

CHATTOOGA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING WORK SESSION MINUTES
MAY 20, 2019 @ 6:00 PM

Chattooga County Board
Office of the Superintendent
Agenda for Board Meeting

-Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board Chairman, John Agnew. There was a quorum of Board Members present along with the Interim Superintendent, Jared Hosmer.

Voting Members Present

John Agnew, Board Member
Sam Ballard, Board Member
Brad Hayes, Board Member
Julia Houston, Board Member

Non-Voting Members Present

Jared Hosmer, Interim Superintendent
Brandie Wooten, Admin. Assistant to the Title I Director

- **Invocation:** John Worsham
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** Sam Ballard

- **Adoption of Superintendent's Recommended Agenda for May 20, 2019 School Board Work Session Meeting.**

-Dr. Houston made a motion to amend the Agenda with a second by Mr. Ballard and the vote was unanimous.

-Mr. Hosmer requested that the Board make the following changes to the Agenda:

- Change the date from May 16th to May 20th
- Remove Agenda item A-4, which will then make Agenda item A-5, A-4.
- Add the following field trip under Agenda item E-1: Teachers/chaperons, Christie Dooley and Amanda Williams will be taking two students to Amherst, Massachusetts on June 5th and returning June 9th to compete in the "MAGIC" portion of the Future Problem Solvers Bowl.
- Under G-1, Certified Recommendations, please correct the following: Kelsey Plummer will be a teacher at Menlo Elementary School and not Leroy Massey Elementary.
- Also under G-1, add to Certified Resignations:
 - 1) Victoria Garnto; Science teacher at Summerville Middle School; she was approved in March to begin FY'20. She is resigning due to personal reasons.
 - 2) Kristen Causey; Math teacher at Summerville Middle School; accepted a position in a different school district; effective 06/04/19.

-Mr. Ballard requested to add Agenda item F-4.

-Mr. Agnew requested to add Agenda item B-2.

-Motion to approve the amended Agenda was made by Dr. Houston with a second by Mr. Hayes and the vote was unanimous.

- **Review Minutes of Previous Meetings**

- April 18, 2019 Work Session
- April 18, 2019 Regular Session
- April 25, 2019 Called Meeting

A. Resolutions/Recognitions (non-action items)

1. Teacher Appreciation Week Resolution

2. School Nurse Week Resolution

3. FFA Recognition

Jesse Blalock is a recent graduate of Chattooga High School but is still very active in the FFA program. Through FFA, Jesse is able to compete one year after graduation in the award category of Agriculture Mechanics Repair and Maintenance. This is just one example of how CTAE continues educational training even after students join the workforce. Jesse stops by frequently to help in the Agriculture Mechanics Shop, to mentor younger students. As you might remember, we recently recognized Jesse for winning the Region competition and advancing to the State competition. We are pleased to announce that Jesse has now won 1st place at the state level.

Jorja Cooper is a senior and Addie Bridges is a junior at Chattooga High School. Both have storied FFA careers, each earning multiple awards and accomplishments. Jorja and Addie decided to pair up at the beginning of the school year to complete and compete in the Agricultural Science Fair. The FFA Agriscience Fair recognizes student researchers studying the application of agricultural scientific principles and emerging technologies in agricultural enterprises. Their project consisted of studying the effects of different feeds on egg production. Jorja and Addie won 1st place at the state competition.

Jesse, Jorja and Addie will now all travel to the National FFA convention where they will be competing at the national level. The convention will be held this October in Indianapolis, Indiana.

4. Dual Enrollment Student Recognition

Dakota Finster is a senior at Chattooga High School who has also earned an Associates Degree from Georgia Northwestern Technical College in Social Work. Dakota intends to continue his studies at Faulkner University to pursue an undergraduate degree in Clinical Psychology. He then plans to earn a law degree. Dakota is an outstanding student who has been super focused and dedicated to his

education. Mrs. Wallace, the Counselor at Chattooga High School said, “I remember talking to Dakota when he was a sophomore. He had a plan in place then and had already spoken with an admissions counselor at Faulkner to determine what dual enrollment courses he should take. Dakota has taken dual enrollment classes every semester and even on his own during the summer. He had all of his high school classes finished before his senior year so he attended Georgia Northwestern Technical College full time this year. We are so proud of Dakota.”

B. School Board Members

1. Board consideration of Board Chairman, John Agnew’s recommendation to set a deadline for accepting letters of interest for the vacant Board seat, District 01.
2. Board consideration of Board Chairman, John Agnew’s recommendation to have the Board make a decision on whether or not to move forward with having the Georgia School Board Association help with the new Superintendent search.

C. School Board Policies

1. Board consideration of Board Chairman, John Agnew’s recommendation to revise the Board Policy, “Public Participation in Board Meetings,” Descriptor Code: BCBI **(this item was tabled at the April meeting to allow for public input).**
2. Board consideration of Superintendent’s recommendation to approve the Board Meeting dates for the FY 2020 school year.

D. Financial Management

1. Board consideration of Superintendent’s recommendation to approve the Financial Statement for March 31, 2019.
2. Preliminary Budget Review **(non-action item)**

E. Educational Programs, Student Support and Staff Development

1. Board consideration of Superintendent’s recommendation to approve the following overnight/over 50 miles field trips:
 - The Chattooga High School Skills USA teacher, Jeff Owings, along with one other adult chaperone will be taking one student to Louisville, Kentucky June 24th and returning on June 29th. for the National Leadership and Skills Conference.
 - Chattooga High School FCCLA Coordinator, Kayla Hartline, along with one other adult chaperone will be taking three students to Anaheim, California June 27th and returning on July 5th, for the National Leadership Conference and Competition.
 - Teachers/chaperons, Christie Dooley and Amanda Williams will be taking two students to Amherst, Massachusetts on June 5th and returning June 9th to compete in the “MAGIC” portion of the Future Problem Solvers Bowl.

F. Support Services/Facilities and Construction Management/Planning

1. Baseball field lights and poles at Chattooga High School (**non-action item**)
2. Football field lights at Chattooga High School (**non-action item**)
3. Tennis Courts
4. Board consideration of Board Member, Sam Ballard's recommendation to approve the bid in the amount of \$34,470.00 and to award the Chattooga High School awning project to Bandini Construction.

*** EXECUTIVE SESSION***

-Motion to enter into Executive Session was made at 7:13 p.m. by Dr. Houston with a second by Mr. Hayes and the vote was unanimous.

-A motion to return from Executive Session was made at 7:55 p.m. by Mr. Ballard with a second by Mr. Hayes and the vote was unanimous.

There was no action taken during Executive Session

G. Personnel

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following Personnel changes:

Certified Resignations

-Mike Martin; Title I Director at Central Office; Retirement; Effective 06/30/19

-Michelle Helie; County-wide Academic Coach; Transferring to another system; effective 06/30/19.

-Victoria Garnto; Science teacher at Summerville Middle School; she was approved in March to begin FY'20. She is resigning due to personal reasons.

-Kristen Causey; Math teacher at Summerville Middle School; accepted a position in a different school district; effective 06/04/19.

Certified Recommendation

-Sarah Hurley; Teacher at Leroy Massey Elementary School; Replacing Janine Pendergrass (transferred to a different position within the same location); Beginning FY '20.

-Kelsey Plummer; Teacher at Menlo Elementary School; Replacing Josie Thrasher; Beginning FY'20.

-Gerald 'Corey' Head; Math Teacher at Chattooga High School; Replacing Donna Martin; Beginning FY'20.

Classified Resignations

-Gwenith Battles; Bus driver; Retirement; Effective 04/30/19

-Doris Flippo; School Food Service Worker at Leroy Massey Elementary School;
Retirement; Effective 05/31/19

-Mary Ann Mann; School Food Service Worker at Chattooga High School;
Retirement; Effective 05/31/19

2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to change the number of work days for the CTAE Director. This position is currently on an 11.5 month contract. It is the only Director's position that is not on a 12 month contract.

H. Superintendent of School

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation for approval of Outline of Board Activities for the 2018-2019 school year.

-Superintendent's "For Information Only" Items

- **Public Participation: NONE**

ADJOURNMENT

-Motion to adjourn was made at 8:00 p.m. by Mr. Hayes with a second by Mr. Ballard and the vote was unanimous.

Jared Hosmer, Interim Superintendent

John Agnew, Chairman

Recorded by: _____

Brandie Wooten
Admin. Assistant to the Title I Director