

The Dale County Board of Education met in Regular Session Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the Dale County Government Building. Dale Sutton, Board President, presided over the meeting with members Jerald Cook, Shannon Deloney, Priscilla McKnight, Phillip Parker, and Superintendent Ben Baker present.

1 Invocation

Superintendent Baker opened the meeting with prayer.

2 Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent Baker led the pledge of allegiance.

3 The meeting was called to order by President Dale Sutton.

4 Approval of Agenda

Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

5 Approval of Minutes – As Amended

a. Regular Board Meeting – June 6, 2023

Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

6 Visitors – Ariton & GW Long Valedictorians, Salutatorians, and Principals

Superintendent Baker presented Certificates to Ariton & GW Long Valedictorians and Salutatorians.

7 Resolution to Honor GW Long Principal, Daniel Barrentine, Principal of the Year

Superintendent Baker presented Resolution to honor Daniel Barrentine.

Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Priscilla McKnight, carried.

8 Field Trip Requests

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the following field trips:

- a. AHS, National FFA Convention & Expo, Indianapolis, IN, Oct. 30 – Nov. 4, 2023
- b. DCHS, National FFA Convention & Expo, Indianapolis, IN, Oct. 30 – Nov. 4, 2023
- c. LHS, National FFA Convention & Expo, Indianapolis, IN, Oct. 30 – Nov. 4, 2023

Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.

9 Approval of Bills and Accounts

Superintendent Baker recommended that all bills and accounts be paid.

Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Priscilla McKnight, carried.

10 Financial Statement/Bank Reconciliations

Superintendent Baker presented the most recent financial statements to the Board with all bank accounts reconciled through May 2023.

No action required

11 Financial

a. AHS, DCHS, & LHS FFA National Convention Donations

Superintendent Baker recommended that the Board approve a \$1,000.00 donation to each FFA Chapter to assist in the funding of the National FFA Convention.

Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

b. Ariton Timber Bid

The following bid was received on or before June 29, 2023:

Southern Timber Company – \$20,400.00

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve bid from Southern Timber Co.

Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

c. Early Implementation of State Pay Raises

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the early implementation of State pay raises effective July 2023.

Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

11 Financial (Cont.)

d. State & Federally Funded Stipend/Special Education Teachers

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve a Stipend of \$1,000.00 for Special Education Teachers. As well as those currently serving but have not yet obtained certification as a special education teacher, gifted teacher, and school psychometrist to be included in this provision.

Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Jerald Cook, carried (3-1).
Phillip Parker, abstained. Priscilla McKnight, opposed.

12 Personnel 2022-2023/Personnel 2023-2024

The Superintendent recommended the following personnel pending certification and background requirements by the State Department of Education.

Personnel 2023-2024

Non-Certified

Employ

1 – Melissa Jernigan, Para-professional, (Bridge Academy)

Resign

2 – Ashley Childers, Bus Driver

3 – Sealia Raley, 4 hr. CNP Worker, (SDMS)

Certified

Maternity Leave

4 – Hannah King, Teacher, (Ariton)

expected dates for leave September 14, 2023 through October 31, 2023

5 – Whitney Brown, At-Risk Aide, (Ariton)

expected dates for leave August 18, 2023 through November 3, 2023

6 – Ciara B. Andrews, Teacher, (Ariton)

expected dates for leave September 29, 2023 through December 18, 2023

Teach During Planning Time

7 – Jen Sanders, (Ariton) 1st & 2nd Semester, Work-Based Learning

8 – Phillip Quincey, (Ariton) 1st & 2nd Semester, PE

9 – Amy Swain, (Ariton) 1st & 2nd Semester, ELA

10 – Bill Enfinger, (LHS) 1st & 2nd Semester, Work-Based Learning

11 – Nikki Long, (LHS) 1st Semester, Math

12 – Jocelyn Stokes, (DCHS) 1st & 2nd Semester, Work-Based Learning

Personnel 2023-2024 (Cont.)

Certified

Resign

- 13 – Anna Harrell, Intervention Teacher, (NES)
- 14 – Chelsea Hatcher, Teacher, (SDMS)
- 15 – Randi Snell, Teacher, (Ariton)
- 16 – Paige Peters, Guidance Counselor, (Ariton)
- 17 – Grace Smith, Teacher, (NES)
- 18 – Jessica Daniels, Guidance Counselor, (NES)
- 19 – Brandi Whitfield, Teacher, (NES)

Transfer

- 20 – Kristie Deloney, Teacher, (LES) to Teacher, (Ariton)
- 21 – Melissa Patterson, Teacher, (MCES) to Intervention Teacher, (NES)
- 22 – Denise Tharpe, Teacher, (NES) to Teacher, (LES)
- 23 – April Reynolds, Teacher, (MCES) to Teacher, (NES)

Employ

- 24 – Rachel Petrillo, Teacher, (MCES)
- 25 – Tiara Agee, Teacher, (SDMS)
- 26 – Sam Davis, Teacher, (SDMS)
- 27 – Ashley Chappell, Guidance Counselor, (Ariton)
- 28 – Sherri Evans, Music Teacher, (MCES) and (NES)
- 29 – Desiree Williams, Guidance Counselor, (NES)
- 30 – Barbara Culpepper, Teacher, (NES)
- 31 – Paige Richburg, Teacher, (MCES)

Supplement Requests

- 32 – Ariton
- 33 – DCHS
- 34 – LES
- 35 – LHS
- 36 – MCES
- 37 – NES
- 38 – SDMS

Non Staff Coaches/Band/Yearbook (Volunteer & Supplemented)

- 39 – Ariton
- 40 – DCHS
- 41 – LHS

Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

13 Job Description – Mental Health Counselor

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve Job Description for Mental Health Counselor as presented.

Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Priscilla McKnight, carried.

14 2023-2024 Salary Schedule (All Positions) – Mr. Jesse James

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the 2023-2024 Salary Schedule as presented.

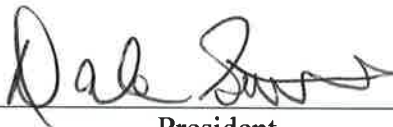
Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Jerald Cook, carried (4-1).
Phillip Parker, opposed.

15 Organizational Chart – Mr. Ben Baker

No action required.

16 Other

With no other business, President Sutton adjourned the meeting.



President



Secretary