

**CHRISTIAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY**

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2021
6:00 P.M.**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Christian County Board of Education met on Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. for a Regular Board Meeting - Live Streamed and Viewable at: www.christian.kyschools.us.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tom Bell, Chairperson

Mr. Lindsey Clark, Vice-Chair

Mr. Mike Walker

Ms. Tiffany Mumford Brame

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

Also present: Mr. Jack Lackey, Jr., School Board Attorney, Administrators, Guests, and Virtual Viewers

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Jeff Moore

ACTION/ITEMS

RECOGNITION:

CCPS “ALL IN” Student and Employees of the Month:

- A) *Jackson Peters* – Student of the Month, Crofton Elementary
- B) *Jake Skinner* - Elementary Teacher of the Month, Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary
- C) *Rachel Gardner* - Secondary Teacher of the Month, Christian County Middle
- D) *Shawnae Massie* - Classified Employee of the Month, Indian Hills Elementary
- E) *Carrie Caples* - Administrator of the Month, Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary

A Special thank you to *South Western Kentucky Economic Development Council*
for being our “ALL IN” Sponsor for October 2021.

- F) *Melanie Barrett* – Director of Pupil Personnel of the Year named by Kentucky Department of Pupil Personnel

INVOCATION The Invocation was given by Ms. Mumford Brame, with the prayer
PLEDGE by Mr. Clark, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Bell
CALL TO ORDER called the meeting to order at 6:21 P.M.

#54 APPROVAL Motion by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the Agenda as
 OF AGENDA as presented (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are
 incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Ms. Mumford Brame,
 Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS/ Amanda Lehman re: Mask Mandate
VISITORS AND 3275 Woodburn Hay Road
OPEN FORUM Hopkinsville, KY 42240

PRESENTATIONS: **NURSES REPORT, 1st NINE WEEKS**
 Mrs. Megan Kidd, District Health Director, provided the 1st nine weeks’
 nurses’ report for the Board noting that 11,442 students had visited the
 nurses in the schools the 1st nine weeks of the 2021-22 school year (a
 copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by
 reference.)

**INSTRUCTIONAL UPDATE: LEARNING RECOVERY UPDATE
AND 2020-2021 STATE ASSESSMENT DATA**

Mrs. Jessica Addison, Interim Assistant Superintendent, was present
and provided the Board with an Instructional Update (a copy of which
is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Mrs. Addison reviewed the 2020-2021 State Assessment Data in
reading, math, science, and writing. She also reviewed the 2020-2021
Junior ACT results and composite scores as well as the graduation rate.
Mrs. Addison provided the Board with continuous improvement goals
for the district and strategy actions in place.

FREEDOM ELEMENTARY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Mrs. Renisha Elam, Principal, Freedom Elementary School, was present
to give the Board an update on their Improvement Plan (a copy of which
is attached to the minutes.)

Mrs. Elam began her presentation by giving the board an overview of Freedom Elementary. She reviewed Spring and Fall 2021 MAP data for reading and math. She also reviewed action steps that Freedom is taking, as well as district supports that are in place. Mrs. Elam answered any questions from the Board and will continue to provide updates to them throughout the school year.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ELEMENTARY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Mrs. Carrie Caples, Principal, Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School, was present to give the Board an update on their Improvement Plan (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

Mrs. Caples began her presentation by giving the board an overview of Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary. She reviewed Spring and Fall 2021 MAP data for reading and math. She also reviewed their goals, strategic actions, instructional monitoring plan, and teacher capacity for this year. Mrs. Caples also discussed the district supports that are in place for school improvement. She answered any questions from the Board and will continue to provide updates to them throughout the school year.

FINANCE UPDATE

Jessica Darnell, Director of Finance, were present to provide the Board with a finance update (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

Mrs. Darnell gives the Board a Finance Update at every Regular Board Meeting. She provides them with the current month's Treasurer's Report. The intent of the update is to keep the Board informed with the financial status of Christian County Public Schools and to also update them if any new state or federal guidance has been received. The Treasurer's Report shows all balances, receipts, and expenditures of each fund of the District. Mrs. Darnell discussed each fund in depth, reviewed any new state or federal guidance and answered all questions from the Board.

HEALTHY AT SCHOOL UPDATE

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent was present to give the Board at Healthy at School Update. Mr. Bentzel reviewed the current COVID data dashboard and corresponding graph from start of school to present. He also reviewed the numbers from the Test to Stay partnership with Pearl Medical. The district will continue to monitor the pandemic and the county incidence map and also work closely with Jennie Stuart, local pediatricians, the Health Department, and other officials. Mr. Bentzel

would like to continue the mask mandate for staff and students for an additional four weeks while watching for any spikes in our numbers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Kim Stevenson, Director of Alternative Programs gave the board the PBIS committee update since Mr. Moore was not present. She stated at their last meeting they reviewed school climate survey data and worked on two goals relating to the survey and items they can improve. The next meeting they will focus on breaking down discipline data and starting the intervention process.

Mr. Walker is on the High School Naming Committee. He states they have met one time and will meet again next week. They are working to narrow down the names, colors, and mascots to five. Once completed, a poll will be sent out to the public to vote on their favorite.

Ms. Mumford Brame is on the calendar committee and they have their first meeting on November 2.

Mr. Clark spoke to State Representatives and a State Senator. There was not much news to share, however, they are hoping to dedicate \$11 million dollars to the teacher retirement fund in the next budget proposal.

Mr. Bell began a book study with Mr. Elam and will report more on that in the future.

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| <p>#55 DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL INVOICE FROM JKS ARCHITECTURE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$289,958.48 FOR CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT</p> | <p>Motion by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the Invoice from JKS Architecture in the amount of \$289,958.48 for Consolidated High School Project (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Ms. Mumford Brame, Mr. Bell</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">Voting No: NONE</p> |
| <p>#56 CONSENT AGENDA</p> | <p>Motion by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the following Consent Agenda:</p> <p>(All exhibits are attached to the minutes)</p> |

- A) Financial Matters:
 - 1. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports and Authorize Payment of Bills
 - 2. Other
- B) Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting held September 16, 2021
- C) Approval School Related Trip Requests
- D) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Requests
- E) Acknowledgment Receipt of Month Two (2) Attendance
- F) Acknowledgement Receipt of Personnel Matters/Reports
- G) Approval 2021-2022 Superintendent's Professional Growth Plan
- H) Approval Superintendent Contracted Day Calendar
- I) Approval Christian County Public School's Lau Plan 2021-2022
- J) Approval Adult Meal Pricing Increase
- K) Establish Next Special Board Meeting/Workshop on November 4, 2021 and Regular Board Meeting for November 18, 2021, 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Central Office
- L) Other

Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Ms. Mumford Brame,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

**INDIVIDUAL BOARD
MEMBER AND
SUPERINTENDENT
COMMENTS
AND CONCERNS**

MR. WALKER

Mr. Walker recognized the principals for National Principals Month and he appreciates all their hard work and leadership.

MS. MUMFORD BRAME

Ms. Mumford Brame thanked the principals for their work and dedication to CCPS. She said there is no amount of pay for the work they do. Their work does not go unnoticed.

MR. CLARK

Mr. Clark thanked the principals as well and all administrators and employees for their hard work. He said employees don't get the credit they deserve sometimes and he appreciates them. They all have very important jobs.

MR. BELL

Mr. Bell stated on the front of the KSBA magazine it discusses the issues that school districts face with transportation due to lack of drivers. Mr. Bell hopes the incentives that CCPS has put in place will help our district with those issues. Mr. Bell thanked the audience for attending the board meeting tonight. He also stated basketball season is upon us and he is excited for that.

MR. BENTZEL

Mr. Bentzel stated October is Principals Appreciation Month and we have outstanding leaders. Not just principals, but assistant principals and directors as well. Mr. Bentzel stated Christian County Middle School football team will play in the conference championship game in Owensboro on Saturday - he wishes them the best of luck. He also recognized both CCHS and HHS band. He attended the band competition on Saturday night and they did an outstanding job. Both bands will participation in a competition this weekend at the Stadium of Champions and if they win, will go to the State Championship. He said it's a wonderful time to be a Colonel or a Tiger and it's a wonderful time to be part of Christian County Public Schools.

#57 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Clark, to adjourn (7:45 P.M.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Ms. Mumford Brame,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____