

CHATTOOGA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 19, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

Chattooga County Board
Office of the Superintendent
Agenda for Board Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Lori Brady. There was a quorum of Board Members present.

Voting Members Present

Lori Brady, Board Chair
Tiffany Lawrence, Board Vice-chair
B.J. Montgomery, Board Member
Eddie Elsberry, Board Member
Bonnie Fletcher, Board Member

Non-voting Members Present

Michelle Helie, Superintendent
Jeremy Heathcock, Assistant Superintendent
Alisha Yoder, Admin. Assistant to the Superintendent

- **Invocation:** Tiffany Lawrence
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** B.J. Montgomery

-A motion to amend the agenda, to make the following changes, was made by Mr. Elsberry, with a second by Mr. Montgomery, and the vote was unanimous:

1. Remove the following name from agenda item A-1:

-Sahsha Montgomery

2. Additions to agenda item G-1:

Certified Recommendation

-Kellie Thomas; Ed. Teacher at Chattooga Academy; replacing Paula Arden; beginning 01/07/2025.

Classified Recommendation

-Teresa Denise Keef; School Food Service Worker; replacing Teresa Luallen; beginning 01/08/2025.

- **Adoption of Superintendent's Recommended Agenda for December 19, 2024 School Board Meeting.**

-A motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Ms. Lawrence, with a second by Mr. Elsberry, and the vote was unanimous.

- **Approve Minutes of Previous Month's Meeting**

- November 7, 2024 monthly meeting

-A motion to approve the previous month's minutes was made by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Mr. Elsberry, and the vote was unanimous.

- **Public Participation: NONE**

A. Resolutions/Recognitions (no action required)

1. 2024-25 REACH Scholarship Recipients

Mariah Harris: Menlo Elementary School

Collin Tucker: Lyrly Elementary School

~~Sahsha Montgomery: Summerville Middle School (Removed)~~

2. District School Spotlight: Chattooga High School

B. School Board Members: NONE

C. School Board Policies: NONE

D. Financial Management

1. Financial Statements for October 31, 2024 and November 30, 2024 (DRAFTS ONLY- no action required).

2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation for approval to renew the current CD at SE First National, for an additional 6 months at a rate of 3.75%.

-A motion to approve D-2 was made by Mr. Elsberry, with a second by Mr. Montgomery, and the vote was unanimous.

E. Educational Programs, Student Support and Staff Development

1. District curriculum/academic update: Robert Beach (no action required)

2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following bus usage requests from Chattooga County 4-H:

-February 1, 2025: To Georgia Highlands College in Rome, Georgia.

-February 28, 2025 – March 2, 2025: To Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton, Georgia.

-June 2, 2025 – June 6, 2025: To Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton, Georgia.

-A motion to approve E-2 was made by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Mr. Elsberry, and the vote was unanimous.

F. Support Services/Facilities and Construction Management/Planning: NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

-A motion to enter executive session was made at 6:43 p.m. by Mr. Elsberry, with a second by Mr. Montgomery, and the vote was unanimous.

-A motion to exit executive session and re-enter regular session was made at 7:47 p.m. by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Mr. Elsberry, and the vote was unanimous. **No action was taken in Executive Session. The Superintendent received a satisfactory evaluation.**

G. Personnel

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following personnel changes:

Certified Recommendation (Added)

-Kellie Thomas; Ed. Teacher at Chattooga Academy; replacing Paula Arden; beginning 01/07/2025.

Certified Resignations

-Brandon Ponder; Teacher at Summerville Middle School; personal reasons; effective 12/20/2024.

Classified Transfers

-Ashley Thomas, from Cafeteria Assistant Manager to Manager at Menlo Elementary School; replacing Betty Brazelton; effective 12/05/2024.
-Teresa Luallen; from Chattooga High School to Menlo Elementary School as Cafeteria Assistant Manager; replacing Ashley Thomas; effective 12/05/2024.

Classified Recommendations

-Paul Bell; Bus Driver; replacing Randy Hampton; beginning 11/20/2024.
-Teresa Denise Keef (Added); School Food Service Worker; replacing Teresa Luallen; beginning 01/08/2025.

Substitutes

-Lorena Perez; Substitute Teacher; effective 12/04/2024.

-A motion to approve all items under G-1 was made by Mr. Elsberry, with a second by Mr. Montgomery, and the vote was unanimous.

H. Superintendent of School

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation for approval of the monthly Outline of Board Activities for the 2024-2025 school year.

-A motion to approve H-1 was made by Mr. Montgomery, with a second by Mr. Elsberry and the vote was unanimous.

-Superintendent's "For Information Only" Items

PaddyNet Update

ADJOURNMENT

-A motion to adjourn was made at 6:33 p.m. by Ms. Lawrence, with a second by Mr. Montgomery, and the vote was unanimous.

Michelle Helie, Superintendent

Lori Brady, Board Chair

Recorded by: _____

Alisha Yoder

Admin. Assistant to Superintendent