

ATHENS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 15, 2022

6:30 P.M. Central Office Board Room

This meeting was conducted in full compliance with § 36-25A-1, et seq. of the *Code of Alabama*, commonly referred to as the “Alabama Open Meeting Law”. Present were approximately 14 members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER: Beverly Malone – Board President called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Members Present: Anthony Townsend
Beth Patton, Superintendent
Scott Henry
Shannon Hutton
Jennifer Manville, Board Vice-President

1. Mr. Henry opened the meeting with prayer.
2. Mrs. Manville led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Mrs. Hutton moved that the board approve the agenda. Mrs. Manville seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
4. There was no public input.
5. Mr. Lee Edminson, Facilities Manager for ACS gave an update on current projects within the system:

James Cowart - Roof

We are down to some fascia trim, misc. finish metals...delay in getting material from supplier....
We were told the material will be here next week...

Clinton Street - Gym HVAC

Still waiting on Electrical gear...we have reached out to Square D for an update, but as of today they have not responded to our request...

Rec Center - Weight Room HVAC

A spiral duct has been ordered....we requested a ship date yesterday, but as of today no response from the manufacturer

The HVAC unit has a ship date of 6/16/23

Stadium - Track

Contract work is complete...just waiting on some close-out documents

There are some areas after the work has taken place that we are looking at doing some concrete slope paving. This was due to the track being brought up to the current standards....

Stadium - Visitor Bleachers

We are starting the process to replace the bleachers....

Current seating “per Code” is just over 1,000...we will replace with same number of seats...this will also bring the visitors side up to Current ADA / Life Safety codes

AMS - Canopy

Contracts approved...

Shop drawings are 8-10 weeks/material 8-10 weeks / fabrication 2-4 weeks
Best case 22 - 24 weeks

Athens Elementary - New Building

Student Tours - kids were very excited to walk through

We are moving in... a Final big push to move everything Friday with Monday as a pick-up day... Teachers have been coming by during planning periods....

We are meeting with the teachers tomorrow to go over any punch items they have found and how to report

First Responder signal booster:

Wire has been pulled

Some components came in today and they will start installing what they can...

The remaining items are scheduled for Dec 19 installation / Internal Test on Dec 20th / State Inspections on Dec 21st...

Athens High - Auditorium

Met with Newcomb & Boyd (Audio-Visual/Theatrical) today. We reviewed what was left in place and what will need to be added...

We will do a base bid w/ some alternate adds...see where we will be with the budget

Julian Newman

We are continuing with the design process...

The only change is the cafeteria will not be used as the storm shelter...current codes call for more sq/ footage not feasible to increase the cafe to accommodate...we will do a design similar to AES and use Pre - K classrooms & halls as the storm shelter.

This will allow natural light in the cafe and the younger students will not have to travel...

6. Upon Superintendent Patton's recommendation of the following items, Mr. Henry moved that the Board approve the items set forth below in the consent agenda. Mrs. Manville seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion, with all five members voting yes.

A. Consent Items Approved:

1. Approval of Minutes – November 17, 2022
2. Paid Payables – October 2022
3. Paid Payables – November 2022
4. Financial Statements – October 2022
5. Financial Statements – November 2022
6. Personnel
7. Volunteers
8. Field Trip Request – ASH SCA (Overnight and Out-of-State)
9. Field Trip Request – AHS Varsity Softball (Overnight and Out-of-State)
10. Field Trip Request – AHS Varsity Softball (Overnight)
11. Resolution Concerning the Entrance to Waffle House Along Highway 31

B. Personnel Items Approved:

A. Resignation

1. Anna Russell – Kindergarten Teacher at BES

B. Retirement

1. Kathy VanderMarkt – Bus Driver for ACS

C. Transfer

1. Kasey Starnes – Kindergarten Teacher at BES to Library Media Specialist at BES

D. Employment

1. Hannah Mann - Elementary Teacher at BES
2. Savannah Boyd - Elementary Teacher at BES
3. Michelle Stewart - System-Wide Instructional Aide at AES
4. Mellissa Wilson - CNP Worker/Cashier at AHS
5. Breeanna Fuller - 3rd Grade Teacher at CES
6. James Crowder - Secondary Math Teacher for ACS
7. Kylie Hicks - SPED Teacher at AIS

E. Leave of Absence

1. Courtney Bell

F. Cancellation of Contracted Services

1. Melissa Godwin – ARS
2. Michelle Stewart – ACS

G. Contracted Services

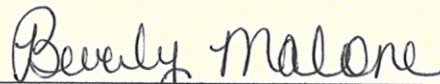
1. Gage Coker - Arena Jumbotron Worker
2. Andrew Carter - Announcer for Christmas Basketball Tournament
3. James Horn - Contract Bus Driver
4. Sharon Kilgore - Contracted Substitute Teacher
5. Mary Beth Bryant - Contracted Instructional Aide at BES
6. Chase Smith - Latchkey Assistant at BES

7. Superintendent's Report is attached.
8. An Executive Session was not needed.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business; the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Hutton.



Mrs. Beth Patton
Superintendent



Mrs. Beverly Malone, President



Superintendent's Report

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ATTENDANCE REPORT

School	August 2022	October 2022	November 2022	December 2022
iAcademy @ AES	336+65	339+69	349+73	348 + 75
FAME Academy @ BES	349+18	346+18	346+18	347 +20
SPARK Academy @ CES	314+18	314+18	317+22	312 + 21
HEART Academy @ JNES	333+38	334+37	340+40	343 +40
Athens Intermediate	587	584	588	591
Athens Middle	952	949	947	950
Athens High	1164	1166	1162	1160
Athens Renaissance	658	641	644	641
Total	4,832	4,815	4,846	4,848

SCHOOLS REPORT

Athens Intermediate School

Wow what a year at Athens Intermediate School!

Staff and students have been busy at AIS. We have enjoyed field trips to the cotton gin, Golden Dress Up Daze, Blue Origin Writing Assembly and the after school bash. Everyone was ready for the Thanksgiving break.

Students, Paloma Lopez, Landon Harrington, and Temperance Martin entered the writing contest for City Hall about what they love about Athens. Holly Hollman from City Hall will be coming to school to meet with the students, give them their prizes, and zoom with the people from Scotland that selected the winners.

December holds Wellness Screenings (who schedules this during the holidays)!

Christmas parties for the students and field trips to Huntsville Broadway Theater's A Very Electric Christmas on December 16.

Our own AP, Neil Turner, has been chosen as AVID's next Staff Developer. He will receive special training and travel this summer to lead professional development. Congratulations! AIS is very proud of you.

Athens Middle School

AMS held its annual Choir and Band Holiday concert for AMS students, staff and parents. The Choir and Band sounded fantastic and helped to get AMS in the Holiday spirit! Thanks to Mrs. Edwards and Mr. Griffin for all that they do with our choir and band programs.

Congratulations to AMS Cheer for placing first in State in the Junior High and Game Day divisions. This is the 4th State win in a row for AMS Cheer! We are proud of your hard work, dedication and Golden Eagle Spirit! Nationals in Orlando is next!

Basketball and Wrestling season are well underway. The student athletes are working hard and having success on the court and on the mat.

Athens High School

- **Decembers' Career Tech Students of the Month are:**

Hospitality and Tourism: Amayah Malone

Engineering: Ethan and Maverick Tynes

- Theatre students Beasley Hargrove and Nate Bennett attended the Trumbauer Theatre state competition at Troy University. Beasley received Superior ratings in her individual performance. Nate received Excellent ratings in his. Together they received Excellent in their duet!
- The AHS Scholars' Bowl Team competed in the West Point High Winter Invitational. They ended the day with a record of 4-2. The Eagles beat teams from Good Hope, Grissom, Oak Mountain, and St. Bernard.
- Meredith Hicks was chosen as Miss Merry Christmas and represented us in the Christmas Parade.
- Jazz Band performed at the Rotary December Luncheon.
- JROTC held its annual Jingle Bell Jog.
- Choir held its Holiday Concert this month.
- The AHS Band performed its "A Christmas Spectacular" concert.
- The AHS JROTC and AHS Marching Band participated in the Athens-Limestone County Christmas Parade.
- Approximately 80 Cowart Elementary Second Graders visited our engineering department two days to complete a design challenge with some of our engineering students.
- AHS has enjoyed the Deck the Halls Door Decorating Contest. The students and teachers got very creative with their themes for this project. Each student was also given a clear ornament to decorate for their Class Tree. The students' creative minds went to work with the materials and themes they selected for the ornaments. Even the Central Office staff got in on the project and decorated ten and brought over.

SPORTS REPORT

FALL SPORTS:

- Our AHS Cheer Team is the 2022 6A Alabama State Champions.
- Congratulations to the following AHS student athletes for continuing their academic and athletic careers on the next level. They signed NIL's on November 30, in the Sports Arena.

Gracie Ausley	Softball	Jackson State Community Colleg
Cori Campbell	Softball	Calhoun Community College
Caden Guimarin	Cross Country	Calhoun Community College
Case Hagood	Golf	The University of Tennessee Southern
Chloe Jackson	Volleyball	Wallace State Community College
Shamya Linder	Softball	The University of Iowa
Logan Mooney	Baseball	UAH
Deann Motquin	Softball	Northwest Shoals Community College
Jude Parnell	Cross Country	Calhoun Community College
Abbi Tucker	Softball	Calhoun Community College
Nolen Wolfe	Golf	Samford University
- Eleven members of the Swim Team competed in Auburn in the AHSAA State Swim Meet. Troy Young competed individually in a 50 Free and was awarded a medal for his event. A boys and girls relay each competed as well.

Members of the girls relay

Isabella Monseaux
Tess Higginbotham
Samanta Otten
Mae Martin
Alternates were
Erika Byington
Danica Otten

Members of the boys relay

Charlie Martin
Payton Bright
Seth Henry
Sam Jordan
Troy Young

WINTER SPORTS:

- Basketball and Wrestling are in full swing. Each team is doing well with their games/matches. Over Christmas break, Girls basketball is participating in the Holiday Invitational in Cleveland, Tennessee. The Boys Basketball team will travel to Scottsboro for the Don Webb Classic. Wrestling has a tournament meet in Cleveland, Tennessee.
- Indoor Track season begins on Saturday, December 10, at the Birmingham Crossplex.

SPRING SPORTS are continuing to work on conditioning and skill development. Official practices will begin in January 2023.