

The Dale County Board of Education met in Regular Session Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 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, Dale Sutton, 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 Shannon Deloney.

4 Approval of Agenda

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

5 Approval of Minutes

a. April Board Meeting – April 9, 2024

b. Special Called Board Meeting – May 2, 2024

Motion – Priscilla McKnight, Second – Dale Sutton, carried.

6 Visitors – Ariton, LHS, & DCHS Valedictorians, Salutatorians, and Principals  
ACT Honor Students

Superintendent Baker presented Certificates to Ariton, LHS, & DCHS Valedictorians and Salutatorians. Superintendent Baker also presented Certificates to all ACT Honor Students.

7 Field Trip Requests

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the following field trips:

a. AHS, AG Expo, Moultrie, GA October 16, 2024

b. AHS, National FFA Convention & Expo, Indianapolis, IN, October 21-26, 2024

c. DCHS, AG Expo, Moultrie, GA October 15, 2024

d. DCHS, National FFA Convention & Expo, Indianapolis, IN, October 22-26, 2024

e. LHS, AG Expo, Moultrie, GA, October 16, 2024

Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Dale Sutton, carried.

8 Approval of Bills and Accounts

Superintendent Baker recommended that all bills and accounts be paid.

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

9 Financial Statement/Bank Reconciliations

Superintendent Baker presented the most recent financial statements to the Board with all bank accounts reconciled through March 2024.

No action required.

10 Financial

a. AHS, DCHS, & LHS FFA National Convention Donations

Superintendent Baker recommended that the Board approve a \$1,000.00 donation to each FFA Chapter to assist in the funding of the National FFA Convention.

Motion – Priscilla McKnight, Second – Dale Sutton, carried.

b. i-Ready Purchase

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the i-Ready purchase in the amount of \$141,985.00.

Motion – Dale Sutton, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

c. CNP Milk & Bread Bids

The following CNP bids were received on or before May 1, 2024:

Bedsole Milk – \$169,332.50

Flowers Bakery – \$41,495.00

Superintendent Baker recommended the Board approve CNP bids be awarded to Bedsole Milk and Flowers Bakery.

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

d. Accountability Notifications

MCES Donation of \$1000.00 from Alabama Power to be used for Literacy Learning Tools

SDMS FFA Donation of \$1800.00 from Ft. Novosel

No action required.

11 Personnel 2023-2024/Personnel 2024-2025

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

**Personnel 2023-2024**

**Non Certified**

Extended Medical Leave

1 – Nancy Tew, CNP Worker, (Ariton)  
expected dates for leave April 1, 2024 through May 24, 2024

Transfer

2 – Janice Baxter, CNP Worker, (Ariton) transfer from 7 hour CNP worker  
to 8 hour CNP worker effective May 1, 2024

3 – Judy Cordes, CNP Worker, (DCHS) transfer from 7 hour CNP worker  
to 8 hour CNP worker effective May 1, 2024

4 – Barbara Woodall, CNP Worker, (MCES) transfer from 7 hour CNP worker  
to 8 hour CNP worker effective May 1, 2024

5 – Alejandrina Register, CNP Worker, (SDMS) transfer from 7 hour CNP worker  
to 8 hour CNP worker effective May 1, 2024

6 – Amanda Lynn, CNP Worker, (SDMS) transfer from 7 hour CNP worker  
to 8 hour CNP worker effective May 1, 2024

Employ

7 – Gene Lowery, Maintenance Foreman, (District)

**Certified**

Extended Medical Leave

8 – Caroline Glover, Teacher, (MCES)  
expected dates for leave April 15, 2024 through May 3, 2024

Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Dale Sutton, carried.

**Personnel 2024-2025 (cont.)**

**Non Certified**

Retire

- 9 – Linda Fain, CNP Worker, (Ariton)
- 10 – Nancy Tew, CNP Worker, (Ariton)

Employ

- 11 – Whitney Brown, Paraprofessional Aide, (Ariton)
- 12 – Shelia Long, 4-hour CNP Worker, (MCES)
- 13 – Kandis Carr, 6-hour CNP Worker, (Ariton)
- 14 – Kelly Langford, 6-hour CNP Worker, (Ariton)
- 15 – Kristi Bell, Paraprofessional Aide, (DCHS)
- 16 – Mae McCray, Custodian, (DCHS)
- 17 – Rebecca Wells Hyde, Secretary, (LHS)
- 18 – Kasey Gunter, Paraprofessional Aide, (LHS)
- 19 – Alicia Masters, School Nurse, LPN, (MCES)
- 20 – Lori Barefield, Paraprofessional Aide, (MCES)
- 21 – Delores German, Secretary, (SDMS)

Motion – Dale Sutton, Second – Priscilla McKnight, carried.

**Certified**

Non-Renewal

- 22 – Tina Richards, Teacher, (DCHS)
- 23 – James Wise, Teacher, (LHS)
- 24 – April Jones, Reading Coach, (NES)
- 25 – Allison Brackett, Teacher, (SDMS)
- 26 – Keith Cooper, Teacher, (SDMS)
- 27 – Jamie Teal, Teacher, (SDMS)

Retire

- 28 – Julie Whatley, Teacher, (LES)
- 29 – Glenda Newton, Teacher, (MCES)
- 30 – Chris Mitten, Central Office Director

Resign

- 31 – Jackson Kilcrease, Teacher, (Ariton)
- 32 – Quincy McKay, Teacher, (DCHS)
- 33 – Tiara Agee, Teacher, (SDMS)

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

**Certified**

Transfer

- 34 – Heather Smith, Elementary Teacher, (Ariton) transfer to Middle School Science Teacher, (Ariton)
- 35 – Mason Stevens, PE Teacher, (LES) & (LHS) transfer to PE Teacher, (LES)
- 36 – Amy Hardy, Teacher, (MCES) transfer to Teacher, (SDMS)

Employ

- 37 – Sherri Evans, Business Education Teacher, (Ariton)
- 38 – Ansley Godwin, EL Teacher, (Ariton)
- 39 – Cameron Horne, Teacher, (DCHS)
- 40 – Abby Kate Chancey, Teacher, (LES)
- 41 – Jerry Ryan Butterworth, Teacher, (LHS)
- 42 – John Daniel Outlaw, Teacher, (LHS)
- 43 – Brandy Hartzog, Teacher, (MCES)
- 44 – Gracie Herbold, Teacher, (MCES)
- 45 – Casey Daughtry, Teacher, (SDMS)
- 46 – Troy Hicks, Teacher, (SDMS)
- 47 – Hillary Sumblin, Teacher, (NES)
- 48 – Michael Hutto, Assistant Principal, (Bridge Academy)

Advanced TEAMS Contract Teachers (3 year contract)

- 49 – Lori Burg, Math Teacher, (Ariton)
- 50 – Chelsey McDonald, Math Teacher, (LHS)
- 51 – Morgan Long Prestegard, Math Teacher, (LHS)
- 52 – Jesse Sam Davis, Science Teacher, (SDMS)

Maternity Leave

- 53 – Samantha Tucker, Teacher, (SDMS)  
expected dates for leave August 1, 2024 through September 18, 2024
  
- 54 – Kristin Bigbie, Certified Teacher, replacement for Samantha Tucker  
expected dates for leave August 1, 2024 through September 18, 2024
  
- 55 – Morgan Prestegard, Teacher, (LHS)  
expected dates for leave August 30, 2024 through mid-October 2024
  
- 56 – Sue Brown, Certified Teacher, replacement for Morgan Prestegard  
expected dates for leave August 30, 2024 through mid-October

Motion – Dale Sutton, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

12 Chief School Finance Officer Action – Special Recommendation

Special Recommendation was made by the Board to employ Mrs. Vivian Miller as Chief School Finance Officer for the Dale County Board of Education effective on or before June 1, 2024. Mr. Baker recommended the Board Attorney Nichols draft a contract to offer a base salary of \$129,000 with the terms. President Deloney gives consent for Mr. Baker to contact Mrs. Miller and offer terms for a 5 year contract with discussed terms.

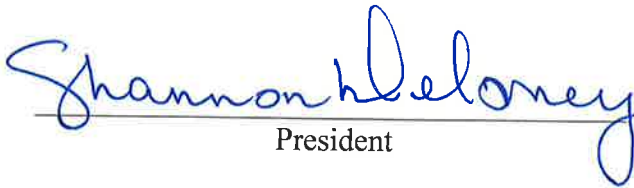
Motion – Phillip Parker , Second – Priscilla McKnight, carried.

13 Other

With no other business, President Deloney adjourned the meeting.



Secretary



President