Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
May 15, 2025	Action Item 7

Title

Cherokee County Board of Education Resolution

Requested Action

School Board Adoption of Cherokee County Board of Education Resolution

Summary Explanation and Background

Please see the attached resolution relative to HB845.

Financial Impact

TBD

Exhibits: (List)

Resolution

Source of Additional Information

Janet Read Welch, School Board Chairman 770.479.1871

CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Cherokee County School Board is eager to partner and collaborate with the Cherokee County Legislative Delegation to serve Cherokee County citizens and provide quality education to Cherokee County students while maintaining fiscal transparency and responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Cherokee County School District (CCSD) presently employs two internal auditors to conduct performance and financial audits of schools, departments and the School District to determine if implemented activities and programs are being conducted and funds expended in compliance with applicable local, State and Federal policies, procedures and laws; and

WHEREAS, CCSD has recently created, and the Cherokee County School Board has approved, a position for Legal Compliance and a position to conduct internal investigations; and

WHEREAS, CCSD is subject to an independent, third-party audit annually; and

WHEREAS, CCSD produces an Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and statutorily-required monthly, comprehensive financial reports to the School Board; and

WHEREAS, HB845 calls for an internal auditor for the purpose of elevating financial transparency and clarity; and

WHEREAS, HB845 calls for an internal auditor funded by the Cherokee County Board of Education who would have "the power to appoint, employ, and remove such assistants, employees, and personnel as he or she may deem necessary;" and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cherokee County School Board and CCSD will:

1. Distribute directly to the Members of the Cherokee County Legislative Delegation the independent, third-party audit report, annual Comprehensive Financial Report, statutorily-required, monthly financial report to the School Board, and other pertinent reports (e.g., credit rating reports, internal audits, Federal program audits, etc.) as produced and continue to post to the District website and report annually in a public School Board meeting; and
2. Identify a single point of contact to address questions relative to financial data, forecasts, reports, etc.; and
3. Schedule two meetings per year to review financial matters with the Cherokee County Legislative Delegation; and
4. Maintain the School Board's authority to employ a Superintendent and the Superintendent's responsibility to supervise, staff, and conduct personnel actions as it pertains to the daily operations of the School District.
5. Seek clarity as to the scope of work required pursuant to HB845.

Adopted this 15th day of May, 2025, by the Cherokee County Board of Education.

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Janet Read Welch, Chairman