

Bessemer City Schools**Regular Board Meeting****03/19/2024 06:15 PM**

Bessemer Board of Education

1621 5th Avenue N

Bessemer, AL 35020

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Mr. Lee Jones, Board President, Presiding
(Immediately Following Called Board Meeting)

I. CALL TO ORDER**II. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM****III. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA****V. COMMENDATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- A. Bessemer's Best
- B. 2024 State Superintendent's Visual Arts Exhibit Winners
- C. P.R.I.D.E. Honorees

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES for February 1, 2024 and February 20, 2024**VII. FINANCIAL REPORT - MRS. PATRICIA STEWART**

- A. Bank Statements
- B. Bank Reconciliations

VIII. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**IX. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Request for Called Board Meeting on March 26, 2024 for Technology Grant
- B. Whole Board Training/Board Retreat Update
- C. Interim Attorney

X. NEW BUSINESS - SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. Approval of Personnel Action Report
- B. Approval of field trip request from Greenwood Elementary School to the Montgomery Zoo for 1st grade students, April 30, 2024, Funding Source: Student Fee - \$62.00, Adult Fee - \$67.00
- C. Approval of field trip request from Greenwood Elementary School 4th grade to the Montgomery Capital, Zoo, and Riverboat, Source of Funds: Student Fee - \$95.00, Adult Fee - \$95.00
- D. Approval to contract with Chef Robert Rhymes during the period of May 6-9, 2024 and May 15-17, 2024 for training for Child Nutrition Program Staff, Cost: 7 days, 7 Cafeterias in the amount of \$1400.00 each. Total Cost: \$9,800.00, Source of Funds: CNP Funds
- E. Approval of BCHS Band and Choir out-of-town/overnight field trip request to the Southern Star Musical Festival in Atlanta, GA, April 5-6, 2024, Source of Funds: \$125.00 per Student, \$125.00/Adult
- F. Approval of out-of-state field trip request from BCMS for 7th/8th grade band students to participate in a band competition in Atlanta, GA and Six Flags on May 4, 2024. Students will perform to be judged/evaluated at the band festival, and go to Six Flags in partnership with the evaluation. Cost: \$125.00/Student Fee, \$95.00/Chaperone Fee, Source of Funds: Fundraiser and Parent/Student Contributions
- G. Approval for A-Labs, (Afterschool Labs-Accelerating Achievement), to provide Summer School for five Elementary Schools for a four week period June 3 - 20, 2024. The summer school experience will meet the required standards and expectations of the Literacy Act as well as the Numeracy Act. Approximately 692 students are expected to attend the four week summer school, Cost: \$996,000.00, Monday-Thursday, seven hours a day for 15 days. Please see page one of the proposed agreement for detailed explanations and specifics, Funding Source: ARP-ESSER III

- H. Approval for A-Labs, (Afterschool Labs-Accelerating Achievement), to provide Summer Learning opportunities for approximately 300 students at BCMS and BCHS. Each school will host a tailor-made and specifically designed experience based on the needs of the respective campuses. Dates/Times: Summer 1 - June 3-20, Summer 2 - June 24 -27; July 15-25, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday. The program details are included in the supplemental documentation. Cost: \$918,000.00; 4 Days a week, Monday-Thursday. Source of Funds: ARP-ESSER III Funds
- I. Approval of Proposed 2024-2025 School Calendar Draft #1
- J. Approval of lowest responsible bidder, nSide, The School Safety Platform for installation of Video Surveillance Systems for all Schools in the Bessemer City School District in the amount of \$1,016,295.91. Cost: BCMS - \$227,911.00, Westhills - \$97,296.91, Greenwood - \$107,950.09, Hard - \$147,934.16, BCHS Sports Complex/Parking Lot - \$134,668.05, Jonesboro - \$141,971.37, Abrams - \$158,563.93, Total Cost: \$1,016,295.91, Source of Funds: Lieutenant Governor's, Will Ainsworth, K-12 Capital Grant Program for School Safety
- K. Approval of lowest responsible bidder, Air Quality Systems, to perform duct cleaning for Bessemer School System in the amount of \$421,307.00, Source of Funds: ESSER III
- L. Approval of Donations 1-4
 1. \$2050.00 to Abrams Elementary Teacher Gaylia Malone for Outside Gardening from Stormwater with Jefferson Master Gardeners
 2. \$400.00 to BCHS Cheerleaders and Band participating in the Bessemer Christmas and the Pink & Purple Parade 2023 from the Bessemer Chamber of Commerce
 3. \$150.00 to BCS Special Education Olympics Program for general use from New Bethlehem Baptist Church
 4. \$250.00 to BCHS for Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) from Allen Temple AME Church

XI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Personnel Matter

XIII. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- A. Work Session: Thursday, April 11, 2024, 5:30 p.m., at the Central Office, and Live Streamed on BCS Tigers YouTube Channel
- B. Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 16, 2024, 6:00 p.m., at the Central Office, and Live Streamed on BCS Tigers YouTube Channel

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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