

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

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2024
6:00 P.M.**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Christian County Board of Education met on Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. for a Regular Board Meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Lindsey Clark, Vice-Chair

Ms. Rebecca Pepper

Ms. Ambrea Watkins

Mr. Jeff Moore

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

Kylie Batts, HHS Student Board Member Representative

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Tom Bell, Chair

Jesslyn Sharkey, CCHS Student Board Member Rep

ACTION/ITEMS

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

In honor of Black History Month, Hopkinsville High School Student, Amaria Trotter, was present to read the Proclamation.

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

- A) *Jason Macario* – Student of the Month, Hopkinsville Middle
- B) *Gina Rose* - Elementary Teacher of the Month, Sinking Fork
- C) *Shanan Fowler* - Secondary Teacher of the Month, Christian County High
- D) *Kayley Hopper* - Classified Employee of the Month, Crofton
- E) *Heather Armentrout*, Assistant Principal, Hopkinsville Middle - Administrator of the Month

A special thank you to:

Bell Engineering

“ALL IN” Sponsor for February 2024

- F) Hopkinsville High School Cheer Team

CCPS MISSION, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, AND CALL TO ORDER

Student Board Member, Kylie Batts, read the CCPS Mission Statement. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jason Macario, student at Hopkinsville Middle School. Mr. Clark called the meeting to order at 6:25 P.M.

#183 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Mr. Moore, to approve the Agenda with the removal the following item:

23. Consent Agenda:

G) *Approval of 2024-2025 Draft Staffing Allocation*

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

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

Voting No: NONE

PRESENTATIONS:

NATIONAL FFA WEEK PRESENTATION

Christian County and Hopkinsville High School FFA students were present to provide the Board a National FFA Week Presentation (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.

NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Kevin Hitchel, 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.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Moore provided a PBIS Committee Update.

Mr. Clark provided a Legislative Update.

Ms. Batts provided a FFA Speaker Event, Student Superintendent Advisory, and District Ambassador Update.

COMMUNICATIONS, VISITORS, AND OPEN FORUM

NONE

#184 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL DISTRICT ATHLETIC WEBSITE CONTRACT

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second Ms. Pepper, to Approve the Agreement between Christian County Public Schools and RST for a District Athletic Website (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

Voting No: NONE

#185 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SIX (6) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Change Order Number Six (6) for the New Christian County High School (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#186 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SEVEN (7) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Change Order Number Seven (7) for the New Christian County High School (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#187 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER EIGHT (8) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Change Order Number Eight (8) for the New Christian County High School (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#188 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER NINE (9) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve the Change Order Number Nine (9) for the New Christian County High School (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

Voting No: NONE

#189 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER TEN (10) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Change Order Number Ten (10) for the New Christian County High School (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#190 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER ELEVEN (11) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Change Order Number Eleven (11) for the New Christian County High School (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#191 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL PAYMENT APPLICATION NUMBER SIX (6) TO ALLIANCE CORPORATION AND INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTORS FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve the Payment Application Number Six (6) in the Amount of \$1,657,725.35 to Alliance Corporation and Individual Contractors 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, Ms. Pepper, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Clark

Voting No: NONE

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

Motion by Ms. Pepper, 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: Ms. Pepper, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Moore, Mr. Clark

Voting No: NONE

#193 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL INVOICE TO HAFER ARCHITECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,045.83 FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Ms. Watkins, to Approve Invoice to Hafer Architects in the Amount of \$32,045.83 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, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Moore, Mr. Clark

Voting No: NONE

#194 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL BG-5 PROJECT #23-270 CLOSE OUT ENTRYWAY PROJECT FOR INSPIRE EARLY LEARNING ACADEMY

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve the BG-5 Project #23-270 Close Out Entryway Project for Inspire Learning Academy (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

Voting No: NONE

#195 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL BG-5 PROJECT #23-495 CLOSE OUT ROOF RESTORATIVE COATING PROJECT FOR MILLBROOKE ELEMENTARY

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Mr. Moore, to Approve the BG-5 Project #23-495 Close Out Roof Restorative Coating Project for Millbrooke Elementary (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#196 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL BG-1 FOR HOPKINSVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOF COATING PROJECT

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Mr. Clark, to Approve the BG-1 for Hopkinsville Middle School Roof Coating Project (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

Voting No: NONE

#197 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL TO RENEW BIDS FOR FY24-25

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Ms. Watkins, to Approve to Review Bids for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#198 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR FY24-25

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second by Mr. Moore, to Approve Permission to Advertise for Bids for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#199 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR BID FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF A FLEET BUS TO AN EARLY LEARNING BUS USING GRANT FUNDS

Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve Permission to Advertise for Bid for the Refurbishment of a Fleet Bus to an Early Learning Bus Using Grant Funds (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#200 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL TO PURCHASE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FROM MIDSTATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$197,714.00 FOR INDIAN HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second by Ms. Pepper, to Purchase Playground Equipment from Midstates in the Amount of \$197,714.00 for Indian Hills Elementary School (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

Voting No: NONE

#201 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Moore, 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 (Exhibit
 - 2. Other
- B) Approval of Minutes of Special Called Board Meeting/Public Forum held January 18, 2024; Special Called Board Meeting/Public Forum held January 18, 2024; Regular Board Meeting held January 18, 2024; Board Retreat held on January 30, 2024; Special Board Meeting held on February 1, 2024; and Regular Board Meeting/Workshop held on February 1, 2024
- C) Approval School Related Trip Requests
- D) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Requests
- E) Approval Attendance Zone Clarifications
- F) Approval Request for CCBOE to Co-Sponsor Division of Parks and Recreation's Summer Adventure Camp, Summer of 2024
- G) Approval Shortened School Week Request
- H) Approval Shortened School Week Request
- I) Approval Shortened School Day Request
- J) Approval Summer Lunch Program at Christian County Middle School and Appointment of Penny Holt as Program Administrator
- K) Acknowledgment Receipt of Month Five (5) Attendance
- L) Acknowledgement Receipt of Personnel Matters/Reports
- M) Approval Superintendent Contracted Day Calendar
- N) Establish Next Regular Board Meeting/Workshop for March 7, 2024 and Regular Board Meeting for March 21, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Central Office

O) Other

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

Voting No: NONE

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

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

#202 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Moore, second by Ms. Pepper, to adjourn (7:42 P.M.)

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

Voting No: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____