

Colbert County Schools
Board Meeting
June 25, 2021

The Colbert County Board of Education met on June 25, 2021 at the office of the Superintendent. The time of the meeting was 5:00 p.m. All members were present except Member Barnes. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and an invocation was held.

A change was made to the agenda, number 7 under action items was removed to discuss at a later date. Upon a motion by Member Yarber and a second by Member Saint, the agenda was approved with the change made.

Upon a motion by Member Saint and a second by Member Burgess, the minutes of the May 20, 2021 Board Meeting was approved.

Upon a motion by Member Witt and a second by Member Saint, the minutes of the May 26, 2021 Board Meeting was approved.

Superintendent Hand address the board with the following information;

- After July 6, 2021 all board meetings are to be held in person. We can no longer have a querum with board members via Zoom.
- Summer Programs are going very well, students are making large strides in our Literacy programs.
- ESSER II budget has approved. ESSER IIIs application is due August 23, 2021

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval of the Scholastic Month Payroll \$2,270,235.53 and the Bills and Accounts \$456,994.94 for May 2021. Member Witt moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Saint seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval of FY2021 Budget Amendment #1. Member Yarber moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Burgess seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval of the following overnight/out-of-state field trips;

- Cherokee High School FFA Officers to Leadership Training at Mississippi FFA Center, Raymond, Mississippi, July 6, 2021 to July 8, 2021

Member Yarber moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Witt seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval to declare CTE items, desk, and tables at Cherokee High School as surplus and dispose of or sell at fair market value. Member Saint moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Yarber seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval to pay supplement to Richard Rushing for softball coaching duties. Member Saint moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Witt seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval of the recommended Athletic Policy. Member Yarber moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Witt seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval to declare technology and other departmental items collected since May 20, 2021 as surplus, and sequentially dispose of the items in the most feasible and appropriate manner. Member Yarber moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Burgess seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval to purchase premium protection for eligible new Chromebooks received February 2021 in addition to new student Chromebook devices with premium protection. Member Yarber moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Witt seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval to extend bid contracts with CNP vendors; Ecolab, O.K.Produce, and Purity Dairies. Member Witt moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Saint seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Superintendent Hand recommended the approval to rescind employment for Zavier Jackson, Strength and Conditioning Coach, Cherokee High School. Member Burgess moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Saint seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Upon a written recommendation, Superintendent Hand recommended the approval to accept the following resignations:

1. Jessica Gipson, Kindergarten Teacher, Colbert Heights Elementary, effective May 28, 2021

Member Saint moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Burgess seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Upon a written recommendation, Superintendent Hand recommended the approval of the following New Job Assignments:

1. Anna Cowley from Math Teacher at Colbert Heights High School to Intervention Teacher Colbert Heights High School, effective August 2, 2021
2. Lori South from 1st Grade Teacher to Reading Coach at Colbert Heights Elementary, effective August 2, 2021
3. Presley Cantrell from 2nd Grade Teacher to Teacher 1st Grade at Leighton Elementary, effective August 2, 2021
4. Stacy Berryman from 3rd Grade Teacher to 6th Grade Teacher at Leighton Elementary, effective August 2, 2021
5. Brittne Beasley from 3rd Grade Teacher to Pre-K Teacher at Colbert Heights Elementary, effective August 2, 2021

Member Yarber moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Burgess seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Upon a written recommendation, Superintendent Hand recommended the approval to employ the following:

1. Daisy Lambert, Custodian, Cherokee Elementary, effective July 1, 2021
2. Kevin Isbell, Custodian, Cherokee Elementary, effective July 1, 2021
3. Torey Baird, Science Teacher and Baseball Coach, Colbert County High School, effective August 2, 2021
4. Mackenzie Roberts, English Teacher and Softball Coach, Colbert County High School, effective August 2, 2021
5. Josh Sutton, Math Teacher, Cherokee High School, effective August 2, 2021
6. Megan Stratton, English Teacher, Cherokee High School, effective August 2, 2021
7. Jonathan Owen, Credit Recovery Facilitator, Cherokee High School, effective August 2, 2021
8. Brandon Balentine, Science Teacher, Cherokee High School, effective August 2, 2021
9. Jessie Underwood, 5th Grade Teacher, Hatton Elementary, effective August 2, 2021
10. Kacey Hallmark, Pre-K Teacher, Hatton Elementary, effective August 2, 2021
11. Shera Albright, Pre-K Auxiliary Teacher, Hatton Elementary, effective August 2, 2021
12. Richelea Davenport, Speech/Language Pathologist, effective August 2, 2021
13. Michelle Deaton, Special Education Teacher, Colbert Heights High School, effective August 2, 2021
14. Hester Burdett, Special Education Teacher, Colbert County High School, effective August 2, 2021
15. Rachel Ozbrin, Special Education Itinerant Para Professional, effective August 2, 2021
16. Maryjane Hean, 2nd Grade Teacher at Leighton Elementary, effective August 2, 2021
17. Ronda Spencer, 3rd Grade Teacher at Leighton Elementary, effective August 2, 2021
18. Lesa Rose, 4th Grade Teacher at Leighton Elementary, effective August 2, 2021

Member Saint moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Witt seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

Upon a written recommendation, Superintendent Hand recommended the approval of the following Family Medical Leave:

1. Baylee Porter, Colbert Heights Elementary, effective August 6, 2021 to October 18, 2021

Member Yarber moved that the recommendation be approved. Member Saint seconded the motion and the recommendation was passed unanimously.

In other business, Member Witt moved that the board enter into executive session. Member Saint seconded the motion and the board entered into executive session.

Member Yarber moved that the board reconvene at a later time. Member Witt seconded the motion.

After no further business, Member Saint moved that the meeting adjourn. Member Burgess seconded the motion and the motion carried.

President, Sandra James

Member, Ricky Saint

Member, Thomas Barnes

Member, Jackie Witt

Member Thomas Burgess

Member, David Yarber

Secretary, Chris Hand