

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 9, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Webster County Board of Education held its regular scheduled meeting on August 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Linda Rogers, Mrs. Mary Hinman, Mr. Donald Brown, and Dr. Dorothy Y. Ingram, Superintendent were present. Mr. Tim Matthews and Mr. Jimmie Johnson were absent.

Mrs. Linda Rogers called the meeting to order.

Mrs. Linda Rogers gave the invocation.

Mrs. Linda Rogers recognized visitors.

The tentative agenda was approved with the amendment of updating—#15 to read \$786.63 for each Laptop and Totalling \$23,598.90 and #16 to read 2 Mondo Boards and 2 Mobile Carts—by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The June 2022 financial report was approved by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved July 19, 2022 (5:00 p.m.) work session minutes by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved July 19, 2022 (6:00 p.m.) regular meeting minutes by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the 2022-2023 Local Board Training Plan by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the District Strategic Plan by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved for the Webster County School District to follow CDC/DPH COVID-19 Guidelines by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the 2022-2023 CTAE Plan/Budget by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The second reading of Board Policies—Parents' Bill of Rights (JRB), Divisive Concepts Complaint Resolution Process (IKBB), and Material Harmful to Minors Complaint Resolution Process (IKBC) took place at this time.

The Board approved Board Policy-Parents' Bill of Rights (JRB) by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved Board Policy -Divisive Concepts Complaint Resolution Process (IKBB) by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved Board Policy-Material Harmful to Minors Complaint Resolution Process (IKBC) by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved MTC purchases for upgrading access points and wireless throughout the building \$19,990.00 – cabling the art/computer lab \$9,466.50 - cabling the lab blue hall room D103 28 cat-6 drops \$6,434.60 (ESPLOST funding) by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved to purchase 50 Mondo Boards (Get 10 Free) and 60 Mobile Carts from Govconnections, Inc. in the amount of \$115,794.50 (ESSER II Funding) by motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved to purchase 30 Laptops (\$786.63 each) in the amount of \$23,598.90 from CDW (ESSER III Funding) by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved to purchase 2 Mondo boards and 2 mobile carts from Govconnections, Inc. in the amount of \$5,648.72 (Special Education Funding) by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved to purchase a lawn mower from Westover Outdoor Power Equipment in the amount of \$14,995.00 (ESPLOST Funding) by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to move Mrs. Desiree Gardner from a substitute teacher to a paraprofessional beginning 2022-2023 school year (Title I Funding) by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to assign substitute bus driving duties to Mr. Dominique Mitchell beginning 2022-2023 school year (pending completion of drug screening) by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the supplements for 2022-2023 (list enclosed) by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

Dr. Ingram presented the Superintendent's Report and the CTAE Report—Reminder that food cost for the cafeteria is continuing to increase—it is important that we preserve our cafeteria budget for increasing food costs (cafeteria will receive an additional Supply Chain Assistance Grant later this year-DOE is not sure of this year's grant amount)—received \$10,816.80 last year that will be used to purchase milk. Meal reimbursements will increase a small amount—additional .15 for breakfast and an additional .40 for lunch. Also, the cafeteria will have a Procurement Audit this school year (the date has not been set by DOE yet). Five Year Digest –Millage Rate—Bond Debt—scheduled to be set at the special called meeting on August 19, 2022 at 9 a.m., Sept 1 is the deadline—(Handout). Bond Validation hearing is August 15th at the Webster County Courthouse at 10 a.m. Personnel vacancies: H.S., Middle School, and Special Education; Dr. Ingram presented the Board members with the Employee COVID Procedures (handout), GSBA Risk E-lert for August 2022 (handout), GSBA Policy Alert for July 2022 (handout). Hearing and Vision Screening – Prevent Blindness Georgia (Office of Rural Education and Innovation)

September 26th for grades 1, 3, 5, and 7. The Exemplary Board Application was submitted to GSBA on July 27th (notifications will be emailed in October). The Superintendent's meeting will be held at RESA on August 10th. H.S. scheduling is August 11th with the scheduling committee. Dr. Ingram presented the Board members with the 2022-2023 Employee COVID Protocols (handout). Upcoming Events: Family Connections has scheduled a fish fry for August 12th from 12:30 to 2 p.m. and a "Back to School Bash" for August 20th from 11 to 2 p.m. Pre-Planning begins August 26th, Open House is Sept 1 from 4 to 7 p.m. A school holiday is scheduled for September 5th in observance of Labor Day, and the first day of school is Sept 6th. The next Board meeting is scheduled for September 13th at 6 p.m. along with the work session at 5 p.m. Dr. Ingram highlighted on student enrollment, attendance, COVID updates. CTAE: Budget has been received from DOE, Mr. Baker and Dr. Ingram will meet at the beginning of the year to discuss CTAE needs. CLNA has a few minor revisions (will be submitted by the end of the week). Dual Enrollment: SGTC classes have ended (all students passed), SGTC classes begin August 18, 2022 (9 enrolled), and GSW classes begin August 15, 2022 (1 enrolled).

Ms. Ellis presented the Principal and the Special Education Report—Leadership Retreat was a success prepared by Superintendent Dr. Ingram, attended the Governor's Leadership Academy, the leadership team is busy preparing for students to return to school, preplanning is August 26th, professional development is taking place such as PBIS Behavior Training that all faculty and staff need to know. Also, a 2-day class on Youth Mental Health and First Aid, TKES Training, and Ethics training are taking place as well. Open House is September 1st from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. (looking forward to having our halls full of students and teachers once again). Special Education Report: Continuing to clean the IEP files for storage, studying FTE for Special Education and learning about the categories of disabilities and their impact on funding, completed a virtual training on a Renaissance program called Freckle that would be good for Special needs and regular education remediation—automatically feeds us data from the work done by students; attended the Special Education Directors' webinar that discussed all the important upcoming events and items to pay particular attention to as the new school year begins.

Mrs. Sterling presented the Title I Report—Federal Programs Update: WCS has received funding information for Title I-A, Title II-A, Title IV-A. Curriculum and Testing: Milestones results are in and while results have not yet reached pre-pandemic levels, they show that, in some areas, academic recovery is underway. 2021-2022 was a regular assessment administration and this year's test results will be used to establish the new baseline for measuring growth. WCS results were highlighted in comparison to 2020-2021 test scores. Remediation Class Materials: Remediation classes will be available for 4th grade Reading; 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th Grade Math, H.S. Reading and H.S. Math. Dibels benchmark assessment: Amplify – remediation/enrichment (K-8) IXL, Focused Reading K-8, Focused Math K-5, DRC Beacon: benchmark assessment: remediation/enrichment 3-8, Reading Eggs, Math Seeds. Freckle: coorealtes with STAR: Reading /Math (pending decision HS/K-12).

(No Public Comments)

The meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was carried unanimously.

Time Adjourned: 6:35 P.M.

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Approved: 9/13/2022