

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BLEDSOE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 3, 2025

The Bledsoe County Board of Education met in regular session on February 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Bledsoe County Middle School. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Andy Billingsley with six members present and one absent

Roll Call:	Mr. Andy Billingsley	-	Present
	Mr. Tim Churches	-	Present
	Mr. Jacob Frady	-	Present
	Mrs. Carolyn Oakes	-	Present
	Mr. Steve Perry	-	Present
	Mr. Charles(Bron) Reece	-	Absent Joined at 6:08 p.m.
	Mr. Don Snow	-	Present

1. Approval of the Agenda with the following additions:
13a. Request by Mr. Dewayne Tabor, Mr. Jason Reel and Mr. Matt Ridley for the approval for the high school's football team to attend the FCA Camp July 8-10, 2025 in Cookeville, TN. This is the same camp that the football team attended last year.
13b. Discussion of a budget committee.
13c. Review of the Crisis plan.
MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mrs. Oakes
VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: AYE Mr. Churches: AYE Mr. Frady: AYE
 Mrs. Oakes: AYE Mr. Perry: AYE Mr. Reece: ABSENT Mr. Snow: AYE
2. Discussion and or approval of annual agenda. Tabled
3. Approval of the minutes from the January 14, 2025 regular meeting of the Bledsoe County Board of Education.
MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mr. Billingsley
VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: AYE Mr. Churches: AYE Mr. Frady: AYE
 Mrs. Oakes: AYE Mr. Perry: AYE Mr. Reece: ABSENT Mr. Snow: AYE
4. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, to approve monthly financial reports for the month ending December 31, 2024.
MOTION: Mr. Snow SECOND: Mr. Frady
VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES
 Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: ABSENT Mr. Snow: YES
5. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, to approve quarterly financial reports for the quarter ending December 31, 2024.
MOTION: Mr. Churches SECOND: Mr. Perry
VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES
 Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES
6. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, to approve budget amendments.
MOTION: Mr. Churches SECOND: Mr. Perry

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VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES
Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

7. Request by Mrs. Michelle Rains, Nurse Supervisor, for the approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Ocoee Regional Health Corporation for telehealth services.

Mr. Bill Moates, CEO of Ocoee Regional Health Corporation, addressed the Board regarding telehealth services that will be provided by this agreement to students and staff of Bledsoe County Schools. Students insurance will not be billed for services.

Parent permission form will be revised to reflect that students insurance will not be billed for services

MOTION: Mr. Frady SECOND: Mrs. Oakes

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES
Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

8. Directors Update. Tabled

9. Request by Bledsoe Quarter Back Club for permission to construct a deck on the other side of the press box. This will match the existing deck. This will be on the North Side of the press box

MOTION: Mr. Churches SECOND: Mr. Billingsley

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES
Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

10. Request by Mr. Steve Reel, CTE Director, for approval for overnight trips to attend the CTSO State Conference for DECA, FFA and SkillsUSA on the following dates:

DECA – February 25-28, 2025

FFA – March 23-26, 2025

SkillsUSA-April 13-16, 2025

Mr. Churches disclosed that he had a student that will be participating in these activities

MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mrs. Oakes

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES
Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

11. Mr. Matt Ridley, Principal Bledsoe County High School, to give a presentation on ACT Improvement plan. Mr. Ridley presented to the Board pertaining to the ACT test preparations and strategies being used at Bledsoe County High School to improve ACT scores for students.

12. Old Business- No Old Business

13. New Business.

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and will need a bus for transportation.

MOTION: Mr. Frady SECOND: Mr. Perry

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES

 Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

13b. Discussion of budget committee.

Discussion on this was whether to set up a budget committee or to have additional Board meetings to discuss the budget.

There will be additional Board meetings to discuss the Bledsoe County Schools budget for the 2025-2026 school year.

13c. Review of the Crisis plan.

Mr. Mark Oxner, Safety Coordinator, will present the Crisis Plan to the Board in April to be discussed in Executive Session.

Meeting	Date	Time	Place
Regular Meeting	03/03/2025	6:00 p.m.	Bledsoe County Middle School

14. Adjourn.

MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mr. Reece

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: AYE Mr. Churches: AYE Mr. Frady: AYE

 Mrs. Oakes: AYE Mr. Perry: AYE Mr. Reece: AYE Mr. Snow: AYE