The Dale County Board of Education met in Regular Session Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the Dale County Government Building. Shannon Deloney, Board President, presided over the meeting with members Jerald Cook, Dale Sutton, Priscilla McKnight, Phillip Parker, Attorney William Nichols 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 Dale County Schools Mission Statement

DESTINATION: EXCELLENCE

The mission of Dale County Schools is to develop life-long learners who have personal, economic, technological and social skills needed to be member of a global society.

- 4 The meeting was called to order by President Shannon Deloney.
- Approval of Agenda
 Motion Phillip Parker, Second Jerald Cook, carried.
- 6 Approval of Minutes
 - a. March Board Meeting March 11, 2025

Motion – Dale Sutton, Second – Priscilla McKnight, carried.

7 Visitors – No visitors were present.

No action required.

8 Approval of Bills and Accounts

The Superintendent recommended that all bills and accounts be paid.

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

9 Financial Statement/Bank Reconciliations

The Superintendent presented the most recent financial statements to the Board with all bank accounts reconciled through February 2025.

No action required.

10 Financial

a. Canon Copier Lease Agreement (SDMS) & (MCES)

Superintendent Baker recommended the Board approve Canon Copier Lease Agreement for SDMS and MCES as presented.

Motion - Priscilla McKnight, Second - Dale Sutton, carried.

11 Field Trip Requests

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the following field trips:

- a. AHS FFA AG Expo, Moultrie, GA, October 15, 2025
- b. AHS & DCHS FFA National FFA Convention & Expo, Indianapolis, IN October 28 November 1, 2025
- c. DCHS FFA AG Expo, Moultrie, GA, October 15, 2025
- d. LHS FFA AG Expo, Moultrie, GA, October 15, 2025
 LHS FFA National FFA Convention & Expo, Indianapolis, IN October 27 November 1, 2025
- e. DCHS Track Team Track & Field Meet, Gulf Shores, AL, May 1-5, 2025

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

12 Personnel 2024-2025/Personnel 2025-2026

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

Personnel 2024-2025

Non-Certified

Subs

1 – Chester Atwell, Substitute Bus Driver

Retire

- 2 Dale Phillips, CNP Worker, (Long)
- 3 Lesa Rogers, Custodian, (LES)

Resign

- 4 Monica Carroll, Bus Driver, (Ariton)
- 5 Mattie Williams, Secretary, (Ariton)

Employ

6 - Timothy Brookshire, Bus Driver, (District Utility)

Personnel (cont.)

Non-Certified

Extended Medical Leave

7 – Barbara Woodall, CNP Worker (MCES) expected dates for leave April 14, 2025 through May 23, 2025

Certified

Resign

8 – Chris Barefield, Teacher, (LHS)

Retire

- 9 Leigh Ann Dockery, Teacher, (DCHS)
- 10 Cindy Preston, Teacher, (LES)
- 11 Mandi Walker, Media Specialist, (LHS)
- 12 Vickie Cochran, Teacher, (MCES)

Personnel 2025-2026

Non Certified

Non Renewals

13 – Leslie Leatherwood, Instructional Aide, (Ariton)

Certified

Transfer

- 14 Chelsea Strickland Smith, Teacher (SDMS) to Teacher (LES)
- 15 Casey Daughtry, Teacher (SDMS) to Teacher (DCHS)

Employ

- 16 Lanie Campbell, Teacher, (MCES)
- 17 Emma Glover, Teacher, (MCES)
- 18 Logan Hathcock, Teacher, (SDMS)

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

13 Adjourn –

With no other business, President Shannon Deloney adjourned the meeting.

Secretary

President/