

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

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Christian County Board of Education met on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. for a Regular Board Meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tom Bell, Chair

Mr. Lindsey Clark, Vice-Chair

Ms. Rebecca Pepper

Ms. Ambrea Watkins

Mr. Jeff Moore

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

Jesslyn Sharkey, CCHS Student Board Member Representative

Kylie Batts, HHS Student Board Member Representative

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

ACTION/ITEMS

SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBER, REBECCA PEPPER, AND NEWLY APPOINTED BOARD MEMBER, AMBREA WATKINS, BY JUDGE JOHN LINDSEY ADAMS

Judge John Lindsey Adams was present and conducted the swearing-in ceremony for Newly Elected Board Member, Rebecca Pepper, and Newly Appointed Board Member, Ambrea Watkins. A copy of the Oath is attached to the Board minutes.

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

- A) *Dominique Davie* – Student of the Month, Christian County High School
- B) *Sarah Pinson* - Elementary Teacher of the Month, Indian Hills
- C) *Sam Culton* - Secondary Teacher of the Month, Gateway Academy
- D) *Shawn Evans* - Classified Employee of the Month, Martin Luther King, Jr.
- E) *Sara Johnson* - Administrator of the Month, Indian Hills

A Special thank you to *South Western Kentucky Economic Development Council* for being our “ALL IN” Sponsor for November 2023.

CCPS MISSION, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, AND CALL TO ORDER

Student Board Member, Kylie Batts, read the CCPS Mission Statement. The Invocation was given by Ms. Jesslyn Sharkey, with the prayer by Mr. Bell, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Dominique Davie, student at Christian County High School. Mr. Bell called the meeting to order at 6:22 P.M.

#109 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve the Agenda with the following Additions/Amendments:

New Number 13. Discussion/Approval of Change Order Number One (1) for the New Christian County High School Project

New Number 14. Discussion/Approval of Builders Risk Insurance 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: Mr. Clark, Ms. Pepper, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Moore, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS, VISITORS, AND OPEN FORUM

Men2Be re: Thank you for use of Facilities
Ladessa Lewis, Derrick Lewis, Teresa Moss, and Austin Moss
Bryan Street
Hopkinsville, KY 42240

PRESENTATIONS: NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Mr. Tim Geegan, Alliance Corporation, was present to provide the Board with a Construction Update on the new Christian County High School (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

SAFETY UPDATE

Mrs. Kathleen Carter, School Safety and Title IX Coordinator, was present to give the Board a Safety Update (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

STAKEHOLDER SURVEY RESULTS

Mrs. Jessica Addison, Assistant Superintendent, was present to give the Board an update on Stakeholder Survey Results (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

FINANCE UPDATE

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

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.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Bell provided an Equity Committee Update

Mr. Moore provided a PBIS Committee Update

Mr. Clark provided a Legislative Update

Ms. Sharkey provided a KYA Update

Ms. Batts provided a KYA and Student Superintendent Advisory Update

#110 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHRISTIAN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PRICHARD COMMITTEE FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, INC.

Motion by Mr. Clark, second Ms. Pepper, to Approve the Agreement between Christian County Public Schools and Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence, Inc. (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Moore, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#111 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL DIRECTOR OF FULL-SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS JOB DESCRIPTION

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve the Director of Full-Service Community Schools Job Description with the change of Master's Degree Preferred under Qualifications (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Ms. Watkins, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Moore, Mr. Bell

Voting No: Mr. Clark

#112 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL REVISED SALARY SCHEDULE FOR 2023-2024

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Mr. Clark, to Approve the Revised Salary Schedule for 2023-2024 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Ms. Pepper, Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Moore, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#113 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL INVOICE TO HAFER ARCHITECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,046.55 FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Approve Invoice to Hafer Architects in the Amount of \$32,046.55 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: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Moore, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#114 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL PAYMENT APPLICATION NUMBER THREE (3) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,129,077.88 TO ALLIANCE CORPORATION AND INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTORS FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve Payment Application Number Three (3) in the Amount of \$2,129,077.88 to Alliance Corporation and Contractors for the New Christian County High School (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Moore, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#115 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL NEW BOARD MEMBER ELECTION ZONES MAP

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second by Mr. Clark, to Approve New Board Member Election Zones Map (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Ms. Watkins, Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#116 DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL TO RENEW SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Mr. Moore, to Renew Superintendent's Contract (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#117 DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NUMBER ONE (1) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve Change Order Number One (1) 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. Watkins, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Moore, Mr. Clark, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#118 DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL TO BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Mr. Clark, to Approve Builder's Risk Insurance 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: Mr. Moore, Mr. Clark, Ms. Pepper, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#119 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve to the following Consent Agenda:

- 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 October 19, 2023 and Special Board Meeting/Workshop held on November 2, 2023
- C) Approval School Related Trip Requests
- D) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Requests
- E) Acknowledgment Receipt of Month Two (2) Attendance
- F) Approval Shortened School Day Request
- G) Approval Shortened School Day Request
- H) Approval Shortened School Day Request
- I) Approval Shortened School Week Request
- J) Approval Shortened School Week Request
- K) Approval BSN Sports Reward Program Renewal
- L) Ratification of the Awarding and Execution of the Contracts with each Contractor for the Construction of the New Christian County High
- M) Acknowledgement Receipt of Personnel Matters/Reports
- N) Approval Superintendent Contracted Day Calendar
- O) Establish Next Regular Board Meeting/Workshop on December 7, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Christian County Middle School Cafeteria and Regular Board Meeting for December 21, 2023, 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Central Office
- P) Other

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Pepper, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Moore, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore, Ms. Pepper, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Sharkey, Ms. Batts, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Bentzel all provided individual comments and/or concerns.

#120 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Mr. Moore, to adjourn (8:18 P.M.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Mr. Moore, Ms. Pepper, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____