

**CHATTOOGA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD MEETING WORK SESSION MINUTES**  
JULY 15, 2021 @ 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 Chairman, Eddie Elsberry. There was a quorum of Board Members present along with the Superintendent, Jared Hosmer and the Assistant Superintendent, Jeff Martin.

**Voting Members Present**

Eddie Elsberry, Chairman  
Brad Hayes, Vice-chairman  
Lynn Hall, Board Member  
B.J. Montgomery, Board Member

**Non-voting Members Present**

Jared Hosmer, Superintendent  
Jeff Martin, Assistant Superintendent  
Alisha Yoder, Admin. Assistant to the Superintendent

- **Invocation:** Brad Hayes
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** B.J. Montgomery

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

1. Add Agenda Item C-2, New Board Policy GARHB: Paid Parental Leave

2. G-1/Personnel Additions:

**Certified Resignations**

- Kari Groce; Special Education Teacher at Lyerly Elementary School; Personal reasons; Effective 07/15/2021.
- Rhonda Tate; Special Education Teacher at Summerville Middle School; Personal reasons; Effective 07/15/2021.
- Adam Crowley; Math Teacher at Chattooga High School; Accepted a Leadership position in another system; Effective 07/15/2021.

**Certified Recommendation**

- Ginger Hosmer; Teacher at Lyerly Elementary School; Replacing Kari Groce; Beginning 08/02/2021.

**Classified Recommendations**

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(transferred); Beginning 07/15/2021.

- Sarah Sanchez; Receptionist at Summerville Middle School; Replacing Sheila Mount; Beginning 07/26/2021.
- Robert Laney; System Custodian; New allotment; Beginning 07/15/2021.
- Ron Darius Mark; System Custodian; New allotment; Beginning 07/26/2021.
- Jonathan Oliver; System Custodian; New allotment; Beginning 07/13/2021.
- Betty Pendergrass; School Food Service Worker at Leroy Massey Elementary School; Replacing Hilda Copeland; Beginning 08/02/2021.

**3. Add Agenda Item G-2, change to the 2021-2022 Salary Handbook:**

- On page 33, removed System Academic Coach – Level 1
- On page 33, changed “Level II” to “Success Team” and changed extended year to 30 days from 20 days.

- **Adoption of Superintendent’s Recommended Agenda for July 15, 2021 School Board Work Session Meeting.**

-A motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Mr. Montgomery with a second by Mr. Hall and the vote was unanimous.

- **Review Minutes of Previous Meetings**

- June 10, 2021 Called Meeting
- June 17, 2021 Called Meeting @ 3:30 p.m.
- June 17, 2021 Called Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.
- June 17, 2021 Work Session Meeting
- June 17, 2021 Regular Session Meeting
- June 24, 2021 Called Meeting

**A. Resolutions/Recognitions (non-action item)**

**1.** Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we have been unable to do in-person recognitions at the monthly board meetings. We would, therefore, like to take this opportunity to recognize the following students and staff for the following accomplishments during the 2020-2021 school year:

- School-level Teachers of the Year for 2021-2022:  
Kayla Hartline- Chattooga High School  
Debra Osborne- Summerville Middle School  
Bobby Cavin- Leroy Massey Elementary  
Amanda Williams- Menlo Elementary  
Marcelia Thompson- Lyerly Elementary  
**\*Debra Osborne was chosen as the 2021-2022 District-wide Teacher of the Year.**
- Gray Beach was named 2021 STAR Student. To obtain the STAR nomination high school students must have the highest score on any single test date of the SAT, taken through the March test date of their senior year, and be in the top 10 percent or top 10 students of their class, based on grade point average. Gray chose former teacher, Ms. Liza Morgan, as his STAR Teacher.
- Future Problem Solvers:  
**Summerville Middle School-** Lileah Braden, Caiden Carter, Jackson Cromer, and Kaylee Newsome placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, overall, in Global Issues Problem Solving. In 2<sup>nd</sup> Place for Team Action

Plan were Brock Cooper, John Roan, and Nyala Thurman. Placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in presentation of their action plan were Lileah Braden, Caiden Carter, Brock Cooper, Jackson Cromer, and John Roan. In individual competition, Rafael Lopez placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Middle Division of Global Issues Problem Solving. Rafael advanced to the International FPS competition in June.

**Chattooga High School-** Sarah Beth Hampton earned 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Future Problem Solving Program State Bowl. Her topic was Personalized Medicine. She also had the highest-ranking Action Plan in her division and advanced to the International Conference in June. This was Sarah's fifth year competing in the Future Problem Solving Program and her fourth opportunity to compete at the international level.

Mrs. Christie Dooley is the FPS coordinator for SMS and CHS.

**Menlo Elementary School-** Pippa Key won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Global Issues Problem Solving, Middle Division and 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Individual Action Plan Global Issues Problem Solving, Middle Division. Mrs. Amanda Williams is the FPS coordinator for MES.

**Lyerly Elementary School-** Carter Montgomery placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Scenario Writing and competed in the International Conference in June. In the Global Issues Problem Solving Team Competition, Victoria Ward, Brayden Barrett, Katie Dillard, and Carter Montgomery place 1<sup>st</sup> and competed in the International Conference in June. Madelyn Eager, Cameryn Smith, Addie Veatch and Kendal Zuniga placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the same category. LeeAnna Moseley placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Global Issues Problem Solving Individual category and will be competing in the MAGIC competition this Fall. For Team Action Plan, Madelyn Eager, Cameryn Smith, Addie Veatch and Kendal Zuniga placed 1<sup>st</sup>. Brayden Barrett, Katie Dillard, Carter Montgomery, and Victoria Ward placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. In the Individual Action Plan category, LeeAnna Moseley placed 3<sup>rd</sup> and in Presentation of Action Plan, Bella Barton, Thomas Blackwell, Daniel Dover, LeeAnna Moseley and Brinley Thomas took 1<sup>st</sup> Place.

- District-wide Young Georgia Authors winners:
  - Kindergarten- Jack Morrison from Lyerly Elementary
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade- Daniel Moseley from Lyerly Elementary
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- Sophia Anderson from Lyerly Elementary
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- Brooklyn Watkins from Leroy Massey
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- Adrianna Harrison from Leroy Massey
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- Evelyn Mae Lutz from Menlo Elementary
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- Avery Brown from Summerville Middle
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade- Isabell Koonce from Summerville Middle
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- Jayla Rich from Lyerly Elementary
  - 9<sup>th</sup> Grade- Layla Lee from Chattooga High
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Grade- Jaycie Ledbetter from Chattooga High
  - 11<sup>th</sup> Grade- Maddison Rosser from Chattooga High
  - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade- Eli Hosmer from Chattooga High
- District-side Spelling Bee winners:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade- 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Cason Gill from Lyerly Elementary
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Abel Minervini from Menlo Elementary
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Brenleigh Nelson from Leroy Massey
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Michael Parke from Leroy Massey
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Julian Rosales from Leroy Massey
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Serenity Pettit from Leroy Massey

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Andrew Dilbeck from Lyerly Elementary  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Parker Thomas from Lyerly Elementary  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Julius Garrett from Lyerly Elementary

4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade-

1<sup>st</sup> Place, Reese Halstead from Summerville Middle  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Carter Bachelor from Menlo Elementary  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Brandon Floyd from Summerville Middle

\*Reese Halstead represented Chattooga by competing in the GAE Region 1 Spelling Bee in February.

- Chattooga High School Volleyball Team made it to the first round of the State Playoffs.
- Chattooga High School Boys' Basketball Team was regular season Region 7AA champs and advanced to the State Playoffs. Their coach, Mr. Jared Groce, reached his 150<sup>th</sup> win. His overall record of 150-39, makes him the all-time winningest boys' basketball coach in Chattooga High School history.
- Chattooga High School Girls' Basketball Team ended up in 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in regular season, Region 7AA and advanced to the State Playoffs, where they made it to the "Sweet Sixteen" game. Their head coach is Mr. Alvah Beasley.
- The Chattooga High School Track Team, coached by Renee Beasley, had a great season, and fared very well at the State Track Meet. Sada Williamson placed 5<sup>th</sup> in 100 Hurdles, Caroline Hodges placed 4<sup>th</sup> in State (2A) for Discus, Cash Allen came in 2<sup>nd</sup> in Long Jump, Nick Hester placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Triple Jump and Devon Heroch took 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Discus.
- Another amazing year for Head Coach, Brian Beasley and the Chattooga High School Wrestling Team! Senior, Ty Veatch- AA State Champion @220, three-time State Finalist with a record of 20-0 for the 2021-21 season. Junior, Rowan Burdick- AA State Runner-up @160 and three-time State Placer. Freshman, Kendra Heroch- Girls State Runner-up @142. Kendra was the first girl to place at a state tournament, in Chattooga history.
- A great season for Chattooga High School Boys' and Girls' Tennis Teams. The Boys finish 3<sup>rd</sup> in Region and the Girls placed 4<sup>th</sup> which advanced both teams to the State Playoffs. This was the first time in Chattooga High School history that both the Boys and Girls made it to the State Playoffs in the same year. They were coached by Mrs. Stephanie Ratliff.
- Region Winners for the 2021 Skills USA Competition, who advanced to the State Competition:  
Ty Veatch- 1<sup>st</sup> Place I Carpentry  
Zander Cook-Harris- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Cabinetmaking  
Tristen Price- 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Electrical Construction Wiring  
Jackson Eckroat- 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Masonry  
Jesse Weeks- 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Plumbing  
Sage Owings- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Welding  
CHS also sent two of the top eight teams in the state, to the State Leadership Skills Conference in March. Team #1, Welding Fabrication Team, which consisted of William Elrod, Gavin Jarrett, Marrion Mosteller and Rett Rosson, won 1<sup>st</sup> Place. Team #2, (Construction) Teamworks, which consisted of Brittonie Cordle, Brody Mobbs, Caden Smith, Landon Stephens and Issac Ratledge, also won 1<sup>st</sup> Place. Jackson Eckroat, Sage Owings, and Tristen Price all won 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in their divisions, and Jesse Weeks placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. In addition, Sage Owings went on to win the Tulsa Welding School's National Welding Competition, receiving a full scholarship to TWS.

**B. School Board Members: NONE**

**C. School Board Policies**

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to update Board Policy JGCC: Infectious Diseases (policy has laid since the June 17, 2021 Board Meeting to allow for public input).
2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve new Board Policy GARHB: Paid Parental Leave (policy will lay until the August 19, 2021 Board Meeting, to allow for public input).

**D. Financial Management**

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve FY 2021 Budget Amendment.
2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve spending the remaining SPLOST-GOB Series 2018 funds and up to 1.4 million dollars from the committed fund balance, for current and upcoming projects such as football stadium lights, Middle School roof, tennis courts and new Menlo School.

**E. Educational Programs, Student Support and Staff Development**

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 Administrator's Handbook.
2. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 Student Enrollment & Withdrawal Handbook.
3. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 Professional Learning Plan and Evaluation.
4. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Chattooga Schools Five Year Strategic Plan (July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2025).
5. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 Attendance Protocol Handbook.
6. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2021-2022 Chattooga County Special Education Policy and Procedures Handbook.

**F. Support Services/Facilities and Construction Management/Planning**

1. Board consideration of Superintendents recommendation to approve bid and award project for the new roof at Summerville Middle School.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: None**

**G. Personnel**

1. Board consideration of Superintendent's recommendation for approval of the following Personnel changes:  
**Certified Resignations**  
-Kari Groce; Special Education Teacher at Lyerly Elementary School; Personal reasons; Effective 07/15/2021.

- Rhonda Tate; Special Education Teacher at Summerville Middle School; Personal reasons; Effective 07/15/2021.
- Adam Crowley; Math Teacher at Chattooga High School; Accepted a Leadership position in another system; Effective 07/15/2021.

**Certified Recommendations**

- Cynthia Anderson; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Rhonda Bannister; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Lisa Bullard; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Melissa Colbert; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Laura Gamble; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Kimberly Justice; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Pattie Luther; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Karen Tribble; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Paula Whitfield; 49% Interventionist; New allotment; Location to be determined; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Damian Elder; Teacher at Summerville Middle School; Replacing Natasha Knapp; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Royce Hogg; Teacher at Summerville Middle School; Replacing Wes Maddux (transferred to Chattooga High School); Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Ginger Hosmer; Teacher at Lyerly Elementary School; Replacing Kari Groce; Beginning 08/02/2021.

**Classified Resignation**

- Kimberly Justice; WIOA Assistant at Chattooga High School; To accept a certified position; Effective 07/23/2021.

**Classified Recommendations**

- Kolby Marsh; Technology Specialist at Chattooga County Education Center; Replacing Nicky Mann; Beginning 07/15/2021.
- Ida Louette Millican; WIOA Assistant at Chattooga High School; Replacing Kimberly Justice; Beginning 07/26/2021.
- Darlene Hughes; School Food Service Worker at Lyerly Elementary School; Replacing Patricia (Gwen) Fisher; Beginning 08/02/2021.
- Tonia Edgeworth; Receptionist at Chattooga High School; Replacing Samantha Bullard (transferred); Beginning 07/15/2021.
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**Classified Transfers**

- Lisa Prince; From Accounts Payable Clerk to School Food Service/Free & Reduced Clerk at the Central Office; Replacing Kelly Floyd (transferred to Leroy Massey Elementary School); Beginning 08/02/2021.
  - Penny Parris; From School Food Service Assistant Manager to School Food Service Worker at Summerville Middle School; Replacing Pam Williams; Beginning 08/02/2021.
  - Pam Williams; From School Food Service Worker to School Food Service Assistant Manager at Summerville Middle School; Beginning 08/02/2021.
  - Samantha Bullard; From Receptionist at Chattooga High School to Accounts Payable Clerk at the Central Office; Replacing Lisa Prince (transferred); Beginning 08/02/2021.
2. Board consideration of Superintendent’s recommendation for approval of 2021-2022 Salary Handbook Change.

**H. Superintendent of School**

1. Board consideration of Superintendent’s recommendation for approval of monthly Outline of Board Activities for the 2021-2022 school year.

**-Superintendent’s “For Information Only” Items:**

1. Gutters at Summerville Middle School
2. Construction Management at Risk for new Menlo School
3. Chattooga High School Tennis Courts bid extension
4. Ag Fair information
5. Board Seat #4 Candidates

**ADJOURNMENT**

-A motion to adjourn was made at 7:02 p.m. by Mr. Montgomery with a second by Mr. Hall and the vote was unanimous.

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**Jared Hosmer, Superintendent**

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**Eddie Elsberry, Chairman**

**Recorded by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alisha Yoder**  
**Admin. Assistant to Superintendent**