Cherokee County Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting - Work Session
10/16/2025 05:30 PM
1205 Bluffs Parkway, Canton, GA 30114

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees - Voting Members

Janet Read Welch, Board Chair
Patsy Jordan, Vice-Chair
Kelly Poole, Board Member
Chance Beam, Board Member
Robert Rechsteiner, Board Member
Erin Ragsdale, Board Member
Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison, Board Member

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Janet Read Welch called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. SUPERINTENDENT WELCOME

Dr. Davis welcomed everyone in attendance.

III. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

1. Academics and Accountability:

a. Dr. Josh Heath, Chief Academics and Accountability Officer

Provided a report on CCSD 2025 graduation rate, SAT performance and ACT Performance, as information.

2. Finance:

a. Kenneth Owen, Chief Financial Officer

Provided the monthly finance report, as information.

3. Capital Outlay:

a. Trey Moores, Chief Support Services Officer

Provided the monthly Capital Outlay report, as information.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison made a motion at 5:47 p.m. to move into an executive session to discuss A Personnel Matter (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3(6)), and a Legal Matter (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-2). The motion was seconded by Kelly Poole and approved by the Board with a 7/0 vote.

Kelly Poole made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:45 p.m. seconded by Patsy Jordan. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The work session meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Janet Read Welch
School Board Chair

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Mary Elizabeth Davis
Superintendent

Cherokee County School District

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Regular Board Meeting - Business Session
10/16/2025 07:00 PM
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Attendees - Voting Members

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Patsy Jordan, Vice-Chair
Kelly Poole, Board Member
Chance Beam, Board Member
Robert Rechsteiner, Board Member
Erin Ragsdale, Board Member
Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison, Board Member

I. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Janet Read Welch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS/REMARKS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

IV. RECOGNITIONS

1. **National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists**
2. **CCSD School Nurse of the Year and Innovation Zone Winners**
3. **20325-2027 State School Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council**
4. **Zone Principals for the Year**
5. **2025-26 Learning from Legends Honorees**

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
One member of the public signed up to address the school board.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
On a motion by Kelly Poole and seconded by Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison and carried the Board approved the minutes of the Work Session and Business Board Meeting held on September 18, 2025. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

VII. ACTIONS

1. **Proclamation in Honor of Retired Educators Day**
   Patsy Jordan made a motion to approve a Proclamation in Honor of Retired Educators Day as presented, seconded by Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

2. **Declare Surplus Property and Dispose of Said Property**
Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison made a motion to approve declaring surplus property and disposing of said property as presented, seconded by Janet Read Welch. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote

3. **Partnership Agreement Renewals**
Kelly Poole made a motion to approve two partnership agreement renewals - Cherokee Retired Educators Association and City of Holly Springs - as presented, seconded by Erin Ragsdale. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

4. **School Board Policy BBE on First Reading**
Robert Rechsteiner made a motion to approve School Board Policy BBE on First Reading as presented, seconded by Erin Ragsdale. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

5. **Human Resources Employment Recommendations and Reappointments**
Kelly Poole made a motion to approve human resources employment recommendations and reappointments, seconded by Patsy Jordan. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Erin Ragsdale made a motion at 7:35 p.m. to move into an executive session to discuss a Student Discipline Matter (O.C.G.A. Section 20-2-757) and a Legal Matter (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-2). The motion was seconded by Chance Beam and approved by the Board with a 7/0 vote.

Patsy Jordan made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:59 p.m. seconded by Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

Kelly Poole made a motion to uphold the findings and disposition of the Discipline Tribunal panel for Tribunal #25-160792, seconded by Patsy Jordan. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

Patsy Jordan made a motion to enter into a contract with the Law Firm of Roach, Caudill, & Frost as discussed in executive session, seconded by Robert Rechsteiner. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

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Janet Read Welch	Mary Elizabeth Davis
School Board Chair	Superintendent