
Mr. John Callahan - Chairman
Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint - Vice Chair
Dr. Robbie Hooker - Superintendent

Attendees

Voting Members

Mr. John Callahan, Chair
Mr. Rico Jackson, Board Member
Mr. Michael O'Connor, Board Member
Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint, Vice Chair
Mr. Steve Trantham, Board Member

Non-Voting Members

Ms. Lowana Bell, Board Member
Mr. Randy Carithers, Board Member
Dr. Robbie Hooker, Superintendent

I. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman John Callahan called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with six members present: Ms. Lowana Bell, Mr. Randy Carithers, Mr. Rico Jackson, Mr. Michael O'Connor, Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint and Mr. Steve Trantham.

II. Prayer

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint

Voting

Unanimously Approved

V. Minutes

Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint

Voting

Unanimously Approved

VI. Board Comment Section

A. Recognize GA Young Authors - Sallie Robinson

Sallie Robinson, Instructional Technology Specialist, recognized the 13 students who received the GA Young Authors Award. One student was recognized from each grade level - including Kindergarten.

B. Recognize GHP Semi-Finalists - Lisa Wolaver

Lisa Wolaver, Assessment Director, recognized the two students, Natalie Bardy and Madison Chambers, recognized as the Governor's Honors Program semi-finalists.

C. Recognize JROTC Rifle Team - (Ret) Col. Bruce Chick

(Ret) Col. Chick, JROTC Director, introduced the High School JROTC Rifle Team and recognized their recent achievements, including:

- Team finished 1st in their GHSA Division
- Team finished 2nd in their GHSA Area and will advance to the State Championship
- Team finished 3rd in the World and now ranked in National Competition

Two members of the Team, Jackson Davis and Megan Townsend, advanced past GHSA and JROTC to tryout for the National Junior Olympics.

D. Recognize Scholarship Finalist - (Ret) Col. Bruce Chick

(Ret) Col. Chick recognized student athlete, Jackson Davis, as a finalist for the 14th Annual Vincent J. Dooley Awards & Scholarships.

E. Assistant Principals Appreciation

As part of National Assistant Principals Week, Superintendent Hooker recognized our Assistant Principals, April Burnfin (Primary School), Dr. Ryan Clark (Elementary School), Dr. Patty Jo McCain (Middle School), Craig Hargrove and Miriam Ledford-Lyle (High School). Dr. Hooker acknowledged each and thanked them for their support and care they bring to our students.

F. Media Specialists Appreciation

As part of National Library Week, Dr. Hooker recognized our Media Specialists, Brandie Owens (Primary School), Melanie Ruark (Elementary School) and Molly Tyree (Middle and High School). Dr. Hooker acknowledged the way they help the teachers support our students.

VII. Break

Chairman John Callahan called a short break so that guests could leave the meeting if they wished to do so.

VIII. Board Training

- A. True Accountability of Georgia Schools (TAGS) - John Tanner
John Tanner, founder of bravED, hosted a virtual training for our Board Members on True Accountability for Georgia Schools (TAGS).

IX. Finance

- A. Monthly Financial Report
CFO, Mrs. Nicole Cross, presented the monthly financial report.
Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson
Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint
Voting
Unanimously Approved
- B. Freshway - Change for Schools
Mrs. Nicole Cross, gave an update on the contributions made by Freshway - Change for Schools.
- C. FY20 Annual Financial Audit
Mrs. Nicole Cross, presented FY20 Annual Financial Audit.

X. Superintendent's Report

- A. Current Count
- B. PSAT and SAT Report - Lisa Wolaver
Lisa Wolaver, Assessment Director, presented the PSAT and SAT Report.
- Dr. Hooker thanked Mrs. Wolaver for her presentation of the PSAT and SAT Report and also acknowledged how fortunate we are to have a local testing facility - Church at the Grove - and how beneficial that is for our students.
- C. Superintendent Comments
Superintendent, Dr. Robbie Hooker, presented reports on, but not limited to:
- Current Count
 - Dr. Hooker shared that Brandi Owens (Primary School) applied for a Facebook grant and was awarded \$3,174.00 to purchase another jam board.
 - Pre-K Academic Screen is scheduled to be held Friday, April 16
 - Milestone Testing is approaching for all students
 - End-Of-Year Awards and Celebrations are being planned
 - Honor's Night will be held May 15
 - Senior Week is scheduled for the last week of April - April 26-30
 - Prom will be held May 1

- High School Chick-fil-A Leader Academy will host a Front Line Workers Appreciation Dinner Friday, April 23

Dr. Hooker thanked the Governance Team for their help in leading the district through a pandemic and social unrest. As a unit, the team will continue to model for the community and grow into becoming a high performing governance team. The decisions are always made in what is in the best interest of the students.

XI. New Business / Action Items

A. Public Participation In Board Meetings

The Board unanimously approved the changes in policy for Public Participation in Board Meetings. Changes include:

1. Participants must provide a 24-hour notice of intent to participate at the board meeting (rather than 72 hours previously required).
2. Unless an extension of time is granted, participants are limited to three minutes each.
3. The number of participants for each meeting will be limited to ten.

Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint

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B. Social Circle High School Field Trip Request (Golf)

Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint

Voting

Unanimously Approved

C. Updated Policy JCAC - Sexual Harassment of Students

Chairman John Callahan shared details on four updated policies. The new policies were introduced, but will not be voted on until the next board meeting.

D. Updated Policy JAA - Equal Educational Opportunities

E. Updated Policy GAEB - Sexual Harassment of Employees

F. Updated Policy GAAA - Equal Opportunity Employment

G. Tuition FY22

Chairman John Callahan shared the Action Item, Tuition FY22, and a unanimous affirmative vote was made to approve the 2021-2022 Out-of-District Tuition Rate of \$3,412.00.

Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint

Voting

Unanimously Approved

H. FY21 Mid-Year Amended Budget

CFO, Nicole Cross, shared information regarding the FY2021 Mid-Year Amended Budget.

Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint

Voting

Unanimously Approved

I. Budget Amendment FY21 - Purchase of Bus

CFO, Nicole Cross, shared information regarding the FY21 Budget Amendment for the purchase of a new bus.

Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint

Voting

Unanimously Approved

XII. Executive Session

On a motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Sanford-Flint, a unanimous affirmative vote was made for the Board to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

On a motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Sanford-Flint, a unanimous affirmative vote was made for the Board to reenter regular session.

A. Main Personnel Recommendation List

B. Recommendations for Certified Staff

On a motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Sanford-Flint, a vote was made to approve the following personnel actions:

Mr. John Callahan, Yes

Mr. Rico Jackson, Yes

Mr. Michael O'Connor, Yes

Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint, Yes

Mr. Steve Trantham, Yes

Recommendations for Continued Employment of Certified Positions 2021-2022

A. Serrita Carr

B. Stephen Diaz

C. Rebekah White

On a motion by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Ms. Sanford-Flint, a vote was made to approve the following personnel actions:

Mr. John Callahan, Yes
Mr. Rico Jackson, Yes
Mr. Michael O'Connor, Yes
Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint, Yes
Mr. Steve Trantham, Yes

Recommendations for Certified Staff:

A. Christy Thornton - MS Special Education
B. William Schneider - MS Mathematics
C. Barbara Maddox - HS Science
D. Joslyn Holton - School System Social Worker
E. Jaime Pledger - HS Special Education
F. Julie Sirmans - ES - Assistant Principal

C. Recommendations for Classified Staff

On a motion by Mr. Trantham, seconded by Ms. Sanford-Flint, a vote was made to approve the following personnel actions:

Mr. John Callahan, Yes
Mr. Rico Jackson, Yes
Mr. Michael O'Connor, Yes
Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint, Yes
Mr. Steve Trantham, Yes

Recommendations for Classified Staff:

A. Bryan Eades - Lay Coach - SCHS Softball
B. M. Elizabeth Gaddis, RN - School System Lead Nurse

On a motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Sanford-Flint, a vote was made to approve the following personnel actions:

Mr. John Callahan, Yes
Mr. Rico Jackson, Yes
Mr. Michael O'Connor, Yes
Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint, Yes
Mr. Steve Trantham, Yes

Retirement of Classified Staff:
A. Sheila Massey - School Food Service

XIII. Adjourn

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, a motion, followed by a unanimous affirmative vote, was made to adjourn.

Motion made by: Mr. Rico Jackson

Motion seconded by: Ms. Sabrina Sanford-Flint

Voting

Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary