

PICKENS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

377 Ladow Center Circle

Carrollton, AL 35447

August 22, 2023

9:00 AM

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Pickens County Board of Education met on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 9:00 AM at the Pickens County Board of Education. Board members John Brandon, Gene Dawkins, Annie Jackson, Frankie Spencer, and Sam Wiggins were in attendance. Superintendent Jamie Chapman conducted the meeting. Other participants were Administrator of ESSER and Instructional Technology Chan Mullenix, Associate Superintendent Vanessa D. Anthony, and CSFO Jennifer Shirley.

Call to Order and Open Meeting (Board Chairperson)

1. Regular Business

- A. Approve Agenda:** On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by Sam Wiggins, the Board unanimously approved the agenda.
- B. Approve Minutes:** On a motion by Sam Wiggins and seconded by Frankie Spencer, the Board unanimously approved the July 10, 2023 minutes.
- C. Executive Session:** Superintendent Chapman requested to convene into executive session. On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by John Brandon, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation. The Board convened into Executive Session at 9:11AM and reconvened back into regular session at 10:30 AM.
 - A. Community Groups:**
 - a.** A member of the Aliceville area schools PTSO addressed concerns from members of the Parent Teacher Student Organization. Concerns included water issues, AHS field house, communication, and school health services and transportation.
 - b.** A member of the Reform area schools addressed the Board regarding school attendance zones. School attendance zones are developed in conjunction with the United States Department of Justice because the District is under the Lee vs Macon Federal Consent Decree.
 - B. Personnel:** See Below
 - C. Expulsions:** None
 - D. Zone Variance:** Sam Wiggins made the recommendation to approve Zone Variances 28-33. On a motion by Frankie Spencer and seconded by Gene Dawkins the Board unanimously approved the recommendation. Sam Wiggins made the recommendation to approve Majority to Minority Request 5 and to reject Majority to Minority Requests 6 and 7. The recommendation was approved by a vote of 4 to 1. Gene Dawkins opposed the recommendation.
 - E. Legal Matters:** Confidential information was discussed during Executive Session.

2. Reports:

- A. FY23 Budget Amendment:** The FY23 proposed Budget Amendment was presented by CSFO Jennifer Shirley.
- B. FY24 Budget Hearing:** Vice-Chairman Sam Wiggins opened the 1ST Budget Hearing at 11:00 AM. CSFO Jennifer Shirley presented the proposed FY24 Budget. The hearing concluded at 11:52 at which time the Board reconvened into the open board meeting.
- C. School Board Member Academy Achievements:** Board members John Brandon and Gene Dawkins were awarded certificates. Annie Jackson was awarded the yearly plate to be added to an already awarded plaque. Awards were based on participation in Alabama Association of School Boards (AASB) over the past year.

D. Beginning of School Report: Number of ed employees, cleaning up no shows, Reform Area Schools, football and practice. AHS/PCHS will kickoff at 8:00 PM on 8/25. Gordo's game will remain the same.

E. AASB District 7 Meeting: The AASB District 7 meeting will be held at the Hotel Capstone on September 21, 2023 from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

3. Other Business (Board Action Required)

A. FY 23 Budget Amendment: CSFO Shirley presented the FY23 amended budget. On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by John Brandon, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

B. Athletic Supplements (Table): On a motion by Sam Wiggins and seconded by Frankie Spencer, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

C. Payroll: On a motion by John Brandon and seconded by Gene Dawkins, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation to accept the June payroll as presented by CSFO Jennifer Shirley.

D. Financials: CSFO Jennifer Shirley reviewed the July financial statements below. On a motion by John Brandon and seconded by Sam Wiggins, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept the financials as presented.

	July
General Fund	\$3,305,361.60
Bond Proceeds	\$396,357.90
QZAB	\$105,581.91
Capital	\$757,740.85
Capital CD	\$356,825.09
Debt Service Fund	\$1,011,738.69
CNP	\$199,354.91
Federal Programs	\$66,671.10
Local Schools	\$1,027,653.58

E. Personnel Recommendations: On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by John Brandon, the Board unanimously approved the following personnel recommendations:

CERTIFIED: EMPLOYMENT

Josephus Patrick

AES, Teacher, Effective 08/03/2023

Kimberly Logan

RES, Special Education Teacher, Effective 08/23/2023

CERTIFIED: LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE

Kim Dyer

GES, Teacher, Effective 08/02/2023

Linda Evans

GES, Teacher, Effective 08/02/2023

CERTIFIED: MEDICAL LEAVE

Jonathan Pate

GHS, Teacher, Effective 11/08/2023 – 11/16/2023

CERTIFIED: REASSIGNMENT

Joan Hankins

RES, Special Education Teacher to Self-Contained
Special Education Teacher, Effective 08/23/2023

CERTIFIED: RESIGNATION

Nekeda Howard

AES, Teacher, Effective 09/13/2023

CLASSIFIED: EMPLOYMENT

Kimberly Colvin

Transportation, Reform Area Schools, Bus Aide,
Effective 08/09/2023

Rosie Gary

GHS, Instructional Aide, Effective 08/09/2023

CLASSIFIED: RESIGNATION

Meg McCrackin

Transportation, Bus Driver, Effective 08/08/2023

Tony Seals

GHS, Instructional Aide, Effective 08/07/2023

- F. Student Code of Conduct Amendment:** On a motion by John Brandon and seconded by Sam Wiggins, the Board unanimously approved the removal of the Student Dress Code from the Student Code of Conduct.