

**MINUTES**  
***Board Meeting***  
**January 25, 2021**

The **board meeting** of the Tattnall County Board of Education was held on **January 25, 2021, 1:00 P.M.** The meeting was **called to order** with a **welcome** by Chairman, Richard Bland, **prayer** by Mary Ruth Ray and **pledge** to the Flag led by Ronnie Oliver.

**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, Kristen Waters, Carla Waters and Glenn Stewart

**Visitors present were:**

Pam Waters, *Journal-Sentinel*, Mike Parker and Tony Wright

**On Motion of Stephanie Thomas, and seconded by Ronnie Oliver, the board unanimously adopted the agenda for January 25, 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.

- SP Designs – Presentation of new schools

**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 Dale Kicklighter and seconded by Mary Ruth Ray, it was unanimous to approve Bus Control Stop-arm camera agreement.
- b) COVID update.

**2. Chairman reported:**

- a) Upon motion of Mary Ruth Ray and seconded by Stephanie Thomas, it was unanimous to approve the following regular board meeting dates and advertise as required by law: Every fourth Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. at the Board of Education. With the following exception:

November 15, 2021 (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday)

December 13, 2021 (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday)

- b) Upon motion of Stephanie Thomas and seconded by Dale Kicklighter, it was unanimously approved that Ronnie Oliver serve as Vice-Chairperson of the school board in the absence of the Chairman.
- c) Upon motion of Ronnie Oliver and seconded by Mary Ruth Ray, it was unanimous to employ Harben, Hartley & Hawkins, LLP, on an “as-needed” basis for the year 2021.

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

**On motion of Dale Kicklighter and seconded by Stephanie Thomas, the board unanimously approved the consent agenda as presented for the January 25, 2021, meeting.**

**A. Approved Minutes**

**Regular board meeting for Monday, December 14, 2020, 1:00 p.m.**

**B. Employed certified personnel:**

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

**Jocelin Thomas, Teacher**

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

**Crystal Caraway, parapro**

**April Duke, bus monitor**

**D. Accepted resignations and identified personnel leaving the system:**

**Tabitha Smith, Teacher (retirement, effective 7/1/2021)**

**Allen Yancey, Asst. Principal (retirement, effective 7/1/2021)**

**E. Approved Student worker:**

**Spencer Hinson, STMS**

**F. Accepted December, 2020 expenditures.**

**G. Approved surplus:**

**Transportation: 2002 International... Vin#- 1HVBRAAN92B920306 (72 capacity)**

**NTMS: Obsolete technology items (see attached)**

**STMS: textbooks- Mathematics – course 2 – Georgia edition (102 copies)**

**IV. Upon recommendation of Dr. Gina G. Williams, Superintendent, motioned by Stephanie Thomas and seconded by Ronnie Oliver, it was unanimously approved to employ Certified Central Office Administration/Principals:**

**Denna Ansley (49%)**

**Chris Freeman**

**Nicole Balkcom**

**Lynna Hilliard (49%)**

**Starla Barker**

**Tisha Holland**

**Lakisha Bobbitt**

**Gwenda Johnson**

**James Brown (49%)**

**Kristi Kaiser**

**Jeannie Burkhalter**

**Donny Sikes**

**Lisa Burkhalter  
Cari Crews  
Tina Debevec  
Julie Edwards**

**Lisa Trim (49%)  
David Tucker  
Carla Waters (49%)  
Kristen Waters**

**V. Motioned by Mary Ruth Ray, the board adjourned at 1:56 p.m.**

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved: February 22, 2021**