

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

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING/WORKSHOP

AUGUST 7, 2025

6:00 P.M.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING/WORKSHOP

The Christian County Board of Education met on Thursday, August 7, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. for a Regular Board Meeting/Workshop held at 200 Glass Ave, Hopkinsville, KY 42240.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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Mr. Tom Bell, Chair

Mr. Lindsey Clark, Vice-Chair

Ms. Rebecca Pepper

Ms. Ambrea Watkins

Ms. Erin Westerfield

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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

ACTION/ITEMS

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

#9 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to approve the agenda as presented (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS:

PRESENTATIONS: DISTRICT SAFETY PLAN AND SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER INTRODUCTIONS

Clayton Sumner, Director of School Safety and Security, was present to discuss the District Safety Plan and to introduce the CCPS Police School Resource Officers.

**NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION
UPDATE**

Kevin Hitchell, Alliance, 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.)

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS UPDATE

Nicole Poindexter, Director, was present to provide the Board with a Community Schools Update (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

SUPERINTENDENT MONTHLY UPDATE -BACK TO SCHOOL

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, was present to provide the Board with a Superintendent Monthly Update – Back to School (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

VISITORS AND OPEN FORUM

NONE

**#10 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SEVENTY FIVE (75) FOR THE
NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve Change Order Number Seventy Five (75) 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, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

**#11 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SEVENTY SIX (76) FOR THE
NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Approve Change Order Number Seventy Six (76) 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, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

**#12 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SEVENTY SEVEN (77) FOR
THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to Approve Change Order Number Seventy Seven (77) 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, Ms. Pepper, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#13 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SEVENTY EIGHT (78) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve Change Order Number Seventy Eight (78) 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, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#14 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL CHANGE ORDER NUMBER SEVENTY NINE (79) FOR THE NEW CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to Approve Change Order Number Seventy Nine (79) 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. Pepper, Ms. Watkins, Mr. Bell

Voting No: NONE

#15 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL FOR SECTION 504 BUILDING COORDINATORS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to Approve the Section 504 Building Coordinators for the 2025-2026 School Year (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#16 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL FOR ARC CHAIRPERSONS (CCSD REPRESENTATIVES) FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to Approve the ARC Chairpersons (CCSD Representatives) for the 2025-2026 School Year (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#17 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL 2025-2026 EMPLOYEE HANBOOK

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to approve the 2025-2026 Employee Handbook (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#18 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL 2025-2026 SUBSTITUTE TEACHER HANBOOK

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to approve the 2025-2026 Substitute Teacher Handbook (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#19 CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSED OR PENDING LITIGATION KRS 61.810 (1) {C} AND FUTURE ACQUISITION OR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY- THE PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF WHICH MIGHT AFFECT THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY CONSIDERED FOR ACQUISITION OR SALE- UNDER KRS 61.810(1)(B)

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Westerfield, to entered into Closed Session for the Purpose of Proposed or Pending Litigation KRS 61.810 (1) {c} and Future Acquisition or Sale of Real Property- the Public Discussion of Which Might Affect the Value of the Property Considered for Acquisition or Sale- under KRS 61.810(1)(b) (Time 7:07)

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

Voting No: NONE

#20 EXIT CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to adjourn (7:31 P.M.)

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

Voting No: NONE

#21 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Pepper, to adjourn (7:31 P.M.)

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

Voting No: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____