# Regular Board Meeting In Person January 18, 2024

Present: Bowen, Davidson, Gaster, Kelly, Laudate, Rummel, Britt, Dossenbach,

Eggers, Jones, Duffey, Ryan Regan, Justin Hughes, Measamer, Blackmon, Alverson, Jackson, Rawson, SRO-Megan Rosser, SRO-

Michael Nelson, Richard Sullins-The Rant

Absent: Womack

I. The Lee County Board of Education was called to order by Chairman Eric. Davidson.

II. Closed Session

Motion:

Bowen Rummel

Second: Action:

Carried Unanimously

I move that the Lee County Board of Education go into closed session under NCGS 143-318.11(a)(1), (a)(3), and (a)(6); to discuss confidential student information under NCGS 115C-402; to discuss confidential personnel information under NCGS 115C-319 and 115C-321; and 143-318.11(a)(8) for the purpose of reviewing safety components of school improvement plans, and to consult with the Board's attorney and maintain the attorney-client privilege.

Motion: Gaster Second: Laudate

Action: Carried Unanimously

I move that the Lee County Board of Education come out of closed session.

- III. Moment of Silence-Chairman Davidson conducted a Moment of Silence.
  - IV. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
  - V. LCS Vision and Policy 2120-Code of Ethics for School Board Members

Board Member Laudate read the following Lee County Schools Vision Statement.

#### Lee County Schools Vision Statement

Lee County Schools, in partnership with the community, will provide challenging learning experiences for students in a safe and supportive environment. We are committed to academic excellence, technological innovations, social responsibility, and life-long learning. Our success will be demonstrated by the achievement of our students and their positive participation in society.

Board Member Bowen read a portion of Policy 2120 Code of Ethics for School Board Members.

#### Policy 2120-Code of Ethics for School Board Members

The board recognizes that collectively and individually, all members of the board must adhere to an accepted code of ethics in order to improve public education. Members of the Lee County Board of Education should:

- Avoid conflicts of interest and appearance of conflicts of interest as we handle the work of the board;
- Avoid the solicitation and/or acceptance of gifts in return for advice or assistance on matters concerning the operation of the business of the board
- · Avoid the misuse of public funds;
- · Avoid misrepresentation or falsification of facts; and
- · Avoid making confidential information public.

VI. Approval of Agenda-1/18/2024

Motion: Laudate Second: Bowen

Action: Carried Unanimously I move that the Lee County Board of

Education amend the agenda to include under New Business 5. Discussion of Lee County Board of Education 2023-2024

Schedule of Events.

Motion: Laudate Second: Bowen

Action: Carried Unanimously I move that the Lee County Board of

Education approve the 1/18/2024 amended

agenda.

VII. Approval of Minutes-RBM-12/12/2023

Motion: Kelly Second: Bowen

Action: Carried Unanimously I move that the Lee County Board of

Education approve the 12/12/2023

minutes.

VIII. Chairman's Report-Eric Davidson

- 1. Extended thanks and appreciation for the Heins Education Building grounds appearance. It looks great.
- 2. Highlighted Policy-2310 Public Participation at Board Meetings.

- 3. Provided an Evergreen Solutions Performance Audit, Staffing Study, and Salary Study report.
  - IX. Superintendent's Report-Dr. Chris Dossenbach
  - 1. Provided an Evergreen Solutions Performance Audit update. Out of 97 recommendations, 54 have been completed, and 33 are in progress. Since July 1, 2023, 18 regulations have been added to the Policy Manual.
  - 2. Recognized schools' performance during the 2022-2023 school year.

#### **Exceeded Academic Growth Award**

Deep River Elementary School Lee Early College Amy Lundy, Principal Kisha Timberlake, Principal

#### **Academic Growth Award**

East Lee Middle School JR Ingram, Jr. Elementary School SanLee Middle School Tramway Elementary School WB Wicker Elementary School Robert Newby, Principal Melissa Brewer, Principal Dr. Natalie Kelly, Principal Andrea Cummings, Principal Aimee Petrarca, Principal

#### **Certificate of Achievement**

Lee Early College

Kisha Timberlake, Principal

- 3. Recognized Deep River Elementary School as the Lee County Education Foundation Head of Class recipient. The ceremony was held on Thursday, January 18, 2024, 10am.
- 4. Recognized January as School Board Recognition Month and presented each Board member a gift of appreciation.
- 5. Provided a LCHS stadium update.
- X. Public Comments
- 1. Jermaine White-Praised Tramway Elementary School.
- XI. Announcements-Reports-Non-Action Items
  - A. No Financial Report.
  - B. No Board Attorney Report.
  - C. Committee Reports-Eric Davidson
  - 1. Curriculum and Instruction Committee-Eric Davidson reported in the absence of Sherry Womack.

## No meeting in December, 2023.

Next meeting-February 7, 2024, 3:30pm, Deep River Elementary School Media Center.

2. Facilities and Technology Committee-Jamey Laudate

### January 4, 2014

Reviewed the 2025-2030 Lee County Schools Capital Improvement Plan.

Next meeting-January 23, 2024, 4:30pm, Assembly Room, Heins Education Building.

3. Finance Committee-Alan Rummel

#### No meeting in December, 2023.

Chairman Rummel reported on the monthly meeting with the Lee County Board of Commissioners leadership and the City of Sanford Council meeting. Announced the February 15, 2024-5pm-Budget Work Session and the February 19, 2024-5pm-Public Hearing/Budget Work Session, Jimmy L. Love, Sr. Board Room, Core Curricular Building, LCHS.

Next meeting-January 25, 2024, 5pm, Assembly Room, Heins Education Building.

4. Policy Committee-Chris Gaster

#### January 16, 2024

Reviewed Policies 1310/4002, 4720, 7100, 4110, 5210, and 7130. All of these policies will be on the February 13, 2024, BOE agenda for first reading. No action will be required.

Next meeting-February 20, 2024, 5pm, Assembly Room, Heins Education Building.

XII. Action Items

A. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion: Bowen Second: Rummel

Action: Carried Unanimously

I move that the Lee County Board of

Education approve the Consent

Agenda:

- 1. Fundraisers
- 2. Contributions and Donations
- B. No Unfinished Business
- C. New Business

#### 1. 2023-2024 Budget Amendment

Rummel

Motion:

Second: Kelly

Action:

Carried Unanimously

I move that the Lee County Board of Education approve the 2023-2024 budget amendment.

#### 2. Board Policies-Second Reading

Motion:

Gaster

Second:

Laudate

Action:

Carried Unanimously

I move that the Lee County Board of Education approve the second reading of the following policies:

Policy 3400-Evaluation of Student Progress and Final Exams

Policy 4040/7310-Staff-Student Relations

Policy 4240/7312-Child Abuse and Related Threats to Child Safety

Policy 4318-Use of Wireless Communication and Other Electronic Devices

Policy 4342-Student Searches

Policy 6315-Drivers

Policy 7232-Discrimination and Harassment in the Workplace

Policy 7501-Employee Attendance

Policy 7510-Leave

# 3. 2025-2030 Lee County Schools Capital Improvement Plan

Motion: Kelly

Second: Bowen

Action: Carried Unanimously

I move that the Lee County Board of Education approve the 2025-2030 Lee County Schools Capital Improvement Plan.

#### 4. Personnel

Motion: Bowen

Second: Gaster

Action: Carried Unanimously

I move that the Lee County Board of Education approve the administrator four-year contract for Stacie Eggers, Assistant Superintendent of Operations; the amended teacher one-year contract; and the Human Resources report.

5. Discussion of Lee County Board of Education 2023-2024 Schedule of Events.

Motion: Laudate Second: Bowen

Action: Carried Unanimously

I move that the Lee County Board of Education approve the new start time for the regular monthly meeting of 5:30pm beginning with Closed Session.

XIII. Adjourn Motion: Kelly Second: Bowen

Action: Carried Unanimously I move to adjourn.

Eric N. Davidson, Chairman

Christopher P. Dossenbach, Ed.D. Secretary

Superintendent

Date January 18, 2024

AREA Human Resources
AGENDA ITEM(S) Personnel Information
CONTACT PERSON(S) Salvatore Cosimo, Executive Director Human Resources

# Agenda Report

In accordance with General Statutes 115C-287.1(b), upon the recommendation of the superintendent the initial contract between a school administrator and a local board of education shall be for two to four years. In the case of a subsequent contract between a principal or assistant principal and a local board of education, the contract shall be for a term of four years.

Recruitment and Selection of Personnel – Policy 7100

Suggested Motion- I move that the Lee County Board of Education approve the following contract:
four year contract

# ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT

# ADMINISTRATOR RECOMMENDATION FOR FOUR YEAR CONTRACT -May 1, 2023-June 30, 2027

ADMINISTRATOR Stacie Eggers

**ASSIGNMENT** 

**SCHOOL** 

Assistant Superintendent of Operations

**Central Office** 

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ONTACT PERSON(S) Salvatore Cosimo, Executive Director Human R	Resources
Agenda Report	
Recruitment and Selection of Personnel – Policy 71	00
uggested Motion- I move that the Lee County Board of Education appr	ove the following Teacher
ne year contract:	ere the following reacher

One Year Contract 8/7/23-5/31/24

SITE NAME	FIRST	MIDDLE	LAST	POSITION_DESCRIPTION
W. B. Wicker Elementary	Shannon	Leigh Marie	McGuire	K-5 Teacher

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Recruitment and Selection of Personnel – Policy 7100  $\,$ 

Suggested Motion- I move that the Lee County Board of Education approve the Human Resources
Report

#### Personnel Agenda January 18, 2024

Action

1. Certified Personnel Hires

Caleb Leslie (0 yr. exp.)

CTE-Business & Marketing Teacher, Southern Lee High School

(effective 1/17/24-5/31/24)

Gregory Wearing (16 yrs. exp.) CTE-Business Education Teacher, Bragg Street

(effective 2/7/24-5/31/24)

Carly Peace (13 yrs. exp.) K-5 Teacher Job Share 20 hours week, Tramway Elementary School

(effective 1/8/24-6/6/24)

Wendy Thomas (16 yrs. exp.) K-5 Teacher, Greenwood Elementary School

(effective 1/9/24-5/31/24)

2. Classified Personnel Hires

David Freitas Electrician, Maintenance Department

(effective 1/3/24-6/30/24)

Jesus Lopez Tovar Office Support, W. B. Wicker Elementary School

(effective 1/4/24-5/31/24)

Zkeyah McLean Office Support/Bookkeeper, Lee County High School

(effective 1/17/24-6/30/24)

Pamela Kells Instructional Assistant/Bus Driver, J.R. Ingram Elementary School

(effective 1/19/24-5/31/24)

Elissa Neal Exceptional Children Assistant/Bus Driver, East Lee Middle School

(effective 1/16/24-5/31/24)

Judith Duenes Office Support/PowerSchool, Lee County High School

(effective TBD-6/30/24)

3. Non-Renewal/Terminations

4. Substitute Child Nutrition Assistant Hires

5. Substitute Bus Drivers

6. Substitute Custodians

7. Substitute School Nurse

8. Activity Bus Driver Hires

9. Leave of Absence (Non-FMLA)

Lauren Gunter Exceptional Children Assistant/Bus Driver, Floyd L. Knight

(effective 12/5/23-4/9/24)

AREA Human Resources
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Agenda Report

# FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Suggested Motion-	For Information Only		
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Information
1. Resignation

Allyson Sullivan Music Teacher, Floyd L. Knight

(effective 1/12/24)

Mandi Frady Pre-K Assistant/Bus Driver, Warren Williams

(effective 12/13/23)

Cynthia Julich CTE-Health Occupations Teacher, Southern Lee High School

(effective 1/3/24)

Allysha Lilley Music Teacher, Southern Lee High School

(effective 1/3/24)

Christopher Gill English Teacher, Southern Lee High School

(effective 1/12/24)

Ashley Dean K-5 Teacher, Greenwood Elementary School

(effective 1/9/24)

Elijah Blue English As Second Language Assistant/Bus Driver, Deep River Elementary

School

(effective 12/18/23)

Ashley Matthews Spanish Teacher, West Lee Middle School

(effective 1/2/24)

Ashley Burch Instructional Assistant-ISS/Bus Driver, Southern Lee High School

(effective 1/5/24)

Jadin Ray Social Studies Teacher, West Lee Middle School

(effective 12/26/23)

Meghan Patterson K-5 Teacher, Tramway Elementary School

(effective 1/2/24)

Tori Helwig Science Teacher, East Lee Middle School

(effective 2/1/24)

Leola Parker Exceptional Children Assistant/Bus Driver, Floyd L. Knight

(effective 1/12/24)

Adrienne Freedle Instructional Assistant/Bus Driver, Tramway Elementary School

(effective 1/19/24)

Donna Hadding K-5 Teacher, B. T. Bullock Elementary School

(effective 2/5/24)

Amber Knight Social Studies Teacher, Southern Lee High School

(effective 2/8/24)

#### 2. Retirement

3. Leave of Absence (FMLA/Military)

Chandler Ellis Health/Physical Education Teacher, Lee County High School

(effective 1/16/24-3/11/24)

Jenny McGee K-5 Teacher, Broadway Elementary School

(effective 12/6/23-3/13/24)

Robin Showalter Math Teacher, Southern Lee High School

(effective 12/5/23-5/31/24)

Chandler Ellis Health/Physical Education Teacher, Lee County High School

(effective 1/8/24-3/4/24)

Tracie Gibson Child Nutrition Assistant/Bus Driver, SanLee Middle School

(effective 1/3/24-4/1/24)

Krista Weldon K-5 Teacher, Greenwood Elementary School

(effective 1/8/24-3/4/24)

4. Change of Status

5. Change of Assignment

Whitney Burgess From: Literacy Intervention Specialist, B. T. Bullock Elementary School

To: K-5 Teacher, B.T. Bullock Elementary School

(effective 1/3/24)

Julie Sharpe From: Office Support/PowerSchool, Lee County High School

To: Office Support, Lee County High School

(effective TBD)

Annette Miranda From: Office Support, W. B. Wicker Elementary School

To: Office Support PowerSchool, W. B. Wicker Elementary School

(effective 1/3/24)

Tamiko Williams From: Instructional Assistant/Bus Driver, Lee County High School

To: Exceptional Children Assistant/Bus Driver, Lee County High School

(effective 8/7/23)

Darlene Adams

From: Instructional Assistant-Learning Lab/Bus Driver, Lee County High School

To: Instructional Assistant/Bus Driver, Broadway Elementary School

(effective 1/10/24)

Samantha Dowdy From: Instructional Assistant/Bus Driver, Lee County High School

To: Instructional Assistant-Learning Lab/Bus Driver, Lee County High School

(effective 1/10/24

6. Volunteer Coach

(Employee: Certified, Classified with Stipend)

7. Volunteer Coach with Stipend (Non-Employee)

8. Volunteer Coach (No Stipend)