

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees

Voting Members

Ms. Tracy Rookard, Chair

Mr. Devetrion Caldwell, Vice Chair

Mr. D.T. Jackson, Board Member & Deputy Legislative Liaison

Ms. Michelle Simmons, Board Member

Mr. Glenn Easterwood, Board Member & Legislative Liaison

Non-Voting Members

Mr. Trent North, Superintendent

Dr. Michelle Ruble, Associate Superintendent of General Administration

Dr. Chris Small, Executive Director of Operations

Chelsie Goodman, Assistant Superintendent

Pam Nail, Assistant Superintendent

Tracey Whaley, Chief of Police

Holly Timms, Chief Financial Officer

Portia Lake, Interim Executive Director of Communications

Shawnta Jones, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

III. Moment of Silent Reflection

IV. Mission, Vision and Beliefs

V. District Strategic Goals

VI. Setting of Agenda

Motion made by: Mr. D.T. Jackson

Motion seconded by: Mr. Devetrion Caldwell

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

VII. Board Recognition

VIII. 1st Public Hearing on Tax Millage Rate

IX. Audience Participation

X. New Business

XI. Work Session Presentations

A. Balanced Scorecard Update

B. Board Norms & Protocols

XII. Action Items

A. Classified Personnel Report

Motion made by: Mr. Devetrion Caldwell

Motion seconded by: Mr. D.T. Jackson

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

B. Certified Personnel Report

Motion made by: Mr. D.T. Jackson

Motion seconded by: Mr. Devetrion Caldwell

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

XIII. Work Session Board Agenda Items

A. Minutes of Previous Meeting

1. July 17, 2023 Work Session/Board Meeting Minutes

B. Communications

C. Finance

D. General Administration

1. Board Policy JBC(4): Awarding Units and Transferring Credit

E. Operations

1. FY 2025 State Capital Outlay Projects Application

F. Personnel

G. Program for Exceptional Children

H. School Nutrition

I. Student Services

1. FY 24 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant Awards

J. Teaching and Learning

K. Technology

XIV. Information Only

XV. Board Member Comments and Announcements

- Mr. Glenn Easterwood had no additional comments.
- Mr. D.T. Jackson had no additional comments.
- Mr. Devetrion Caldwell congratulated Mr. North and staff on an amazing start to the school year. He also thanked the staff for the amazing work that they they do everyday. Mr. Caldwell informed everyone that he will be departing soon and that it's been an amazing journey. He expressed thanks for all the support over the years.
- Ms. Tracy Rookard thanked the staff and agreed that it's been a good start to the school year. In addition, she extended thanks to the staff for continuing to show up everyday for the students.
- Ms. Michelle Simmons thanked Mr. North and his team for the Balanced Scorecard presentation. She went on to add that the function of the Board is to represent the vision and values of the community. Ms. Simmons will make recommendations regarding the Board Norms and Protocols.
- Superintendent North stated that he values the importance of standardized assessments; they are good for DCSS. Mr. North expressed his excitement about where DCSS is at as a district. At the end of the day, it's all about the students.

A. Next Board Meeting: August 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

XVI. Adjourn

The meeting recessed into Executive Session at 7:26 p.m.

XVII. Executive Session

Superintendent North and the Board Members discussed items as allowed under the Georgia Open Meetings Act (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2)).

Motion made by: Mr. D.T. Jackson

Motion seconded by: Mr. Devetrion Caldwell

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

Superintendent

Chairperson