



Clayton County Board of Education
Board Work Session / Meeting
January 9, 2023
6:00 PM

1058 Fifth Avenue
Jonesboro, GA 30236

Building a Better Tomorrow, Today

Members Present: Ms. Jessie Goree (Chair), Mr. Benjamin Straker (Vice-Chair), Ms. Mary Baker, Ms. Jasmine Bowles (via technology), Mr. Mark Christmas, Ms. Joy Tellis Cooper, Dr. Dee Haney, Ms. Sabrina Hill, Ms. Victoria Williams and Dr. Anthony Smith, Interim Superintendent

SUMMARY

Executive Session (5:15 PM / Closed to the Public)

I. Call to Order

Called to order for the purpose of going into executive session.

Purpose: Personnel, land and legal matters.

Motion Made: For the Board to enter executive session for the purpose of personnel, land and legal matters.

Motion: Mr. Christmas

Second: Ms. Williams

Vote: Unanimous

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Dr. Anthony Smith, Interim Superintendent.

III. Election of Board Officers

Dr. Smith proceeded over the election of Board Chair and Vice Chair.

A. Board Chair

Nominations were made for Ms. Bowles and Ms. Goree to be the Board Chair. By a unanimous vote the Board elected Ms. Goree to serve as the Board Chair.

B. Board Vice Chair

Nominations were made for Mr. Straker and Ms. Hill to be the Vice Chair. By a unanimous vote the Board elected Mr. Straker to serve as the Board Vice Chair.

IV. Ethics Statement

The ethics statement was read by Ms. Goree.

V. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion Made: For the Board to approve the agenda for the January 9, 2023 Board Work Session/Board meeting as presented.

Motion: Mr. Christmas

Second: Ms. Hill

Vote: Unanimous

VI. Message from Interim Superintendent - Dr. Anthony Smith

Dr. Smith thanked the board, staff and community for their support. He also shared his vision for "Building a Better Tomorrow, Today".

VII. Board Recognitions

The Interim Superintendent and Board stepped down for board recognitions.

VIII. Public Participation

The following individuals signed up to speak:

- Allen Lee – frustrated bus drivers
- Stephanie Giddy – school zoning and proper housing for the community
- Dr. LaWanda Folami – Blessings for Ms. Joy Tellis Cooper for what she is doing for the community
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IX. Executive Session Recommendations

1. Senior Deputy Superintendent Chief of Staff – Dr. Douglas Hendrix Sr.

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith, Interim Superintendent, recommendation of Dr. Douglas Hendrix Sr. for the position of Senior Deputy Superintendent Chief of Staff.

Motion: Ms. Baker

Second: Ms. Hill

Vote: Unanimous

2. Deputy Superintendent Administrative Services – Dr. Ralph Simpson

Motion made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith’s recommendation of Dr. Ralph Simpson for the position of Deputy Superintendent Administrative Services.

Motion: Ms. Bowles

Second: Mr. Straker

Vote: Unanimous

3. Deputy Superintendent Teaching & Learning and Strategic Improvement – Dr. Delphia Young

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith’s recommendation of Dr. Delphia Young for the position of Deputy Superintendent Teaching & Learning and Strategic Improvement.

Motion: Ms. Goree

Second: Dr. Haney

Vote: Unanimous

4. Interim Assistant Chief Finance – Yoshi Barber

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith’s recommendation of Yoshi Barber for the position of Interim Assistant Chief Finance.

Motion: Mr. Christmas

Second: Ms. Baker

Vote: Unanimous

5. Chief Student Support Services – Dr. Keith Colbert

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith’s recommendation of Dr. Keith Colbert for the position of Chief Student Support Services.

Motion: Ms. Tellis Cooper

Second: Mr. Straker

Vote: Unanimous

6. Interim Assistant Superintendent Cluster B – Lonnie Farmer

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith’s recommendation of Lonnie Farmer for the position of Interim Assistant Superintendent Cluster B.

Motion: Ms. Goree

Second: Dr. Haney

Vote: Unanimous

7. Interim Assistant Superintendent Cluster C – Derrick Manning

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith’s recommendation of Derrick Manning for the position of Interim Assistant Superintendent Cluster C.

Motion: Ms. Williams

Second: Ms. Hill

Vote: Unanimous

8. Interim Principal Forest Park High School – Dr. Kim Dancy

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith's recommendation of Dr. Kim Dancy for the position of Interim Principal Forest Park High School.

Motion: Ms. Williams

Second: Ms. Hill

Vote: Unanimous

9. Interim Principal Eddie White Middle School – Dr. Kim Dancy

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith's recommendation of Dr. Micki Sims-Harris for the position of Interim Principal Eddie White Middle School.

Motion: Ms. Bowles

Second: Ms. Baker

Vote: Unanimous

10. Coordinator Elementary Math – Tiffanie Nealy

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith's recommendation of Tiffanie Nealy for the position of Coordinator Elementary Math.

Motion: Ms. Goree

Second: Ms. Tellis-Cooper

Vote: Unanimous

11. Coordinator Instructional Resources – Dekea Lemon

Motion Made: For the Board to approve Dr. Smith's recommendation of Dekea Lemon for the position of Coordinator Instructional Resources.

Motion: Ms. Bowles

Second: Mr. Christmas

Vote: Unanimous

X. Announcements

Announcements for upcoming events were made by Mr. Straker, Board Vice Chair.

XI. Approval of Minutes

Board Members had no corrections or objections to the below minutes. Therefore, Ms. Goree declared them approve as submitted.

A. Minutes - Board Work Session November 28, 2022

B. Minutes - Board Meeting December 5, 2022

XII. Updates to the Board

There were no updates to the Board at this meeting.

XIII. The Consent Agenda (for action) - All Consent Agenda Items will be presented prior to voting

Prior to the Board voting on the consent agenda. Item A. Financial Report was pulled for a separate vote.

Motion Made: For the Board to approve the below consent agenda with the exception of Item A. Financial Report as submitted.

Motion: Mr. Straker

Second: Mr. Christmas

Vote: Unanimous

A. Financial Report

Motion Made: For the Board to approve the Financial Report as submitted.

Motion: Ms. Baker

Second: Ms. Tellis-Cooper

Vote: 7-Yes, 1-No, 1-Abstain

B. Budget Amendment

C. SPLOST Revenue Report

D. Purchasing Report

E. SPLOST Construction Report

F. Personnel Changes Report

G. Panel Members List for Employee Tribunal Hearings

H. CCPS Student International Travel 2023

XIV. Board Matters

There were no Board Matters for discussion.

XV. The Business Agenda (for action)

None

XVI. Adjournment

Adjourned 7:25 PM

NOTE: This is a summary of the January 9, 2023 Board Work Session / Board Meeting of the Clayton County Board of Education. The official minutes will be voted on at the next regular business meeting of the Board and will be made available to the public thereafter.