

**Hartselle City Schools
Meeting Minutes**

**April 2021 Board Meeting
04/20/2021 06:00 PM
Central Office
Hartselle, Alabama 35640**

Attendees

Voting Members

Mr. Daxton Maze, Board Member

Mrs. Monty Vest, Board Member

Mrs. Venita Jones, Board Member

Dr. James Joy, Vice Chairman

Mr. Randy Sparkman, Chairman

Non-Voting Member

Dr. Dee Dee Jones, Superintendent

I. Call to Order

The Board President, Mr. Randy Sparkman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Establishment of Quorum

Mr. Sparkman declared that a quorum was present. All board members were in attendance.

III. Invocation

The Invocation was led by Tim Southerland, Technology Coordinator.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was led by Dena Mayfield, Curriculum Coordinator.

V. Adoption of Agenda

A recommendation was made to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Mr. Maze to approve the recommendation with a second by Mrs. Monty Vest. The vote was unanimous in favor of the agenda.

VI. Approval of Minutes

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the minutes of the following meetings:

- 1). March 16, 2021 - Work Session
- 2). March 16, 2021 - March Board Meeting
- 3). April 15, 2021 - Work Session

Motion made by: Mrs. Monty Vest; Motion seconded by: Dr. James Joy

Voting: Unanimously Approved

VII. Action Items

1. Public Comments - 3 Minutes Limit

a. Anna Byrd Holland

Mrs. Anna Byrd Holland addressed the Board with comments regarding the dismissal of the Hartselle High School softball coach's coaching duties.

2. Reports to the Board

a. March 2021 Financial Reports and Account Reconciliations

Mr. Bradley Colburn, Chief School Finance Officer, gave the Board an update on the March 2021 financial reports and account reconciliations.

b. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Dee Dee Jones, Superintendent, gave the Board a report on the following:

- New EMT Course Dual Enrollment Class will be offered beginning in the fall of the 2021-2022 school year.

- The Governor's Office representative will be visiting on May 25, 2021, to visit our Career Tech program.

- The week is Assistant Principals week.

3. Recommendation to Approve Rental Agreement

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve to renew the lease agreement with Nunn Oden Masonic Lodge #398 and Hartselle City Schools, for the use of their building to serve the needs of the drama department for storage.

Motion made by: Mr. Daxton Maze; Motion seconded by: Dr. James Joy

Voting: Unanimously Approved

4. Recommendation to Approve Salary Schedule

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the salary schedule for the proposed part-time Certified Coordinator.

Motion made by: Dr. James Joy; Motion seconded by: Mrs. Monty Vest

Voting: Unanimously Approved

5. Recommendation to Approve Math Textbook Adoption

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve Envision Mathematics by Savvas Learning Company. The funding source is from the Foundational Program through the General Funds/Textbook Funds to be paid by May 3, 2021.

Motion made by: Mrs. Monty Vest; Motion seconded by: Mr. Randy Sparkman

Voting: Unanimously Approved

6. Recommendation to Approve Out-of-District Students

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve seventy-four out-of-district students.

Motion made by: Dr. James Joy; Motion seconded by: Mrs. Monty Vest

Voting: Unanimously Approved

VIII. Personnel Items

1. Recommendation to Approve Personnel Items

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the following personnel items:

Leave Request

1. William Booth, Assistant Superintendent, for intermittent FMLA leave, beginning March 11, 2021.
2. Caroline Walker, teacher at Hartselle Junior High School, for FMLA leave with the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year through August 30, 2021.
3. Opal Holsonback, for leave from April 5 - May 6, 2021.
4. Nicole Southern, teacher at F.E. Burleson Elementary School, for FMLA leave from April 13 - May 17, 2021.

Resignation

1. Michelle Bradford, custodian currently assigned to Hartselle Junior High School, effective April 15, 2021.
2. Jana Kimball, teacher at F.E. Burleson Elementary, effective April 12, 2021.
3. James George, Instructional Aide, currently assigned to Hartselle High School, effective April 20, 2021.

Retirements

1. Jerry Childers, teacher at Hartselle High School, effective June 1, 2021.
2. Regina Hudson, teacher at Hartselle High School, effective June 1, 2021.
3. Dennis Willingham, teacher at Hartselle High School, effective June 1, 2021.

Employment

1. Olivia Reeder, for the position of elementary teacher at F.E. Burleson Elementary, effective with the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.
2. Whitney Glover, for the position of elementary teacher at Hartselle Intermediate School, effective with the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.
3. Sloan Sittason, for the position of secondary teacher at Hartselle High School, effective with the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.
4. Ashley Hodges for the position of elementary teacher at Barkley Bridge Elementary School, effective with the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.
5. Amy Torbert for the position of Finance Bookkeeper at the Central Office, effective May 1, 2021.
6. Will Turner and Johnston Murphy for summer lawn maintenance workers based at the Central Office, at a rate of \$10 per hour.

7. The following student workers for additional custodial summer help at schools, at a rate of \$10 per hour: Luke Ward - Hartselle Intermediate School; Carter Coan - Hartselle Junior High School; and Hudson Harden - Hartselle High School.

Stipends and Supplements

1. The following for a one-time supplement of \$500 for each Alabama Mentoring New Teacher Center Pilot Program Trainee. This is to be paid from the general fund after May 30, 2021: Kim Pittman, Nanette Edde, Jennifer Lee, Krista Blaxton, Karen Howell, Jessica Halverson, Laura Lamb, Julie Rhodes, Beth Rabb, and Ashley Benham.
2. Junior High baseball supplements for John Hardin, Justin Pflueger, and Jacob Wray to be increased from \$1,000 to \$2,000 for the 2021 baseball season. This will be paid with baseball funds.
3. The following teachers and staff to work during this year's summer attendance is expanded to align with services offered through Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and meet students' needs. This will be paid with ESSR and special education funds:
 - Certified teachers - Amy Crow, Maegan Pangle, Tasha McKee, Beverly Moore, Amanda Garner, Madison Gillette, Luke Southerland, Lisa Gault (Certified PT), Jessica Bankester (Certified Speech), Kati Evans (Certified Speech), and Laura Gaskin (Certified Speech);
 - Instructional Aides - Baylee Southerland, Hallie Johnson, Tera Tapscott, Kasey Brown, Jeannean Gray, and Amy Bradford. Certified employees will be paid \$30 per hour, not to exceed \$3,200; and Instructional Aides to be paid \$15 per hour, to exceed 98 hours.

Motion made by: Dr. James Joy; Motion seconded by: Mrs. Monty Vest
Voting: Unanimously Approved

IX. Information Items

1. Principal Comments
Principals from each school gave the Board a brief update about accomplishments and events at their school.
2. Next Board Meeting - May 25, 2021 - Central Office - 7:00 a.m.

X. Adjournment

With no further business, Mr. Sparkman declared this meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Chairperson