

MINUTES
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION
MAY 2, 2022

The Douglas County Board of Education met in a work session in the Magnolia Room of the administrative office building at 11490 Veterans Memorial Highway, Douglasville, GA 30134. Ms. Tracy Rookard, Chair (Post 3) called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board Members present were: Ms. Michelle Simmons, Vice Chair (Post 4); Mr. Devetrion Caldwell, (Post 1); and Mr. D.T. Jackson, (Post 2). Mr. Glenn Easterwood, (Post 5) was not present.

Staff members present were Mr. Trent North, Superintendent; Dr. Michelle Ruble, Associate Superintendent of General Administration; Mr. Kwame Carr, Assistant Superintendent of District Operations; Mrs. Melanie Manley, Assistant Superintendent of Student Achievement; Mrs. Renee Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services; Mrs. Holly Timms, Interim Chief Financial Officer; Police Chief Tracey Whaley; Mrs. Kenya Elder, Executive Director of Communications; and Mrs. Hannah Washington, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent.

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**
- III. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION**
- IV. MISSION, VISION AND BELIEFS**
- V. DISTRICT STRATEGIC GOALS**
- VI. BOARD RECOGNITION**
- VII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Douglas County Board of Education Public Participation at Board Meetings Policy: BCBI

Meetings of the Board of Education are held to conduct the affairs and business of the school system. Although these meetings are not meetings of the public, the public is invited to attend all meetings and citizens are invited to address the Board at all regular meetings at the time shown on the agenda and in accordance with procedures established by the Board or the Superintendent. Public participation may be allowed in the discretion of the Board at certain additional meetings under procedures set by the Board. The Superintendent shall make available the procedures to allow citizens to address the Board at regular meetings in accordance with this policy. These procedures shall include a requirement that notice be given at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting and that the Chair shall have the discretion to limit the length of time for individual comments and the number of citizens speaking for or against an individual matter. These procedures shall be available at the Superintendent's office and shall be given, upon request, to anyone requesting a copy. All comments to the Board in accordance with this policy are to be brief and are intended for the Board to hear from citizens but not to take action.

- A. NONE.

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS

IX. WORK SESSION PRESENTATIONS

- A. Cogna Presentation
- B. Budget Presentation

X. WORK SESSION BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - 1. April 11, 2022 Work Session Minutes
 - 2. April 16, 2022 Budget Work Session Minutes
 - 3. April 25, 2022 Executive Session Minutes
 - 4. April 25, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Communications
- C. Finance
 - 1. FY 2023 Preliminary Budget

On motion by DT Jackson, seconded by Devettrion Caldwell, unanimous approval was given to move the FY23 Preliminary Budget to an action item.

- D. General Administration
- E. Operations
 - 1. Operations Surplus
 - 2. Water Bottle Filling Stations
- F. Program for Exceptional Children
- G. School Nutrition
 - 1. GEC Bid Renewals
 - 2. FY23 Bid Renewals
 - 3. Meal price increase for SY22-23
- H. Student Achievement
- I. Student Services
- J. Technology

XI. ACTION AGENDA

- A. Certified Personnel Report
- B. Classified Personnel Report
- C. FY23 Preliminary Budget

On motion by Michelle Simmons, seconded by DT Jackson, unanimous approval was given to approve the Certified and Classified Personnel Report as presented.

On motion by DT Jackson, seconded by Michelle Simmons, unanimous approval was given to approve the FY23 Preliminary Budget as presented.

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XII. INFORMATION ONLY

- A. DCSS Summer Camps 2022
- B. Overnight and Out of State Field Trips

XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Next Board Meeting Date: May 16, 2022 at 7 PM
- B. Mr. DT Jackson honored the teachers for Teacher Appreciation week and thanked the staff for their service
- C. Mr. Devetrion Caldwell thanked Superintendent North and the staff
- D. Ms. Simmons thanked teachers for their consistent labor of love; Ms. Simmons stated our Cogna Engagement scores are a reflection of the staff's hard work
- E. Ms. Rookard honored the teachers and Vice Chair Simmons for Teacher Appreciation Week
- F. Superintendent North thanked the Board for their support of the \$2,000 stipends and for consistently going above and beyond to show their value of our staff
- G. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. The Board did not go into Executive Session.

Trent North, Superintendent

Tracy Rookard, Chair