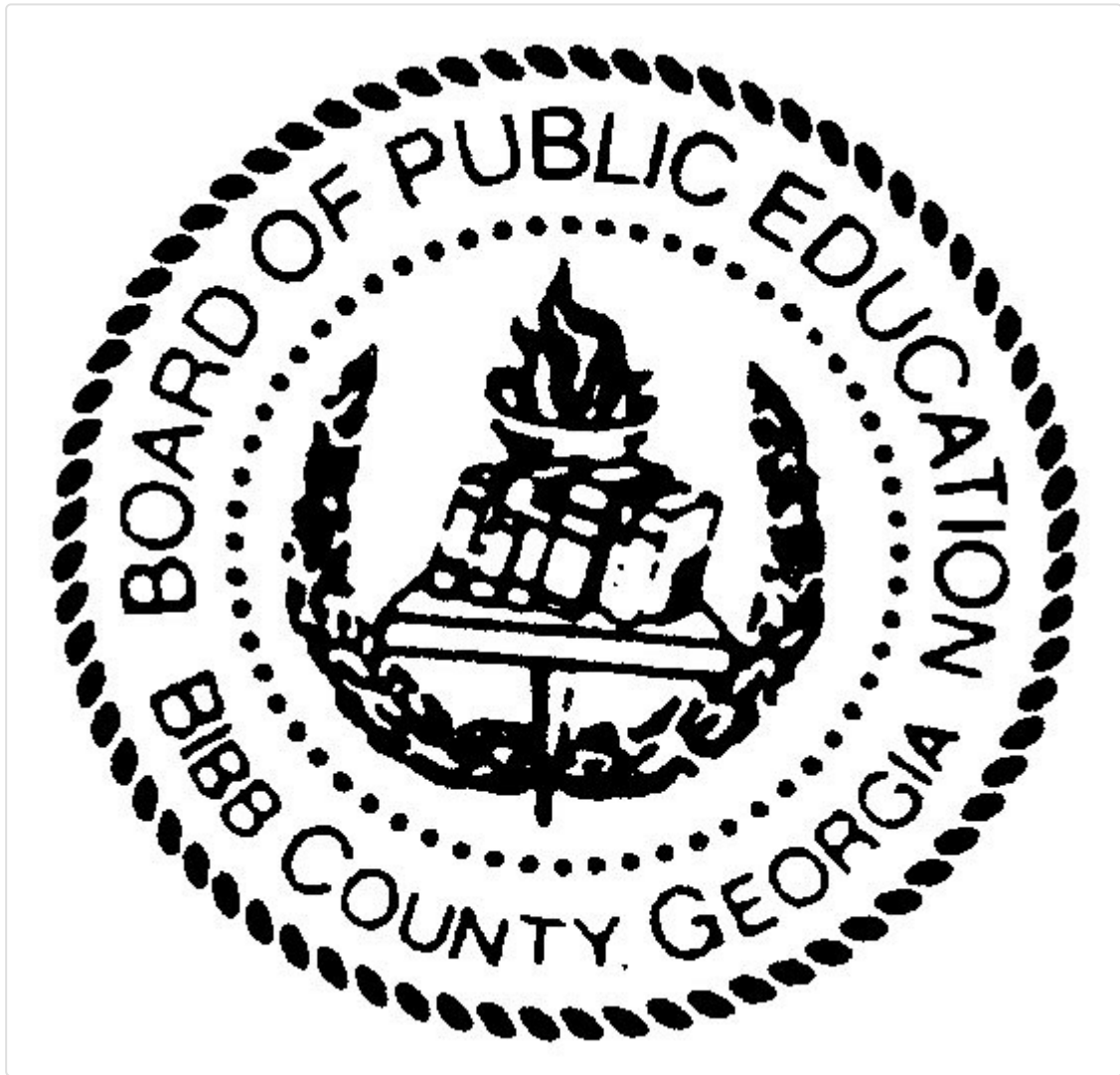


The Board Brief

November 18, 2021



This edition of The Board Brief is a summary of the information presented and actions taken at the Board of Education Meeting on November 18, 2021.

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Actions

[Board Appoints Athletic Director, Authorizes Personnel Items](#)

On Thursday, November 18, Board members approved various personnel items including naming Kevin Grooms the District's next Director of Athletics. To view all personnel items, [click here](#).

Board Approves Fiscal Year 2022 General Fund Amendment

On Thursday, November 18, Board members approved Fiscal Year 2022 General Fund Amendment 1. For more information, [click here](#).

Board Approves ESPLOST Oversight Committee

On Thursday, November 18, Board members approved the Education Special Purpose Local Options Sales Tax (ESPLOST) Advisory Committee representatives. In August 2021, the Board adopted Policy BBF – Advisory Committees, authorizing the implementation of an ESPLOST Advisory Committee. Each Board Member will appoint a Committee Member to represent their respective district for Districts 1-6. Districts 7 and 8 are alternating Board Liaisons. For more information, [click here](#).

Board Authorizes Various Operational Expenditures

On Thursday, November 18, Board members approved various operational and financial expenditures:

A contract with International City Builders (ICB) to serve as the construction manager of at-risk services for renovations at:

- Lane Elementary School (Phase two)
- Union Elementary School
- Miller Magnet Middle School

The funds will be paid out of 2021 Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST). For more information on the aforementioned operational expenditures, [click here](#).

Board Reviews Policies

Board members reviewed various policies for first or second reading on November 18, 2021. Policies must be read twice before they may be voted on for final action. To review the policies, [click here](#).

- PR-1 Revision of Policy FDBA – Existing Facilities Inventory (Rescinding) (ACTION – Second Reading)
- PR-2 Revision of Policy FGDA – Facilities Projects Contracts Fair Employment Clause (ACTION – Second Reading)
- PR-3 Policy GBC - Professional Personnel Recruitment (First Reading)
- PR-4 Policy GBN - Professional Personnel Termination (First Reading)

Stakeholders are encouraged to review policies posted after first reading and make public comment via Simbli before the proposed policies are brought back before the Board for action the following month. Simbli may be accessed through the District's website, www.bcsdk12.net, under "About Us" and "Simbli." On [Simbli](#), "Pending Policies" will appear on the right side of the screen.

Information

Board Reviews Proposed 2022 Legislative Priorities

On Thursday, November 18, Board members were informed of the Georgia Education Coalition's (GEC) efforts to seek legislative priorities from school districts to prepare for the upcoming 2022 legislative session of the Georgia General Assembly. Members are not required to submit legislative priorities, but the GEC wants to give all members an opportunity to submit legislative priorities. The Georgia Department of Education's legislative priorities are as follows:

1. Increasing support for students with disabilities
2. Elevating the teaching profession and strengthening the teacher pipeline
3. Strengthening the partnership between schools and community
4. Funding public education
5. Federal priorities

The legislative priorities of the Georgia Department of Education serve as a model for Bibb County Board of Education in deciding upon its legislative priorities. The Board has until November 25, 2021, to submit its legislative priorities to the GEC. For more information, [click here](#).

Tentative FY 2023 Budget Calendar Shared

On Thursday, November 18, Board members reviewed the Tentative FY 2023 Budget Calendar. Board Policy DCCA directs the District to provide a budget calendar annually for the ensuing fiscal year. The budget calendar must provide target dates for meetings such as budget work sessions, public hearings, committee and board meetings for tentative and final adoption of the budget. The Tentative FY 2023 Budget Calendar will serve to guide the District through the upcoming FY 2023 budget process. For more information, [click here](#).

Board Informed of ESPLOST Schedule of Expenditures

On Thursday, November 18, Board members reviewed the annual requirement for reporting (as well as a newspaper publication of the report) for all governing authorities that receive Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) or Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST) proceeds in accordance with Georgia Code § 48-8-122.

The reports are for the 2016 ESPLOST and 2021 ESPLOST funding ending on June 30, 2021. Both reports will be published in The Telegraph on Wednesday, November 24, 2021. They will also be included on the Bibb County School District's website under Finance. For more information, [click here](#).

District to Conduct Maximizing Scheduling Kickoff

On Thursday, November 18, Board members were informed that District and school leaders will be involved in the Maximizing Scheduling Kickoff on the District's next asynchronous day (Monday, November 29, 2021). The District has engaged in ongoing discussions with principals. The purpose of this professional learning is to continue collaborative dialogue by addressing scheduling needs and building a consensus of scheduling solutions.

The Maximizing Scheduling Kickoff professional learning will:

- Create clarity and improve our internal processes by introducing the district's new monthly planning guide;
- Support innovative approaches that strategically place students in course pathways that will meet their needs; and
- Provide an opportunity for schools to profoundly impact post school readiness, increase our graduation rate, and provide post-secondary options for all students.

For more information, [click here](#).

Board Reviews Monthly Financial Report

On Thursday, November 18, Board members reviewed the District's monthly financial report.

For more information, [click here](#).

Board Receives Presentation from Capital Improvement Program

On Thursday, November 18, Board members received a presentation in regards to the 2011 and 2016 Capital Improvement Program, including information on expenditures and encumbrances.

For more information, [click here](#).

Board Reviews Investments, Investment Income and Bonds Report

On Thursday, November 18, Board members reviewed a presentation about the Investments and Investment Income report as well as the monthly Bond report associated with 2020 project accounts. For more information, [click here](#).

Highlights and Recognitions

District Leaders Win GAMSP Awards

Three District leaders were recognized for winning awards from the Georgia Association of Middle School Principals. Weaver Middle School's Crystal Graham Childers was honored with the Jerry Davis Distinguished Principal Award, while Miller Magnet Middle School's Shandreka Gibson received the Hal Beaver Georgia Outstanding Assistant Principal Award. Additionally Dr. Jesse Davis, one of the District's executive officers, won the John H. Lounsbury Award for Distinguished Achievement in Middle Level Education.



Crystal Graham Childers



Shandreka Gibson



Dr. Jesse Davis

District Celebrates Read for the Record Efforts

In honor of November being Picture Book Month, the Board of Education honored community members for their role in supporting Read for the Record on October 28, 2021. Specifically, the following community partners were recognized for their support of the event: United Way of Central Georgia, Middle Georgia Regional Libraries, Macon Service League, Rotary Club of Macon, Macon (GA) Chapter of The Links, Inc., Macon-Bibb County Mayor Lester Miller, and the Audio/Video Technology and Film Pathway, W.S. Hutchings College and Career Academy.

Click [here](#) to watch a video regarding Read for the Record 2021:



Cenergistic Makes Energy Program Presentation

A dedicated two years-long effort to create healthier, more efficient buildings not only paid off financially for the Bibb County School District but is earning industry recognition for setting an example for others to follow. The District has cut expected energy use by 29 percent since partnering with Cenergistic, a national energy conservation company, and Board members and administrators were presented with the Cenergistic Best-In-Class recognition at Thursday's Board meeting.



Hannah Newberry, Rutland High School Class of 2021, led the Pledge of Allegiance at the Bibb County Board of Education meeting on November 18, 2021. Hannah placed 4th representing Rutland High at the National FFA Convention and Expo in Indiana in October 2021.



Proclamation

On Thursday, November 18, Macon-Bibb County Mayor Lester Miller recognized Rutland High School graduate Savion Wright for his service in the United States Air Force and his selection as the Communities in Schools of Central Georgia Alumnus of the Year. The proclamation declared December 6th as "Savion Wright Day" in Macon-Bibb County.

Wright graduated from Rutland in 2017 and, through the support of Communities in Schools, was able to enlist in the Air Force. He has since been deployed to Qatar and assisted with recent evacuations from Afghanistan before returning to the United States.

