

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

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 16, 2021
6:00 P.M.**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Christian County Board of Education met on Thursday, December 16, 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

Mr. Jeff Moore

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Tiffany Mumford Brame

ACTION/ITEMS

RECOGNITION:

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

- A) *Jonathan Bates Payne* – Student of the Month, Millbrooke Elementary School
- B) *Bethany Yielding* - Elementary Teacher of the Month, Crofton Elementary School
- C) *Jennifer PPool* - Secondary Teacher of the Month, Christian County High School
- D) *Angie Leek* - Classified Employee of the Month, Sinking Fork Elementary School
- E) *Jonathan King*, Assistant Principal, Christian County High School - Administrator of the Month

A Special thank you to *Tom Bell - State Farm Insurance*
for being our “ALL IN” Sponsor for December 2021.

INVOCATION
PLEDGE
CALL TO ORDER

The Invocation was given by Mr. Bell, with the prayer by Mr. Moore, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Bell called the meeting to order at 6:16 P.M.

#102 APPROVAL
OF AGENDA

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

Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS/
VISITORS AND
OPEN FORUM

None

PRESENTATIONS:

HEALTHY AT SCHOOL UPDATE

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, was present to give the Healthy at School Update. Mr. Bentzel reviewed the current COVID data dashboard and corresponding graph from start of school to present, as well as the data from the Test to Stay partnership with Pearl Medical. CCPS will be partnering with Wild Health again to offer vaccine clinics for students age 5 and up in the near future.

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 updated the Board on all efforts and work completed at Pembroke Elementary school from Saturday, when the storms came through the area, to today. He thanked everyone involved with getting the building dried in before the rains begin. He thanked ServPro and Swift Roofing for their quick response and hard work. He thanked all district administrators for coming together and being a team for Pembroke, South Christian and Crofton. Pembroke has made contact to all students and ensured that families have everything they need. Mr. Bentzel's hope is that Pembroke Elementary will be open to staff and students following winter break on January 4th. They are working with the insurance adjuster for the claim and will apply for FEMA, if available. At this time, it is his understanding that Pembroke Elementary is the only school in western Kentucky with severe damage from the storms.

FALL 2021 PULSE SURVEY DATA ROLLOUT AND ACTION PLAN

Jessica Addison, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, was present to give the Board a Fall 2021 Pulse Survey Data Rollout and Action Plan (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

Mrs. Addison reviewed the employee engagement, student survey, and parent survey data results. She also reflected on what is working well in the district, as well as areas for improvement. Mrs. Addison reviewed next steps and the pulse survey action plan to monitor and improve the areas that received the lowest mean ratings.

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.

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 reviewing their 30/60/90 Day Priority Plan and Priority Areas. Their five priority areas include: communication, PLCS and Guided Planning, Students "Ready to Learn", Teacher Support, and Building Culture. Mrs. Elam answered any questions from the Board and will continue to provide updates to them throughout the school year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Moore is on the PBIS committee and stated the last meeting's theme was proactive vs. reactive. PBIS coaches, interventionists, and school counselors met together to review top school infractions and

develop a 60-day plan beginning 1-4-22. The purpose of the plan is to ensure that all expectations are retaught to students on a consistent basis along with established projected interventions that students will need. School counselors will also be completing lessons with students based on the type of infractions in the school. Each school developed three top goals that are measurable and demonstrate the importance of building relationships.

Mr. Walker is on the High School Naming Committee and Mr. Hunt will provide an update this evening on that.

Mr. Bell is on the Racial Equity Committee. Mr. Bell and Mr. Elam met with a focus group of about 100 young men at The PAC for several hours listening to their concerns. They also completed fun team-building exercises. The focus group will meet again in March.

The Racial Equity Committee met today and completed a recap of the first semester and best practices. There is a lot of good work being done. They are looking forward to digging even deeper in the second semester.

#103 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
BG-1 FOR
DEMOLITION
OF CHRISTIAN
COUNTY
LEARNING
CENTER

Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the BG-1 for Demolition of Christian County Learning Center (a copy is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Moore, Mr. Clark, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#104 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
PAY
APPLICATION
AND
CERTIFICATION
NUMBER THREE
(3) IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$112,712.00 TO
SWIFT ROOFING,
INC. FOR SOUTH
CHRISTIAN
REROOF PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the Pay Application and Certification Number Three (3) in the Amount of \$112,712.00 to Swift Roofing, Inc. for South Christian Reroof Project (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

- #105 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
CHRISTIAN
COUNTY PUBLIC
SCHOOLS AND
JKS ARCHITECTURE
INC. FOR SOUTH
CHRISTIAN GYM
EXTERIOR WALL
PANELS
- Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Walker, to Approve the Agreement between Christian County Public Schools and JKS Architecture Inc. for South Christian Gym Exterior Wall Panels (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)
- Voting Yes: Mr. Moore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark,
Mr. Bell
- Voting No: NONE
- #106 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
AGREEMENT
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- Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bell
- Voting No: NONE
- #107 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
PAYMENT IN
THE AMOUNT
OF \$458,643.16
TO HAVER PSC
FOR THE HIGH
SCHOOL
CONSOLIDATION
PROJECT
- Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the Payment in the Amount of \$458,643.16 to Haver PSC for the High School Consolidation Project (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)
- Voting Yes: Mr. Moore, Mr. Clark, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Bell
- Voting No: NONE

- #108 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
OF SCHOOL
BOARD
MEETINGS/
WORKSHOPS
FOR THE
2022 CALENDAR
YEAR
- Motion by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the School Board Meetings/Workshop for the 2022 Calendar Year (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)
- Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bell
- Voting No: NONE
- #109 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
OF NAME,
COLORS, AND
MASCOT FOR
THE HIGH
SCHOOL
CONSOLIDATION
PROJECT
- Josh Hunt, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, presented a PowerPoint presentation of the New High School Facility Name Recommendation (a copy of which is attached). Mr. Hunt provided an overview of initial survey results and the top five options for Name, Mascot, and Colors. There were 5,283 total submissions during the second naming survey participation. Mr. Hunt reviewed the results of that survey and reviewed the committee recommendations. The Board will now take those recommendations and make a decision sometime in January.
- #110 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL TO
DECLARE A
STATE OF
EMERGENCY
UNDER KRS
45A.380(1) AND
702 KAR 4:160
SECTION 2 (6)
WITH RESPECT
TO THE SEVERE
DAMAGE TO
PEMBROKE
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL AS A
RESULT OF THE
STORMS IN
WESTERN
KENTUCKY ON
DECEMBER 10, 2021,
AND DECEMBER 11, 2021,
AND AUTHORIZING
- Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Mr. Walker, to Declare a State of Emergency Under KRS 45A.380(1) and 702 KAR 4:160 Section 2 (6) with Respect to the Severe Damage to Pembroke Elementary School as a result of the Storms in Western Kentucky on December 10, 2021 and December 11, 2021, and Authorizing the Superintendent to Proceed with such Corrective Actions as the Superintendent to Proceed with such Corrective Actions as are Necessary.
- Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Mr. Walker, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bell
- Voting No: NONE

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NECESSARY

#111 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL/
RATIFICATIONS
OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT'S
ACTIONS WITH
RESPECT TO THE
ENGAGEMENT OF,
AND CONTRACTING
WITH, SERVPRO
AND SWIFT ROOFING
COMPANY TO
PERFORM CORRECTIVE
ACTIONS OF STORM
DAMAGE TO PEMBROKE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SO AS TO AVOID PUBLIC
HARM THAT WOULD
OTHERWISE OCCUR
AS A RESULT OF THE
DELAY IN COMPETITIVE
PROCEDURES

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Mr. Moore, to approve the Ratifications of the Superintendent's actions with respect to the Engagement of, and Contracting with, ServPro and Swift Roofing Company to Perform Corrective Actions of Storm Damage to Pembroke Elementary School so as to avoid Public Harm that would otherwise occur as a result of the delay in Competitive Procedures.

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#112 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
TO APPROVE
JKS
ARCHITECTURE
TO PERFORM
THE DESIGN
WORK FOR
DAMAGED ROOF
AT PEMBROKE
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Mr. Walker, to approve JKS Architecture to Perform the Design Work for Damaged Roof at Pembroke Elementary School.

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Mr. Walker, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#113 CONSENT AGENDA Motion by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the following Consent Agenda:

(all exhibits are attached to the minutes)

A) Financial Matters:

1. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports and Authorize Payment of Bills
2. Other

- B) Approval of Minutes of Special Called Meeting held on November 11, 2021; Regular Board Meeting held November 18, 2021; Special Board Meeting/Workshop held on December 2, 2021, and Special Board Meeting on December 8, 2021
- C) Approval School Related Trip Requests
- D) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Requests
- E) Approval of Nutrition and Physical Activity Report Card 2021-2022; Standards and Indicators; Improvement Plan
- F) Approval for 2021-2022 Comprehensive District Improvement Plan (CDIP)
- G) Approval 2022-2023 School Year Calendar – 2nd Reading
- H) Acknowledgment Receipt of Month Four (4) Attendance
- I) Acknowledgement Receipt of Personnel Matters/Reports
- J) Approval Superintendent Contracted Day Calendar
- K) Approval Use of Hopkinsville High School Logo for Documentary Purposes
- L) Approval Addendum to Employment Contract - National Board Certification Fee Assistance Agreement
- M) Establish Next Special Board Meeting/Workshop on January 6, 2022 and Regular Board Meeting for January 20, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Central Office
- N) Other

Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

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

MR. WALKER

Mr. Walker walked through a couple of district buildings this week, it is a miracle there wasn't more damage at Pembroke than there was. He thanked Trevor and his team for their response. Mr. Walker stated at the last board workshop, the SBDM Councils presented to board members. He was very impressed by each school, very hard-working people. He congratulated Sara Roberts and Craig Clayton on their retirements and wished them well. He also congratulated Josh Hunt for being inducted into the CCHS Hall of Fame. Merry Christmas!

MR. CLARK

Mr. Clark thanked everyone for their hard work and dedication. Christian County is lucky to have minimal damage from the storms compared to other surrounding counties. He thanked everyone who worked together for Pembroke Elementary and coordinated drop-offs for supplies to take to Mayfield, Dawson Springs, etc. CCPS received five buses worth of supplies to donate. Mr. Clark stated that is a reflection of our community coming together for the greater need. The material things at Pembroke can be repaired or replaced. He also asked for thoughts and prayers for the family of Troy Goode during this difficult time in their lives. He was a wonderful teacher and influenced the lives of many students over the years. Merry Christmas!

MR. BELL

Mr. Bell wished everyone a Merry Christmas. It's not what's under the tree, but who is around it. Don't walk into 2022 with unforgiveness. He wished everyone a prosperous 2022. He thanked everyone for their patience this week while the district had to make decisions regarding school closures due to the storms and the safety of staff and students.

MR. MOORE

Mr. Moore thanked everyone who was involved with responding to the storm damage at Pembroke Elementary and drying in the building before the rain set in. He also thanked the principals and administrators that allowed everything to work together this week. It truly is the people, not the buildings.

MR. BENTZEL

Mr. Bentzel sends his thoughts and prayers to Western Kentucky and all areas affected by the storms. Christian County is lucky to have no severe injuries or deaths. Mr. Bentzel appreciates the work of Pembroke staff to take care of their students and faculty. He appreciates the patience of Crofton and South Christian staff without power, but most of all he appreciates everyone coming together this week to take care of each other and communities impacted by the storms. He thanks the parents for their patience this week with closures. Events like this truly make us a Community Committed to Phenomenal Schools as our vision says. We become better and stronger. Merry Christmas!

#114 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Walker, second by Mr. Clark, to adjourn (8:16 P.M.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Walker, Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____