

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

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 20, 2025
6:00 P.M.**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Christian County Board of Education met on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. for a Regular Board Meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tom Bell, Chair

Mr. Lindsey Clark, Vice-Chair

Ms. Ambrea Watkins

Ms. Erin Westerfield

Ms. Mollie Goode, Student Board Member

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Rebecca Pepper

Ms. Aniyah Lewis, Student Board Member

ACTION/ITEMS

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

- A) *Teddy Marvel* – Student of the Month, Hopkinsville High School
- B) *Amanda Baxter* - Elementary Certified Employee of the Month, Freedom Elementary
- C) *Chris Wilson* - Secondary Certified Employee of the Month, Alternative Programs
- D) *Janell Anderson* - Classified Employee of the Month, South Christian Elementary
- E) *Sandra Hancock* - Administrator of the Month, Student Transition Coordinator

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CCPS MISSION, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, AND CALL TO ORDER

Student Board Member, Mollie Goode, read the CCPS Mission Statement. The invocation and prayer was led by Ms. Watkins and Ms. Westerfield and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Teddy Marvel, student at Hopkinsville High School. Mr. Bell called the meeting to order at 6:21 P.M.

#164 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

* Remove the following agenda item:

- 8. Discussion/Approval Change Order Number Sixty Eight (68) for the New Christian County High School; Alliance Corporation

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

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

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.)

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, discussed monthly open records requests, and answered all questions from the Board.

WEAPONS DETECTION STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

Michael Seis, Chief of School Safety and Security and Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, were present to update the Board on the Weapons Detection Standard Operating Procedure (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Clark provided a Legislative Update.

Ms. Westerfield provided a PBIS Committee Update.

Ms. Goode provided a HHS Student Advisory Update.

COMMUNICATIONS, VISITORS, AND OPEN FORUM

None

#165 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SIXTY FIVE (65) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Change Order Number Sixty Five (65) 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. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#166 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SIXTY SIX (66) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to approve the Change Order Number Sixty Six (66) 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. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#167 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SIXTY SEVEN (67) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Change Order Number Sixty Seven (67) 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. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#168 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL PAYMENT APPLICATION NUMBER NINETEEN (19) TO ALLIANCE CORPORATION AND INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTORS FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Payment Application Number Nineteen (19) 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. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#169 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL INVOICE TO HAFER ARCHITECTS FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to Approve the Invoice to Hafer Architects 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. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#170 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR BUS GARAGE LUBRICANTS/ANTIFREEZE FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Award the Bid for Bus Garage Antifreeze and Lubricants to Max Arnold & Sons for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#171 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Award the Bid for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel to Max Arnold & Sons for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#172 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL FOR ALTERNATIVE SITE AT OAK GROVE FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to Award the Bid for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel for Alternative Site at Oak Grove to Max Arnold & Sons for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#173 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR PHYSICALS FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to Award the Bid for Physicals to Johnson Family Chiropractic for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#174 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR MULCH FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Award the Bid for Mulch to Mr. Mulch for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#175 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR COPY PAPER FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to Award the Bid for Copy Paper to River City Industrial Services for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#176 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR CARPET AND INSTALLATION FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Award the Bid for Carpet and Installation to DJ's Flooring for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#177 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR PEST CONTROL SERVICES FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Award the Bid for Pest Control Services to McGee Pest Control for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#178 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR EXCAVATION AND DIRT WORK FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to Award the Bid for Excavation and Dirt Work to Chilton Excavating for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#179 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL LOCAL VENDOR LIST FOR FY2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to approve the Local Vendor List for FY25-26 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#180 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL BOARD APPROVED FEES FOR 2025-2026

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Approve Board Approved Fees for 2025-2026 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#181 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL BG-5 CLOSEOUT DOCUMENT FOR ELECTRIC BUS INFRASTRUCTURE

Motion by Ms. Watkins, second by Ms. Westerfield, to approve the BG-5 Closeout Document for Electric Bus Infrastructure (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Clark, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#182 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL REVISED BG-1 FOR DEMOLITION OF OLD CHRISTIAN COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to approve the Revised BG-1 for Demolition of Old Christian County Middle School Project (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#183 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL TO AWARD BID FOR MILLBROOKE PAINTING PROJECT

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to award bid to DJ's Flooring for Millbrooke Painting Project (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#184 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF SAVVAS ENVISION ELEMENTARY MATH HIGH QUALITY INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to approve the Invoice for Savvas enVision Elementary Math High Quality Instructional Resource (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#185 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, 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 February 20, 2025 and Regular Board Meeting/Workshop held on March 6, 2025
- C) Approval School Related Trip Requests
- D) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Requests
- E) Approval Memorandum of Understanding between Christian County Board of Education and Christian County Health Department
- F) Approval to Declare an Emergency as Required by KRS 161.100 to Employ Emergency Substitute Teachers and Full-Time Emergency Certification
- G) Approval Hoptown Hoppers Contract Requesting Use of Facilities for the Summer of 2025
- H) Approval Shortened School Day
- I) Approval Shortened School Week
- J) Approval Standard Form of Agreement between Christian County Public Schools and Complete Demolition Services, LLC
- K) Approval Release First Right of Refusal
- L) Acknowledgment Receipt of Month Six (6) Attendance
- M) Acknowledgement Receipt of Personnel Matters/Reports
- N) Approval Superintendent Contracted Day Calendar
- O) Establish Next Regular Board Meeting for April 17, 2025, 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Central Office
- P) Other

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Mr. Bell, Mr. Clark, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Goode, and Mr. Bentzel all provided individual comments and/or concerns.

#186 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to adjourn (8:02 P.M.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____