

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

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 21, 2024
6:00 P.M.**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Christian County Board of Education met on Thursday, March 21, 2024, 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. Jesslyn Sharkey, CCHS Student Board Member Rep

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Ambrea Watkins

Mr. Jeff Moore

Ms. Kylie Batts, HHS Student Board Member Rep

ACTION/ITEMS

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

- A) *Aleena Vazquez* – Student of the Month, South Christian Elementary
- B) *Abby Hess* - Elementary Teacher of the Month, Freedom Elementary
- C) *Shermykia Hicks* - Secondary Teacher of the Month, Hopkinsville Middle
- D) *Michelle Finley* - Classified Employee of the Month, Millbrooke Elementary
- E) *Stephanie Blanton* - Administrator of the Month, Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary

A Special thank you to *H&R Agri-Power* for being our “ALL IN” Sponsor for March 2024.

CCPS MISSION, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, AND CALL TO ORDER

Student Board Member, Jesslyn Sharkey, read the CCPS Mission Statement. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Aleena Vazquez, student at South Christian Elementary. Mr. Bell called the meeting to order at 6:24 P.M.

#218 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

* Change the Amount of the New CCHS Pay Application Number 7 in Item Number 8 from \$5,401,432.33 to \$5,401,373.58.

* Add New Agenda Item Number 20 – Discussion/Approval to Purchase One Bus in the Amount of \$131,811.00

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

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

Voting No: NONE

PRESENTATIONS: IMPACT KENTUCKY WORKING CONDITIONS SURVEY AND STAKEHOLDER RESULTS PRESENTATION

Jessica Addison, Assistant Superintendent was present to provide an Impact Kentucky Working Conditions Survey and Stakeholder Results 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 and Tim Geegan from Alliance Corporation were 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. Clark provided a Legislative Update.

Mr. Bell provided an Equity Committee Update.

COMMUNICATIONS, VISITORS, AND OPEN FORUM

Caleb Ballard re: Anti-Vape Policy
16988 Herndon Oak Grove Road
Oak Grove, KY 42262

Kasey Norwood
103 Moelight Drive
Hopkinsville, KY 42240

re: Anti-Vape Policy

Adam McCormick
5838 Eblen Hancock Road
Henderson, KY 42420

re: New CCHS Otis Elevator Contract

#219 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER TWELVE (12) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve the Change Order Number Twelve (12) 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. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#220 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER THIRTEEN (13) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve the Change Order Number Thirteen (13) 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. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#221 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER FOURTEEN (14) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve the Change Order Number Fourteen (14) 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. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#222 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL PAYMENT APPLICATION NUMBER SEVEN (7) TO ALLIANCE CORPORATION AND INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTORS FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve the Payment Application Number Seven (7) in the Amount of \$5,401,373.58 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. Clark, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#223 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL INVOICE TO HAFER ARCHITECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,121.86 FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Ms. Pepper, second by Mr. Clark, to Approve Invoice to Hafer Architects in the Amount of \$32,121.86 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. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#224 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL BOARD APPROVED FEES FOR 2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve Board Approved Fees for 2024-2025 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#225 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR BUS GARAGE LUBRICANTS/ANTIFREEZE FOR FY2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid for Bus Garage Antifreeze and Lubricants to Max Arnold & Sons for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#226 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FOR FY2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel to Max Arnold & Sons for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#227 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FOR ALTERNATIVE SITE AT OAK GROVE FOR FY2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel for Alternative Site at Oak Grove to Max Arnold & Sons for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#228 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR MULCH FOR FY2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid for Mulch to Mr. Mulch for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#229 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR COPY PAPER FOR FY2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid for Copy Paper to Contract Paper Group for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#230 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR DRUG TESTING FOR FY2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid for Drug Testing to MC Consultant Services for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#231 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR PHYSICALS FOR FY2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid for Physicals to Pound Family Chiropractic for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#232 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR CONCRETE FOR FY2024-2025

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid for Concrete to Meuth Concrete for FY24-25 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#233 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF A FLEET BUS TO AN EARLY LEARNING BUS

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Award the Bid to Abbico Contracting for the Refurbishment of a Fleet Bus to an Early Learning Bus (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#234 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL TO PURCHASE ONE BUS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$131,811.00

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Purchase One Bus in the Amount of \$131,811.00 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#235 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 Special Called Board Meeting held on February 15, 2024; Regular Board Meeting held February 15, 2024; Special Called Virtual Board Meeting held on February 27, 2024; Special Board Meeting held on March 7, 2024; and Regular Board Meeting/Workshop held on March 7, 2024
- C) Approval School Related Trip Requests
- D) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Requests
- E) Approval to Apply for AG Development Grant through the Kentucky Office of AG Policy, which is a 50/50 Reimbursable Cost Share Grant to Cover the Cost of Constructing a New Greenhouse at the new Christian County High School
- F) Approval Updated Behavior Coach Job Description
- G) Approval to Declare an Emergency as Required by KRS 161.100 to Employ Emergency Substitute Teachers and Full-Time Emergency Certification
- H) Approval Shortened School Day Request
- I) Acknowledgment Receipt of Month Six (6) Attendance
- J) Acknowledgement Receipt of Personnel Matters/Reports
- K) Approval Superintendent Contracted Day Calendar
- L) Establish Next Regular Board Meeting for April 18, 2024, 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Central Office
- M) Other

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

Voting No: NONE

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

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

#236 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to adjourn (7:44 P.M.)

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

Voting No: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____