS/Bus camera system proposal from REI.
- e. Upon recommendation of Dr. Gina G. Williams, Superintendent, motioned by Mary Ruth Ray and seconded by Ronnie Oliver, it was unanimous to approve bank bid to South Georgia Bank.

**III. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS**

On motion of Dale Kicklighter and seconded by Stephanie Thomas, the board approved the consent agenda as presented for the May 24, 2021, meeting.

**A. Approved Minutes**

Regular board meeting for Monday, April 26, 2021, 1:00 p.m.

**B. Employed certified personnel: (Effective 2021-2022)**

(Employment is temporary/provisional until the receipt of a criminal records check/fingerprints and Georgia Teacher Certification).

**Brandy Donnan, Teacher**

**Carlee McLeod, Teacher**

**Joey Kennedy, Teacher**

**Crystal Caraway, Teacher**

**Allison Parr, Teacher**

**Chrystal Hines, Teacher**

**Charlton “Chaz” Kicklighter, Teacher**

**Claudia Martinez, Teacher (pending release of contract)**

**Carlton Milton, Teacher (pending release of contract)**

**Alexa Ortiz, Teacher**

**Jenna Cowart, Teacher**

**Starla Barker, Technology Director**

**Tisha Holland, Federal Programs Director**

**Christine Jenkins, Principal**

**Lisa Tyler, Asst. Principal**

**C. Employed non-certified personnel:**

**Kristen Chancey, Parapro (Effective 2021-2022)**

**Tiffany Jordan, Parapro (Effective 2021-2022)**

**D. Approved release from 2021-2022 contract**

**Teresa Mosley (49%), Teacher (Resignation, effective June 7, 2021)**

**Matthew Swain, Teacher, (Resignation, effective June 7, 2021)**

**E. Accepted April 2021, expenditures**

**F. Approved summer school staff (see attached)**

**G. Approved Transportation surplus (buses):**

**100 - 1GBM7T1C8YJ500909**

**102 - 1HVBRAAN92B920306**

**199 - 1GBM7T1C8XJ103392**

**699 - 4UZ6CJAA4XCA65178**

**407 - 4DRBUAAN67B493030**

**IV. Motioned by Mary Ruth Ray, the board adjourned at 2:12 p.m.**

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Vice Chair \_\_\_\_\_

Board Member \_\_\_\_\_

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Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved: June 28, 2021**