

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Webster County Board of Education held its regular meeting on December 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Linda Rogers, Mrs. Mary Hinman, Mr. Donald Brown, Mr. Jimmie Johnson, and Dr. Dorothy Y. Ingram, Superintendent were present. Mr. Tim Matthews was absent.

Mrs. Linda Rogers called the meeting to order.

Mr. Jimmie Johnson gave the invocation.

Mrs. Linda Rogers recognized visitors.

The tentative agenda was approved by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The October 2021 financial report was approved by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The November 9, 2021 regular meeting minutes were approved by a motion made by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Frank King highlighted on ESPLOST and Bond Series Options at this time. The Board members were presented projections of the Sales Tax Collections Cash Flow (Handout). Afterwards, Dr. Ingram highlighted on ESPLOST proposed projects (Handout). The Board directed Dr. Ingram to meet with Mr. King to prepare information for the bond referendum.

The Board completed the second reading of Paid Parental Leave Policy GARHB.

The Board approved the Paid Parental Leave Policy by a motion made by Mr. Jimmie Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously

The Board approved Board Meeting Dates for 2022 by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Mr. Edward Jackson as a substitute teacher by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Ms. Jennifer Howell as a substitute teacher by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

Dr. Ingram presented the Superintendent's report and the CTAE report. COVID-19 updates as of October 7, 2021 from DPH were presented to Board members (Handout). GSBA Risk Management Services (December 2021 issue) was presented (Handout). Dr. Ingram stated that

she has met with David Guerra Wednesday, December 8, 2021 to review facilities for Five Year Facilities Plan and special projects projections. Georgia High School Association Regions have changed for 2022-2024 (Handout). The new school bus 21-01 (90 passenger) was delivered Wednesday, December 8, 2021—total cost was: \$114,743.41 (\$77,220.00 State Funded and \$37,523.21 General Fund). State allocations for buses for next year will be announced in March/April 2022. Whole Board Training will be conducted Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. with Mr. Bill Sampson. Lock down drill and severe weather drill was conducted in November. Winter GAEL Conference – Classic Center in Athens, GA is January 23-25, 2022. The school will be closed for the holiday break – December 20 –January 2. Students and teachers will return to school Monday, January 3, 2022. Dr. Ingram announced, “Congratulations to our teacher of the year, Mr. John Wilder, to our Administrative Assistant, Ms. Ashley Crimes, on her graduation from South Georgia Technical College with an Associates of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education on December 9, 2021, and to our Principal, Ms. Paige Ellis, on her graduation from Columbus State University with a Specialist Degree in Educational Leadership. CTAE Budget was approved by GADOE. CTAE Fall Advisory Meeting was held December 7, 2021. CTAE Winter Conference in Atlanta is February 9-11, 2022. HIGH SCHOOL—Senior Capstone presentations is Tuesday and Wednesday. Members from the community will serve as judges. Star Student and Star Teacher have been approved by PAGE and will be announced January 5, 2022. Apply to College Day was held November 18, 2021. Sixteen seniors that applied are beginning to receive acceptance letters. December 1st is Financial Aid/Dual Enrollment/HOPE presentation by Georgia Student Finance Commission for grades 8-12. DUAL Enrollment—Spring Semester 2022 enrollment registration held by SGTC and GSW (6 GSW, @ 2 SGTC). ACCUPLACER was administered by SGTC December 2, 2021.

Ms. Ellis presented the Principal’s report and the Special Education’s report—Caroling with the Chorus was held on the courthouse steps (singing and hot chocolate). Budgets: IDEA 611 Flowthrough is complete and signed off. IDEA Ages 3-5 is complete and signed off. Mrs. Barfield was nominated for an award given by the GADOE for Special Education Star Teacher of the Month—Mrs. Barfield was given this honor for the month of November. Mrs. Ellis announced, “We are so proud of Mrs. Barfield.”

Mrs. Sterling presented the Title I report—ESSER III budget was approved by the state. ESSER III Plans are on the website. ESSER III budgets can be changed if the need arises. (Preparing for Cross Functional Monitoring)

The meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

Time Adjourned: 7:07 p.m.
Prepared By: Regina T. Dotts
Approved: 1/11/2022