

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OZARK, ALABAMA October 8, 2024
The Dale County Board of Education met in Regular Session Tuesday, October 8, 2024, 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 The meeting was called to order by President Shannon Deloney.

4 Approval of Agenda

Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Dale Sutton, carried.

5 Approval of Minutes

a. Regular Board Meeting –September 10, 2024

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

6 Visitors

No visitors were present.

7 Approval of Bills and Accounts

Superintendent Baker recommended that all bills and accounts be paid.

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

8 Financial Statement/Bank Reconciliations

The Superintendent presented the most recent financial statements to the Board with all bank accounts reconciled through August 2024.

No action required.

9 Financial

a. Accountability Notifications

DCHS General Purpose Donation of \$25,500.00 from State Senator Donnie Chesteen Ariton donation of \$2,134.55 from Wiregrass RC & D to purchase AED

No action required.

b. Certificate of Deposit Updates/Mrs. Vivian Miller

Mrs. Miller updated the Board on called Certificate of Deposit and renewal.

No action required.

10 Personnel 2024-2025

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

Certified

Employ

1 – Tabitha Burgess, Career Coach, (District)

Extended Medical Leave

2 – Karmen Howard, Teacher, (Ariton) leave will begin on December 2nd

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

Maternity Leave

3 – Holly Carter (Long) & Megan Pecor (MCES/SDMS) , replacements for Candice Ward, Gifted Teacher, (District) expected dates for leave October 30, 2024 through January 6, 2025

Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Dale Sutton, carried.
Phillip Parker and Priscilla McKnight, abstain.

4 – Sydney Edmonds, Teacher, (DCHS)
expected dates for leave November 6, 2024 through January 6, 2025

5 – Callie Davis, Teacher, (LES)
expected dates for leave January 7, 2025 through March 28, 2025

6 – Michelle Diane Tharpe, Certified Teacher, replacement for
Callie Davis expected dates for leave January 7, 2025 – March 28, 2025

Personnel 2024-2025 (cont.)

Certified

Maternity Leave

7 – Shelby Senn, Teacher, (LES)

expected dates for leave January 25, 2025 through April 21, 2025

8 – Phyllis Ledbetter, Certified Teacher, replacement for

Shelby Senn expected dates for leave January 25, 2025 – April 21, 2025

Non-Certified

Extended Medical Leave

9 – Larry Key, Bus Driver, (Ariton) leave will begin on November 5th

Volunteer Coach

10 – John Weston Jones, Volunteer Coach, (Ariton)

Substitutes

11 – Shawna Gumpenberger, Substitute Bus Driver

12 – Ashton Bailey Bright, Substitute Teacher

13 – Courtney Bell Delgado, Substitute Teacher

14 – John Horace Gasaway, Substitute Teacher

15 – Rachel Bell Haynes, Substitute Teacher

16 – Neviah Leatherwood, Substitute Teacher

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

11 Annual Board Meeting Date and Time

The Superintendent recommended the Board move Annual Board Meeting to Tuesday, November 5, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

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

12 Other

a. AASB Delegate Selection

Mrs. Shannon Deloney was selected to be AASB Delegate.

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

Mrs. Priscilla McKnight was selected to be an Alternate.

Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

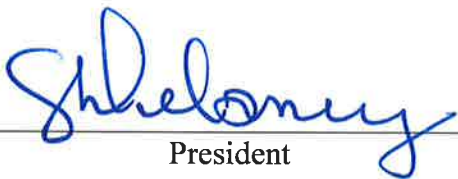
b. Board Member Recognition/Awards

Superintendent Baker presented each Board Member with their annual AASB Achievement Certificates and Awards.

No Action required.

13 Other

With no other business, President Deloney adjourned the meeting.



President



Secretary