

## **MEETING MINUTES**

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### Attendees

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#### **Voting Members**

Dr. James Joy, President  
Mrs. Monty Vest, Vice President  
Mr. Daxton Maze, Board Member  
Mr. Randy Sparkman, Board Member

#### **Non-Voting Members**

Dr. Dee Dee Jones, Superintendent

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#### **I. Call to Order**

The Board President, Dr. James Joy, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### **II. Establishment of Quorum**

The Board President, Dr. James Joy, declared that a quorum was present. All members were in attendance except Mrs. Venita Jones.

#### **III. Adoption of Agenda**

A recommendation was made to approve the agenda.

Motion made by: Mr. Daxton Maze; Motion seconded by: Mrs. Monty Vest  
Voting: Unanimously Approved

#### **IV. Action Items**

##### **1. Recommendation to Approve to EPA Clean Bus Program**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the following EPA Clean Bus Program Initiatives:

- for Hartselle City Schools to apply for the 2022 EPA Clean School Bus grant. This grant provides incentives for school districts to replace diesel fuel-powered buses with electric buses.
- to purchase up to 5 electric school buses under the EPA Clean Bus program grant (if approved). The purchases will be made from Southland Transportation via the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement.

Motion made by: Mr. Randy Sparkman; Motion seconded by: Dr. James Joy  
Voting: Unanimously Approved.

## **2. Recommendation to Approve Meal Price Increases**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve to change the following meal prices:

- Elementary and Intermediate Breakfast prices from \$1.50 to \$1.60
- Elementary, Intermediate, and Junior High Lunch prices from \$2.35 to \$2.45
- Faculty and Staff Breakfast prices from \$2.00 to \$2.25
- Faculty and Staff Lunch prices from \$3.25 to \$3.50

Junior High and High School breakfast will remain the same price of \$1.75 and the high school lunch price will remain the same price of \$2.60.

Motion made by: Mr. Daxton Maze; Motion seconded by: Mrs. Monty Vest  
Voting: Unanimously Approved

## **3. Recommendation to Approve Window Replacement Project**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve to accept the bids for the window replacement project at Hartselle Junior High School:

- Genesis Construction, Inc., Hartselle, Alabama, to provide labor and equipment to complete the scope of work as outlined on Latham Associates, Architects P.C. project number 22-54, at Hartselle Junior High School, in the amount of \$197,000.00
- Sunbelt Glass, Birmingham, Alabama, in the amount of \$141,785.00, to furnish and install windows at Hartselle Junior High School.

Motion made by: Dr. James Joy; Motion seconded by: Mr. Daxton Maze  
Voting: Dr. James Joy – Yes; Mrs. Monty Vest – Yes; Mr. Daxton Maze – Yes;  
Mr. Randy Sparkman - No

## **4. Recommendation to Approve to Reject Bids**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve to reject the bids for the ventilation upgrade at the Vocational Center at Hartselle Junior High School.

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

# **V. Personnel Items**

## **1. Recommendation to Approve Personnel Items**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the following transfers:

## **Transfers**

1. Savanne Howard from the position of Elementary Teacher at F.E. Burleson Elementary School to the position of Elementary Teacher at Crestline Elementary School, effective with the 2022-2023 school year.
2. Tara Pressley from the position of Custodian at Barkley Bridge Elementary School to the position of Custodian, based out of the Central Office, to be assigned to schools for the 2022-2023 school year.
3. Jennifer Sparkman from the position of School Counselor at Hartselle Intermediate School to the position of Assistant Principal at Hartselle Junior High School, effective immediately.
4. Jessica Wimberley from the position of Elementary Teacher at Crestline Elementary School to the position of Elementary Instructional Partner at Barkley Bridge Elementary school, effective with the 2022-2023 school year.

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

## **Employments**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the following employments:

1. Morgan Adcock for the position of Instructional Aide, based out of the Central Office, to be assigned to schools for the 2022-2023 school year.
2. Lyndsey Bawolek for the position of Instructional Aide, based out of the Central Office, to be assigned to schools, for the 2022-2023 school year.
3. Hollie Bridwell for the position of Part Time Instructional Aide, based out of the Central Office, to be assigned to schools, for the 2022-2023 school year.
4. Josh LyBrand for the position of Special Education Teacher at Hartselle Junior High School for the 2022-2023 school year.
5. Nick Roberson for the position of Custodian, based out of the Central Office, to be assigned to schools for the 2022-2023 school year, pending background clearance.
6. Phyllis Wright for the position of Elementary Teacher at F.E. Burleson Elementary School, effective with the 2022-2023 school year.

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

## **Stipends & Supplements**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the following stipends and supplements:

1. The following Hartselle Junior High School teachers to be paid \$30 an hour to provide tutoring services for the 2022-2023 school year, to be paid from ESSER funds: Jessica Johnson, Brittany Aldridge, Dana Sharp, Michaela Leudesdorf, and Beverly Phillips.

2. Shane Russell to receive payment for a mid-day bus route to transport athletes from Hartselle Junior High School for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion made by: Mr. Daxton Maze; Motion seconded by: Mr. Randy Sparkman  
Voting: Unanimously Approved

### **Substitutes and Extended Day**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the following substitutes and extended day:

1. Add the following to the substitute list, effective August 1, 2022: Nora Hollingsworth, Alyssa Guzman, Dana McCutcheon, and Kelley Rochelle.
2. Tim Miller to work as a long-term substitute at Hartselle High School to cover a History vacancy, effective August 3, 2022 until August 31, 2022.
3. Sara Woodall to work as a long-term substitute at F.E. Burleson Elementary School to cover a 1st Grade vacancy, effective August 29, 2022 until December 1, 2022.
4. The following Hartselle Intermediate School teachers to work Extended Day for the 2022-2023 school year, to be paid with HIS Extended Day funds: Directors- Julie Rhodes, Amy Warner, and Karen Wingenter; Teachers- Dewana Bowling, Dawn Zanda, Suzanne Mosely, Sonya McKelvey, Kelley Spangler, and Luke Southerland.

Motion made by: Mrs. Monty Vest; Motion seconded by: Mr. Daxton Maze  
Voting: Unanimously Approved

### **Retirement**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the following retirement:

1. Dr. Dee Dee Jones from the position of Superintendent, effective September 1, 2022.

Motion made by: Mrs. Monty Vest; Motion seconded by: Mr. Daxton Maze  
Voting: Unanimously Approved

## **2. Principal Contracts**

The Superintendent made the recommendation to approve the following principal contracts:

1. Tina Kimbrell, for a two-year Probationary Secondary Principal Contract, effective July 12, 2022 - June 30, 2024.
2. Laura Lamb, for a two-year Probationary Elementary Principal Contract, effective July 12, 2022 - June 30, 2024.

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

### **3. Recommendation to Approve Contract Negotiations**

Dr. Joy made the recommendation to approve for the Board president and vice president to enter into contract negotiations with Dr. Susan Patterson as a candidate to become the Hartselle City Schools Interim Superintendent effective September 1, 2022.

Motion made by: Mr. Randy Sparkman; Motion seconded by: Mrs. Monty Vest  
Voting: Dr. Joy – yes; Mrs. Vest – yes; Mr. Maze – no; Mr. Sparkman – yes  
The recommendation was approved by a majority vote.

### **VI. Board Discussion**

The Board President opened the floor for board members to discuss the upcoming Superintendent search. It was the consensus of the board members to engage Lanier Ford law firm for the Superintendent search and hiring process. Mr. Woody Sanderson, who works with Lanier Ford and currently serves as the Board Attorney will be leading the search and hiring process.

### **VII. Information Items**

1. Upcoming Board Meetings - August 23, 2022 - Central Office - 6:00 PM

### **VIII. Adjournment**

With no further business, Dr. James Joy, Board President, declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Chairman