

PICKENS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Carrollton, AL 35447

August 24, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Pickens County College and Career Center BOARD MEETING AGENDA

The Pickens County Board of Education met on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Pickens County College and Career Center. Board members Gene Dawkins, Debbie Holley, Annie Jackson, Frankie Spencer, and Sam Wiggins were in attendance. Superintendent Jamie Chapman conducted the meeting. Other participants were Associate Superintendent Vanessa D. Anthony, IEP Coordinator Kim Clark, and Chief School Financial Officer Jennifer Shirley.

Call to Order and Open Meeting (Board Chairperson)

1. Regular Business

- A. **Approve Agenda:** Superintendent Chapman recommended that the agenda be amended to include letter D, Pickens County Retired Teachers Substitute Pay, under Other Business. On a motion by Sam Wiggins and seconded by Debbie Holley, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the agenda as modified.
- B. **Approve Minutes (June 15, 2020, June 19, 2020, July 13, 2020, July 17, 2020, July 27, 2020, and July 31, 2020 Meeting Minutes):** On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by Debbie Holley, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept the minutes from the June 15, 2020; June 19, 2020; July 13, 2020; July 27, 2020; and July 31, 2020 board meetings as presented.
- C. **Approve Payroll:** On a motion by Debbie Holley and seconded by Sam Wiggins, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept the payroll as presented by CSFO Jennifer Shirley.

2. Community Groups: None

3. Reports

- A. **Finance:** CSFO Jennifer Shirley reviewed the financials below. On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by Sam Wiggins, the Board approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept the July financials as presented.

General Fund:	\$2,543,960.56
Bond Proceeds	450,691.23
QZAB	105,581.91
Capital	449,725.11
Capital CD	353,191.83
Debt Service Fund	304,936.77
CNP	286,717.91
Federal Programs	97,002.47
Local Schools	1,041,136.29

- B. **FY2021 Budget Hearing:** CSFO Jennifer Shirley presented the proposed 2020-2021 budget.

- C. **School Reopening:** Superintendent Chapman explained the following points:

- a. **Students Returning:** Schedule A students return to school on Wednesday, August 26 and Schedule B students will return on Thursday, August 27. Virtual students started receiving instruction on how to use Schoology, Schools PLP, and the Chromebook on Thursday, August 20. He requested that all students, parents, and teachers be patient as we walk through this process and work out on the glitches.

- b. **Vouchers:** Superintendent Chapman explained that the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) is supplying vouchers for parents of students who are on free lunch to use to receive internet access. These vouchers will provide services through December 2020.
- c. **Virtual Student Numbers:** Currently the district has 47% of its students signed up to receive virtual education. The following is a breakdown of the individual schools' percentages: AES - 74%, AHS - %, GES - 27%, GHS - 18%, ECLC - 14%, PCHS - 57%, and RES - 62%. Superintendent Chapman explained that operational plans may vary from school to school based on the number of students utilizing virtual learning and participating in traditional learning.
- d. **Child Nutrition Program:** The district is still exploring ways to effectively provide meals to our students. In March, the state received a waiver from the federal government that allowed all districts in the state to feed all students that were 18 years old or younger. The state is seeking permission to implement this waiver again this year. Currently the federal government hasn't approved it for the 2020-2021 school year. Parents and guardians will be notified using our call out system of CNP breakfast and lunch drop-offs or pickups.

D. Other Business (Board Action Required)

- A. **Paper Bid:** The bids for copy paper closed on August 3, 2020. Lann Chemical & Supply and Quill Corporation submitted bids. CSFO Shirley explained that Vanessa Anthony, Margaret Seymer, and herself participated in the bid opening. Lann Chemical & Supply's bid prices for delivered or picked up paper was \$31.85 for 8 ½ X 11 paper and \$64.45 for 8 ½ X 14 paper. The Quill Corporation's bid price for delivered paper was \$29.99 for 8 ½ X 11 paper and \$49.20 for 8 ½ X 14 paper. On a motion by Debbie Holley and seconded by Sam Wiggins, the board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept Quill Corporation's bid as the most responsible bidder for the 8 ½ X 11 paper. On a motion by Debbie Holley and seconded by Sam Wiggins, the board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept Quill Corporation's bid as the most responsible bidder for the 8 ½ X 14 paper.
- B. **2020-2021 Salary Schedule:** On a motion by Sam Wiggins and seconded by Debbie Holley, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation to accept the 2020 – 2021 Salary Schedules as presented.
- C. **Personnel Recommendations:** On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by Debbie Holley, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent's personnel recommendations. The recommendations were as follows:

EMPLOYMENT: CERTIFIED

Johnathon Galloway	Teacher, PCCCC, Effective 08/13/2020
Javalynn Henderson	Teacher, AHS, Effective 08/13/2020

EMPLOYMENT: NON-CERTIFIED

Caroline Hill	Nurse, AHS, Effective 08/08/2020
Ma'Kiyah Hall	Instructional Assistant, AHS, Effective 08/13/2020
Shameka Sterling	Instructional Assistant, AHS, Effective 08/13/2020

MEDICAL LEAVE: CERTIFIED

Nyssa Haley	Teacher, P4C, From 09/14/2020 to 11/09/2020
Emelia Reece	Teacher, Pre-K SLP, Effective 08/24/2020

MEDICAL LEAVE: NON-CERTIFIED

Bobby Windham	Bus Driver, Aliceville Area Schools, From 08/07/2020 to 09/01/2020
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RETIREMENT: CERTIFIED

Lois Lewis

Teacher, GHS, Effective September 1, 2020

Rhonald Randolph

Teacher, AHS, Effective October 1, 2020

RESIGNATION: NON-CERTIFIED

Joseph Ray

Instructional Assistance, AHS, Effective 08/07/2020

- E. Executive Session:** Debbie Holley certified the need to convene into executive session and Gene Dawkins seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the recommendation. The Board convened into Executive Session at 7:48 p.m. and reconvened into regular session at 8:09 p.m.
- A. Personnel:** Upon reconvening, Superintendent Chapman recommended the personnel listed above.
- B. Zone Variances:** On a motion by Gene Dawkins and seconded by Debbie Holley, the board unanimously approved zone variance 29.
- F. Adjourn:** Superintendent Chapman stated that the next board meeting would be held at the Central Office on September 14, 2020 beginning at 9:00 a.m. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.