

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 12, 2024

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Sumter County Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman, Mrs. Patricia Harris with the following other members present: Mrs. Carolyn Hamilton, Mr. Vincent Kearse, Ms. Abbis Bivins, Mr. Rick Barnes, Mrs. Sylvia Roland, and Mr. Edward Jackson.

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

A recommendation was made by Mr. Barnes to remove item HH. Contract with Buckley and Associates to develop architectural drawings of proposed athletic fields at Sumter County High School, and placed under New Business to be voted on as a separate item.

A motion was made by Mr. Kearse to adopt the agenda with placing item HH. Contract with Buckley and Associates to develop architectural drawings of proposed athletic fields at Sumter County High School under New Business, and second by Mr. Jackson. The motion was carried unanimously.

The following consent agenda items were unanimously approved on a motion by Mrs. Hamilton; second by Mr. Barnes:

- A. Minutes of August 8, 2024
- B. Facility Use Requests & Overnight Field Trips

SCHOOL USE REQUESTS

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) to use the football stadium at Americus Sumter High School, on October 9, 2024, for the Fields of Faith Event. *(Fees and Insurance Secured)*

Dwight Harris (SCPRD) to use the practice field and football stadium at Americus Sumter High School, from September 19-October 19, 2024, for football practice and championship games. *(Fees waived, and Insurance Secured)*

Jermaine Seay to use the Americus-Sumter High School (South Campus) football stadium, September 14, 2024 for an Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) travel football game. *(Fees Paid, and Insurance Secured)*

OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

Eighteen students (SCHS DECA) to Atlanta, Georgia, November 7-8, 2024 to attend the DECA Fall Leadership Conference.

Ten students (SCHS CTAE/FCCLA) to Covington, Georgia, November 12-13, 2024 to attend a Fall Leadership Conference.

Fifteen students (SCHS CTAE/FCCLA) to Columbus, Georgia, March 24-26, 2025 to attend the State Leadership Conference.

- C. 95 Percent Group----Title II (\$10,400.00)
- D. CDW Interactive Panels----Title II (\$17,837.22)
- E. Edmentum Renewal----Title III ESOL (\$12,275.00)
- F. SCIS-Just Right Readers----1003a (\$11,652.30)
- G. SCIS-Scholastic Education Solutions----1003a (\$17,274.32)
- H. SCIS 95 Percent Group Intervention Materials----1003a (\$30,592.10)
- I. LETRS Training (RESA)----ESSER III ARP (\$37,125.00)
- J. School Supplies for Students----ESSER III ARP (up to \$50,000.00)
- K. 95 Percent Group Intervention System (K-3)(7-12)---ESSER III ARP (\$59,943.40)
- L. Financial Reports
- M. Vendor Payments – August 2024
- N. Open Payables – August 2024
- O. Preliminary Cash Flow Report

	Citizens Bank General Fund	GA Fund 1 General Fund	GA Fund 1 Special/ Capital	Citizens Bank SPLOST 2021	Regions Bank Sales Tax 2021	Citizens Bank General Fund 2
July 31, 2024	-\$2,571.17	\$10,000,000.00	\$3,981,950.60	\$0.00	\$452,382.98	\$462,694.38
Incoming	\$0.00	\$50,968.79	\$18,390.65	\$0.00	\$529,020.31	\$20,634,320.49
Outgoing	\$2,567.82	\$2,300,968.79	\$65,733.82	\$0.00	\$453,536.45	\$20,728,727.14
August 30, 2024	-\$3.35	\$7,750,000.00	\$3,934,607.43	\$0.00	\$527,866.24	\$368,287.73

- P. Expenditure Journal Summary Budget Report
- Q. 396 Fund Balance Revenue Report
- R. Schools Quarterly Reports
- S. Recruitment/Retention (Quality Work Force) \$2,000 Incentive----ESSER III ARP
- T. 2024-2025 SCS Nutrition Handbook
- U. School Nutrition Food Supplier Bids
- V. Happy or Not Program
- W. Ashley's Business Solutions – Cannon Lease----Local (\$336.45/60 Mo.)
- X. 350 SHI International Corp. Chromebooks----ESSER III ARP (\$114,793.00)
- Y. 100 Vivacity Chromebooks----ESSER III ARP (\$26,700.00)
- Z. Retirements
 - AA. Release from Contracts
 - BB. Rescindment of Job Offer
 - CC. Employments
 - DD. Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)
 - EE. Paid Parental Leave Act
 - FF. Director of Operations (Maintenance/Facilities) Job Description
 - GG. Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of Southwestern State University (GSW), and Sumter County School District agree to enter into this partnership agreement for the establishment and maintenance of a mutually beneficial partnership.

PERSONNEL

The following personnel matters were approved as part of the consent agenda:

Retirements

Royce Thompkins
Johnny Gaines
Henry King
Doretha Dowdell

Release from Contracts

Rhonda Reddick
Monica Hanlin

Rescindment of Job Offer

Miraya Expinoza

Employments

Carolyn Harris
Devante Fleming
Carlicia Johnson
Kerrison Whitney
Lytresa Sanders
Eric Monts
Dinesh Paladugu (Intalage)
Vivian Griffin

Job Description – Director of Operations (Facilities/Maintenance)

OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mrs. Hamilton; second by Mr. Kears to approve the following Fundraisers:

Sumter County Primary School to sell Pictures, Doughnuts, T-shirts, Ice Cream, Freeze Pops, Candy, Food sales, Penguin Patch, Smencils, School Pictures, Adult Dress-Down Days, Jump Rope for Heart, Book-Fair, Chick-Fil-A, Chicken Salad Chic, Chocolate Sales, Two Dukes BBQ, Zaxby's, Grab Bags, Candy-grams, Kona Ice.

Sumter County Elementary School to sell Pictures/School Pictures, Yearbooks, Book fair, Dollar Days, T-shirts, (Doughnuts, Popcorn, Pizza, Ice Cream, Cookies/Cookie dough, Freeze pops, Candy, Chips, Drinks, Snacks,) Food sales, Holiday items, School Supplies/School Store, Specialty items, Car Wash, On-line Fundraiser/Donation Sites, School Dances/Activity days, Dress-Up Days, Sunshine Fund, Adult Dress-Down Days, Vending Machines, Jump Rope for Heart and Relay for Life.

Sumter County Intermediate School to sell Pictures, Yearbooks, Hospitality, Book fair, Doughnuts, Grab bags, T-shirts, Ice Cream, Car Wash, Dress-down days and School Dances/Activity day.

Sumter County Middle School to sell Cookies, Candy, Chips, Drinks, Chick-fil-A, Zaxby's, Pictures, On-line Fundraiser/Donation Sites, T-shirts, Ice Cream, Snacks, and School Dances/Activity days.

Sumter County High School to sell Cookies, Candy, Chips, Drinks, Doughnuts, Barbecue Items/Plates, Chick-fil-A meals, Zaxby's Meals, Pictures, Specialty Items, On-line Fundraiser/Donation Sites, T-shirts, Ice Cream, Snacks, School Dances/Activity Days, Sponsorships, Athletic Apparel and Paraphernalia, Banners, Car Washes, Yard Sales, Season Tickets/Passes, Game Tickets, Program Books, Team Camps/Clinics, Tailgating, Donation Cards/Calendars, Bed Sheets, Tumblers, and Tournaments (Softball, Kickball, Golf, etc.), Entry Fees, and Team Fees.

Sumter County Athletic Programs (SCMS & SCHS) to sell athletic apparel, paraphernalia, banners, carnival items, candles, food and drink sales, season tickets/passes, game tickets, photos, discount cards, tumblers, holiday items, specialty items, sports program books, advertising sales, bed sheets, donation cards, raffles (to follow Policy JKB), dances, Spring Carnival, etc., sponsor game-day tailgates, car washes, team camps/clinic sponsorships, softball tournaments, kickball tournaments, 3k-5k fun runs, calendar funding match, 12-hour fun run, yard sales, and online fundraising/donation sites.

The motion was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mrs. Hamilton; second by Mr. Kearsse to approve the Sumter County Schools Fundraiser Guidelines. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Contract with Buckley and Associates to develop architectural drawings of proposed athletic fields at Sumter County High School was tabled until the next meeting.


EXCUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 8:03 p.m. by Mrs. Roland; second by Mr. Barnes 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)).

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Kearsse; second by Mr. Barnes at 8:21 p.m. to return to open session; the motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Kearsse; second by Mrs. Roland; the motion was carried unanimously.



Chairman



Secretary