

**CHRISTIAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
AUGUST 1, 2023
8:00 A.M.**

BOARD RETREAT

The Christian County Board of Education met at Pennyryle State Park, Dawson Springs, KY on August 1, 2023, at 8:00 A.M. for a Board Retreat.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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Mr. Tom Bell, Chairperson

Mr. Lindsey Clark, Vice-Chair

Mr. Jeff Moore

Ms. Rebecca Pepper

Ms. Tiffany Mumford Brame

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

Also present: Jack Lackey, Board Attorney; Kevin Crider, Principal, Christian County High School; Trevor Herndon, District Facilities Coordinator; Jason Wilson, District Technology Coordinator; Melanie Barrett, Director of Pupil Personnel; Johnna Brown, Director of Communications; Jessica Darnell, Director of Finance (entered at 8:53am); Cindy Campbell, Principal, Hopkinsville High School; Penny Knight, Principal, Gateway Academy; Kerry Stovall, District Athletic Director; Kelly Mrcic, Baird Financial Services (left at 10:15am); Carrell Boyd, Baird Financial Services (left at 10:15am); Jack Faber, Hafer Architects (left at 10:15am); Eric Rang, Hafer Architects (left at 10:15am); Tim Geegan, Alliance Corporation (left at 10:15 am); Corey Smith, School Resource Officer; Hannah Hageman, WHOP (left at 9:39am)

ACTION/ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bell called the meeting to order at 8:06 A.M.

DISCUSSION:

FACILITIES UPDATE/VISION

Melanie Barrett, Director of Pupil Personnel, was present to give the Board an update on the work with Davis Demographics. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, Jason Wilson, District Technology Coordinator, and Tim Geegan, Alliance Corporation, was present to update the Board on the High School Consolidation Efforts and recent bid opening results. Jack Faber and Eric Rang of Hafer Architects were present to provide any supportive information. Kelly Mrcic and Carrell Boyd of Baird Financial Services were present to provide a bonding update.

Also discussed were future vision options for facilities, timelines, and next steps.

SCHOOL SAFETY

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, discussed school safety for the 2023-2024 school year.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, reviewed instructional priorities for 2023-2024.

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR PREPARATIONS

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, gave the board an update for 2023-2024 School Year Preparations.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION AND CLOSING COMMENTS

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, closed out the retreat by discussing miscellaneous information and answering any board member questions, comments, and concerns.

#10 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Ms. Mumford Brame, to adjourn 1:04 P.M.

Voting yes: Mr. Moore, Ms. Mumford Brame, Mr. Clark,
Ms. Pepper, Mr. Bell

Voting no: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____