

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

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING/WORKSHOP  
SEPTEMBER 7, 2023  
6:00 P.M.**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING/WORKSHOP**

The Christian County Board of Education met on Thursday, September 7, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. for a Regular Board Meeting/Workshop.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Tom Bell, Chair

Mr. Lindsey Clark, Vice-Chair

Ms. Rebecca Pepper

Ms. Tiffany Mumford Brame

Mr. Jeff Moore

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**ACTION/ITEMS**

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**CALL TO ORDER** Mr. Bell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**#57 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Ms. Mumford Brame, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve the agenda as presented with the following additional item of business:

6. Discussion/Approval of Lowering FY 23-24 Personal Property Tax Rate from 42.8 cents per \$100 valuation to 42.1 cents per \$100 valuation, leaving all other tax rates the same as set on August 17, 2023

(a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

**PRESENTATIONS: FREEDOM ELEMENTARY IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Leslie Lancaster, Principal, was present to give the board a PowerPoint update on Freedom Elementary Improvement Plan (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

**CCPS CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PATHWAYS**

Penny Knight, Principal, Gateway Academy, was present to give the board a PowerPoint update on CCPS Career and Technical Education Pathways (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

**DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN PROGRESS MONITORING UPDATE/RESOURCES AND FACILITY PILLAR**

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Dr. Jason Wilson, District Technology Coordinator, was present to provide the Board with a District Strategic Plan Progress Monitoring Update/Resources and Facility Pillar.

**#58 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL BG-4 FOR GATEWAY-BREATHITT CAMPUS RENOVATIONS**

Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the BG-4 for Gateway-Breathitt Campus Renovations (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

**#59 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL INSPECTIONS WITH ARNOLD CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC. FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT**

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the Contract for Special Inspections with Arnold Consulting Engineering Services, Inc. for the New Christian County High School Project (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

**#60 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF LOWERING FY 23-24 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RATE FROM 42.8 CENTS PER \$100 VALUATION TO 42.1 CENTS PER \$100 VALUATION, LEAVING ALL OTHER TAX RATES THE SAME AS SET ON AUGUST 17, 2023.**

Motion by Ms. Mumford Brame, second by Mr. Clark, to approve the Lowering of FY23-24 Personal Property Tax Rate from 42.8 cents per \$100 valuation to 42.1 cents per \$100 valuation, leaving all other tax rates the same as set on August 17, 2023.

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

Voting No: NONE

**#61 CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to enter into Closed session for the purpose of Purpose of Proposed or Pending Litigation KRS 61.810 (1) {c} (7:23p.m.)

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

Voting No: NONE

**#62 EXIT CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Exit Closed Session (8:25 p.m.)

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

Voting No: NONE

**#63 ADJOURN**

Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Clark, to adjourn (8:25 P.M.)

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

Voting No: NONE

**APPROVED CHAIRPERSON** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED SECRETARY** \_\_\_\_\_