

**RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)**

Russell County Schools Auditorium/Natatorium Complex
ROOM ABOVE THE POOL
August 11, 2021

August 11, 2021 with the following members:

Attendance Taken at 12:01 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Gerald Murray
Ms. Joy Wilson
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham
Mr. Richard Kazsuk
Ms. Sheila Wicker

A sign in sheet was available for the public.

1. Pledge of Allegiance/Prayer

2. Call to Order

Rationale:

The Chair calls the Special Called Meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

3. Roll Call

Rationale:

This action is taken by calling each board member's name, with the board member answering present.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Rationale:

Meeting agenda is provided for your review.

Order #8961 - Motion Passed: If there are no corrections or amendments, I recommend the agenda be approved as presented-passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham and a second by Mr. Richard Kazsuk.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Ms. Sheila Wicker	Yes

5. Public Comment

6. Discussion With Possible Action: Purchase Authorization of Novaerus US, Protect 900W Devices

Rationale:

The Novaerus US, Protect 900W devices are medical device with what is referred to as "NanoStrike" technology. The technology eliminates microorganisms of any size, including some odors with instantaneous inactivation technology. The Protect 900W inactivates viruses and pathogens at the DNA level. I am proposing authorization to purchase up to 350 devices at \$2,344.00* per unit for a total cost of \$820,400 (includes shipping).

*This option includes the extended warranty (7 years) at \$399 per unit.

Other Information:

99.99% effective at inactivating SARS-COV-2 at the cellular level (the virus that causes Covid-19)

Works by bursting pathogens in a nanosecond

Tested against the smallest molecule known to mankind. Can kill pathogens up to 0.0001 microns

Established Ireland medical technology company since 2008

60+ independent studies - [click here](#).

Completely patented Nanostrike disinfection technology - [click here](#)

Developed with schools in mind, providing continuous air disinfection with lowest cost of ownership - [click here](#).

R&D and Testing Lab Overview - [here](#).

ProtectEd is a Sole Source provider in the K-16 space

Order #8962 - Motion Passed: I recommend purchase authorization of up to 350 of the Novaerus, US Protect 900W devices- passed with a motion by Ms. Joy Wilson and a second by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kzsuk	Yes
Ms. Sheila Wicker	Yes

7. Discussion with Possible Action: 2021-2022 School Start & Dismissal Times (Request for Early Drop Off Available Due to Employment Issues)

Rationale:

Current school start and dismissal times are noted below. I am proposing that all schools start at 7:45 am and dismiss 15 minutes later than last year to aid in the traffic congestion along Hwy 127 with preschool classes 8:15 am start and 1:45 pm dismissal. The state highway department has asked Russell County Schools to consider this change and they are asking local industry to adjust their start/dismissal too.

Current Times		Purposed Times
Jamestown Elementary	7:25-2:30	7:45-2:45
Russell Springs Elementary	7:30-2:42	7:45-2:57
Salem Elementary	7:30-2:40	7:45-2:55
Russell County High School	7:30-2:30	7:45-2:45
Russell County Middle School	7:30-2:30	7:45-2:45
Preschool		
Jamestown Elementary	8:00-1:30	8:15-1:45
Russell Springs Elementary	8:00-1:30	8:15-1:45

Salem Elementary	8:00-1:30	8:15-1:45
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This agenda item was tabled at a previous board meeting to give time to meet with school principals to develop a plan for parents/guardians to drop off students earlier due to employment issues. That meeting has been held and a form has been developed to disseminate to parents that require an early drop-off due to employment (see attachment). There will be staff available at each school to supervise students that need to be dropped off early.

Order #8963 - Motion Passed: I recommend that the school start and dismissal times for school year 2021-2022 be approved as presented- Motion was made to table the 2021-2022 School Start & Dismissal Times until later date. School start & dismissal times will remain the same as 2020-2021 SY- times is listed above- passed with a motion by Mr. Gerald Murray and a second by Ms. Joy Wilson.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Ms. Sheila Wicker	Yes

8. Adjournment

Order #8964 - Motion Passed: Adjournment of the meeting passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham and a second by Mr. Richard Kazsuk.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Ms. Sheila Wicker	Yes

Chairperson

Superintendent