

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 9, 2021

7:00 PM

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Sumter County Board of Education was called to order by Chairman Rick Barnes with the following other members present: Carolyn Hamilton, Abbas Bivins, Patricia Harris, Vincent Kears, Mr. Jim Reid and Mrs. Sylvia Roland.

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

Prior to the adoption of the agenda, Mr. Kears made a motion to add redistricting discussion and any necessary action to be taken by the Board; second by Mrs. Hamilton; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mrs. Roland to adopt the agenda as amended; second by Mrs. Harris; motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Reid made a motion to approve the consent agenda including minutes of the meeting held on November 11, 2021 and the following overnight field trip requests; second by Mrs. Hamilton; motion carried unanimously.

OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

1. Seventeen students (SCIS Jr. Beta Club) to Atlanta, December 2-3, 2021 to participate in the Junior Beta State Convention. *(verbal consensus was granted 11/30/21)*
2. Ten students (SCHS Girls Basketball Team) to Atlanta, December 26-27, 2021 to compete in a fundraiser basketball game versus Rome High School at the State Farm Arena.
3. Eight students (SCHS DECA) to Atlanta, January 27-29, 2022 to participate in the DECA State Career Development Conference.
4. Five students (SCHS Band) to Troy, Alabama, February 3-5, 2022 to participate in the SEUS Honor Band at Troy University.
5. Twenty-five - 30 students (SCHS DECA) to Atlanta, March 11-12, 2022 for a marketing event with the Atlanta Hawks.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

The Edmentum ExactPath Core Library License was unanimously approved for all schools as recommended by the committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The financial reports for November 2021 along with the following preliminary cash flow report were unanimously approved upon recommendation of the committee:

Preliminary Cash Flow Report

	Citizens Bank General Fund	GA Fund 1 General Fund	GA Fund 1 New HS Construction	Citizens Bank Construction 2015	Regions Bank Sales Tax	Regions Bank 2015 Bond Proceeds
October 31, 2021	\$23,824.33	\$2,525,500.00	\$3,000,000.00	\$176,240.87	\$0.00	\$0.00
Incoming	\$0.00	\$1,250,595.96	\$151.43	\$1,261,096.03	\$0.00	\$0.00
Outgoing	\$7,953.83	\$775,595.96	\$151.43	\$1,270,686.08	\$0.00	\$0.00
November 30, 2021	\$15,870.50	\$3,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00	\$166,650.82	\$0.00	\$0.00

The committee recommended approval the current insurance provider, Denham Edwards & Foshee, for the district's workers' compensation insurance in the amount of \$268,547.00. The recommendation was unanimously approved.

Personnel matters were deferred to discussion in executive session.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The property committee recommended seven school buses to be declared surplus and placed on GovDeals.com for sell; motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Reid made a motion to rescind the mask mandate for Sumter County Schools effective immediately; second by Mrs. Roland. The motion failed on the following vote: two in favor (Mr. Reid & Mrs. Roland); five opposed (Mrs. Bivins, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Harris & Mr. Kearsse).

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mrs. Roland; second by Mrs. Hamilton to approve the Sumter County Board of Education's Norms/Protocols; motion passed, six in favor (Mrs. Roland, Mrs. Hamilton, Ms. Bivins, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Harris & Mr. Kearsse); and one opposed (Mr. Reid).

The School Resource Officer Agreement was tabled until next month.

A motion was made at 7:29 p.m. by Mrs. Roland; second by Mr. Kearsse to go into executive session for the following reasons as read by the chairman: 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; (O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(2) or to discuss or vote to authorize negotiations to purchase dispose of, or lease property; authorize ordering an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate; enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of, or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; or enter into an option to purchase, dispose of or lease real estate subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)). The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 8:15 p.m. by Mr. Kearsse; second by Mrs. Harris to return to open session; motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The following personnel recommendations were unanimously approved as recommended by the committee:

Resignation

Vanessa Byse

Termination

William Arnett

Transfers

Jacqueline Edwards

Kimothy Hadley

Marnie Dutcher

Employments

Tammy Williams

Helen Wilkins

Rosemery Jones

Long Term Substitute
Joan Converse

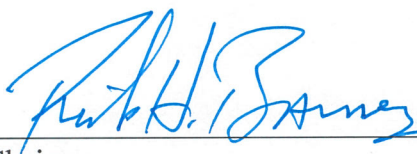
Grounds Supervisor – Change of Employment Status

No action was taken regarding redistricting.

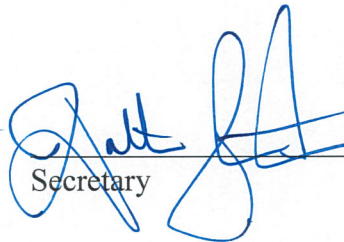
The following overnight field trip request was unanimously approved on a motion made by Mrs. Roland; second by Mr. Kears:

Ten students (SCHS Girls Basketball Team) to Atlanta, December 26-27, 2021 to compete in a fundraiser basketball game versus Rome High School at the State Farm Arena

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Roland; second by Mrs. Harris.



Chairman



Secretary