

MINUTES
BLEDSOE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 2, 2026

The Bledsoe County Board of Education met in regular session on March 2, 2026, at 6:11 p.m. at Bledsoe County Middle School called to order by Chairman Mr. Andy Billingsley with 7 members present.

Roll Call:	Mr. Andy Billingsley	-	Present
	Mr. Timothy Churches	-	Present
	Mr. Jacob Frady	-	Present
	Mrs. Carolyn Oakes	-	Present
	Mr. Steve Perry	-	Present
	Mr. Bron Reece	-	Present
	Mr. Don Snow	-	Present

1. Approval of the Agenda.
MOTION: Mr. Reece Second: Mr. Churches
VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES
 Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES
Motion Passed
2. Approval of the minutes from the February 3, 2026 regular meeting of the Bledsoe County Board of Education.
MOTION: Mr. Reece Second: Mr. Perry
VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES
 Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES
Motion Passed
3. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, to approve monthly financial reports for the month ending January 31, 2026.
MOTION: Mr. Reece Second: Mr. Perry
VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES
 Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES
Motion Passed
4. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, to approve budget amendments.
General Purpose: Fund 141
Amendment #11: Amend VPK Budget to match State Approved Budget
Amendment #12: Amend for overspent line items
Amendment # 13: Amend for Drone Revenues & Expenditures
Amendment #14: Amend for Public Schools Security Grant
Capital Projects: Fund 177
Amendment #2: Move Board office construction from Capital Outlay to Building Construction
MOTION: Mr. Churches Second: Mr. Perry
VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES
 Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES
Motion Passed
5. Request by Mr. Jason Reel, Athletic Director, for the approval of J.C. Rains as a volunteer

coach for Flag football.

MOTION: Mr. Perry Second: Mr. Frady

VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES

Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES

Motion Passed

6. Request by Mrs. Kristy Owens, Food Service Director, for the approval of bid for steamer for Pikeville Elementary School.

Vendor	Bid	Notes
Trimark Strategic	\$28,445.69	
Mobile Fixture	\$30,569.97	Did not Include Removal of old steamer
Singer	\$30,450.00	Did not include installation and removal of old steamer
Dykes Restaurant Supply	\$32,943.82	
KaTom	n/a	Late Submission

Mrs. Owens recommendation was to accept the bid from Trimark Strategic, which was the lowest bid and met all specifications.

MOTION: Mr. Perry Second: Mr. Frady

VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES

Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES

Motion Passed

7. Request by Mr. Brian Turner, Operation and Maintenance Supervisor, for the approval of mowing bid for the 2026 mowing season.

Only one bid was received from Oakes Lawn Care for \$1,650.00 per mowing cycle.

Mrs. Oakes disclosed that Oakes Lawn Care owner was her grandson.

MOTION: Mr. Frady Second: Mr. Billingsley

VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES

Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES

Motion Passed

8. Approval of policy to stream Board Meetings.

Motion to approve policy 1.400 as revised by Mr. Upchurch, Board Attorney.

MOTION: Mr. Perry Second: Mr. Churches

VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: NO Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES

Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: NO Mr. Churches: YES

Motion Passed

9. Approval of Director of Schools Evaluation Instrument.

Motion was for the approval of the Director of Schools Evaluation Instrument as presented with the stipulation that if the Director is scored a 1 or 2 then there must be comments added by the Board member.

MOTION: Mr. Snow Second: Mr. Reece

VOTE: Mr. Frady: YES Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES

Mr. Snow: YES Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES

Motion Passed

