

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION
AUGUST 12, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.

The Webster County Board of Education held its regular session on August 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. Linda Rogers, Donald Brown, Mary Hinman, Jimmie Johnson, and Dr. Dorothy Ingram, Superintendent, were present. Landon Matthews was absent.

Linda Rogers called the regular session to order at 6:00 P.M.

A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors present were welcomed by Linda Rogers

(No Public Participation)

The Board approved the tentative agenda for August 12, 2025 with the exception to add Executive Session to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or to interview applicants for the position of Superintendent. Also to add to the agenda to pay Apex Program 9-12 the amount of \$7,100 from Title IA funds and to approve the WCSPD (Webster County Schools Police Department) Chief/SRO job description. A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

The following Administrative Reports were presented:

- a. Special Education/Dashboard report by Dr. Dorothy Ingram on behalf of Sydney Barfield
- b. Federal Programs/Curriculum/Pre-K-5/Dashboard report by Deidre Sterling
- c. CTAE Report/6-12 Dashboard Report by James McCullough
- d. Superintendent /Principal's Report/Dashboard Report by Dr. Dorothy Ingram

The Board approved the Financial Report for June 2025. A motion was made by Jimmie Johnson and seconded by Donald Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the reconciliation report with Ms Lesley Hill, Finance Director.

The Board approved the July 8, 2025 (6:00 pm) Regular Session Minutes. A motion was made by Mary Hinman and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to enter executive session to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or to interview applicants for the position of Superintendent. A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded Mary Hinman to enter executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to exit executive session with a motion made by Donald Brown and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to pay Apex Program in the amount of \$7,100 for a 9-12 apex learning program 2 year subscription. (Title IA Funds) A motion was made by Jimmie Johnson and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved the WCSPD (Webster County Schools Police Department) Chief of Police / SRO job description. A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

The board approved the Personnel Agenda to (A) Release Becky Lightner from her 2025-2026 contract. Ms Lightner submitted a resignation letter dated July 15, 2025. (B) To pay Charles Riggins \$25 per trip beyond his normal work hours for transporting students to GNETS in Americus, Ga.(paid from local QBE special education funds) A motion by Mary Hinman and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved the Referendum Resolution to enable authorization of Educational Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST) to be placed on the ballot in the November 4, 2025 election. A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to pay Sheridan Construction in the amount of \$199,400.63 (pymt #8) for the renovations and modifications project. (Bond Construction Funds). A motion was made by Jimmie Johnson and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to pay SRJ Architects, Inc in the amount of \$1,966.00 for the renovations and modifications project. (Bond Construction Funds) A motion was made by Mary Hinman and seconded by Donald Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to pay Chattahoochee Flint Resa Ga Tapp Fees for Joseph White in the amount of \$5,500.00. (Title II-A Funds) A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to purchase a two year subscription from Amplify (Includes mClass intervention, Dibels, Boost Reading) in the amount of \$18,070.00 (Title IA Funds) A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to purchase a two year subscription from Progress Learning for High School in the amount of \$7,386.25 (Title IA Funds). A motion was made by Mary Hinman and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to purchase a two year subscription from Progress Learning for Grades 4-8 in the amount of \$9,595.00 (Title IA Funds) A motion was made by Mary Hinman and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved the updated Supplement list for 2025-2026. A motion was made by Jimmie Johnson and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved to use Invision Technologies as a vendor. A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved the letter of support to Edwards Fire Alarm System for Invision Technologies. A motion was made by Mary Hinman and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved the K-12 code of conduct for 2025-2026. A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Current Strategic Plan.

The Board approved to extend the current Strategic to June 30, 2026. A motion was made by Mary Hinman and seconded by Donald Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved the Strategic Plan (Strategy Map) July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2031. A motion was made by Mary Hinman and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board approved early pay dates: November 12, 2025, December 18, 2025, and January 23, 2026. A motion was made by Donald Brown and seconded by Jimmie Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board was presented with the first reading of Internet Acceptable Use Policy - IFBG

The Board was presented with the first reading of the Webster County Schools Police Department Standard Operating Policies and Guidelines Manual.

Dr Ingram Discussed Policy Alerts

Dr Ingram Discussed Unfinished Business

No New Business was discussed.

Dr. Ingram reviewed the announcements with the Board

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m. with a motion by Donald Brown and seconded by Mary Hinman. The motion carried unanimously.

Prepared by: Janet Walls

Approved: September 9, 2025