

MINUTES OF THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

FEBRUARY 11, 2021

The Morgan County Board of Education met in regular session at the Office of the Board on February 11, 2021 with an advertised start time of 6:00 p.m. Due to the Governor's Safer At Home Order, the meeting was live-streamed for the public. Those in attendance at the meeting practiced social distancing. A work session preceded the business meeting.

Present at the meeting: Chairman Jimmy Dobbs, Vice Chairman Billy Rhodes, Board Members John Holley, Adam Glenn, Mike Tarpley, Paul Holmes, Chris Humphries and Superintendent Robbie L. Elliott, Jr.

Chairman Dobbs called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Mr. Chris Humphries opened the meeting with prayer and Mrs. Connie Goode led the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME

Chairman Dobbs welcomed everyone to the meeting including those watching the live stream and those attending in person.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGENDA CHANGES

Chairman Dobbs called for the announcement of the agenda changes.

Added to the agenda in the form of recommendations from the Superintendent: Action Item 12A and personnel items 13, 14, 15, and 16. The Board members received the appropriate supporting documentation for each agenda addition during tonight's work session.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman Dobbs called for a motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

Mr. Tarpley moved and Mr. Holley seconded the motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF THE 2021-2022 MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOLS TEACHERS AND STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR

The Board gave special recognition to Ms. Sallye Swafford, Lacey's Spring Junior High School, as the 2021-2022 Elementary Teacher of the Year and to Mr. Jackie Huskey, Union Hill Junior High School, as Staff Member of the Year. Secondary Teacher of the Year, Ms. Ashley Boyd from Cotaco Junior High School, was unable to attend the meeting and will be recognized at the March 11, 2021 business meeting.

PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

In order to present a matter to the Board, a written request must be submitted to the Superintendent's office five (5) days prior to the scheduled Board meeting in order to be included on the agenda. No items will be discussed by the public or employees that are not on the agenda. (Morgan County Schools Policy 2.4 Board Meetings/2.4.5 Public Participation)

Chairman Dobbs asked if anyone had asked to address the Board per policy.

There were no requests to address the Board per policy.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

(The Board is furnished with background material for each item on the consent agenda. These items will be acted upon with one vote without discussion. If a Board member wants to discuss an item, the item will be pulled off the consent agenda and voted on separately.)

MINUTES

Approve as presented the minutes from the January 14, 2021 meeting of the Morgan County Board of Education.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Approve as presented the Reconciliation Reports from the system's Local School accounts effective with the statement ending date of December 31, 2020.

Approve as presented the Reconciliation Reports from the system's Depository and Child Nutrition Program accounts effective with the statement ending date of December 31, 2020.

Approve as presented the Morgan County Board of Education Check Register Accountability Report for the period of December 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

CONTRACTS

Approve as presented a Contract for Services with Barbara Pierce to serve as a part-time drafting teacher at the Morgan County Technology Park effective March 1, 2021 through May 21, 2021.

Approve as presented a Contract for Services with Katie Persell to provide intervention/tutoring services for Morgan County Schools effective February 4, 2021 through May 27, 2021.

Approve as presented a Contract for Services with Donald Widner to drive for the MCS Afterschool Tutoring Program effective January 15, 2021 through May 21, 2021.

Approve as presented a Contract for Services with Sara E. Woodall to serve as a teacher in the MCS Afterschool Tutoring Program effective January 15, 2021 through May 21, 2021.

Mr. Holmes moved and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVED AWARDING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE DANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC FACILITY

Mr. Glenn moved and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to approve awarding a construction contract for the Danville High School Athletic Facility project to the lowest bidder, Consolidated Construction Company, in the base bid amount of \$8,370,000.00.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVED NORTH CENTRAL ALABAMA CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM JOINT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

Mr. Tarpley moved and Mr. Humphries seconded the motion to approve as presented the North Central Alabama Child Nutrition Program Joint Cooperative Agreement between Morgan County Schools, Hartselle City Schools, Athens City Schools, Limestone County Schools, and Decatur City Schools effective February 19, 2021 and ending July 31, 2022 with the option to renew automatically each year for up to four additional years.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVED PURCHASE FROM TYPINGAGENT

Mr. Glenn moved and Mr. Holmes seconded the motion to approve purchase of typing program for K-8 students from Typingagent, effective for school year 2021 to 2022.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVED CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 01 RELATED TO THE NEW AG SHOP/HOME ECONOMICS BUILDING AND ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING BAND BUILDING FOR FALKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Tarpley moved and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to approve as presented Contract Change Order No. 01 related to the New AG Shop/Home Economics Building and Alterations to Existing Band Building for Falkville High School for the MCBOE decreasing the contract sum by \$31,255.09.

The motion was unanimously approved.

PERSONNEL

(The employment of any individual listed below will be on a temporary-emergency basis pending background clearance.)

The Superintendent recommended personnel items one through sixteen be approved as written:

1. Accept retirement notification effective March 1, 2021 from Donna Gentry, head custodian at West Morgan Elementary School.
2. Approve as presented an Employee Supplemental Contract with Mallory Jones as the assistant softball coach at Falkville High School effective contract year 2020-2021.
3. Accept resignation as head volleyball coach at Priceville Junior High School effective February 4, 2021 from Summer Clark.
4. Approve a family medical leave of absence request effective January 4, 2021 through March 26, 2021 from Desiree F. Couch, countywide SPE teacher.
5. Approve an Application for Continued Salary in Lieu of Sick Leave from Miranda Skinner, countywide bus driver aide, effective for a total of fifty-three (53) days (January 15, 2021 through April 8, 2021). Ms. Skinner was injured while on the job.

6. Approve as presented an Employee Supplemental Contract with Mallory Alberti to serve as assistant basketball coach at Danville Middle School effective contract year 2020-2021.
7. Approve as presented an Employee Supplemental Contract with Cody Bowers to serve as assistant baseball coach at Danville High School effective contract year 2020-2021.
8. Accept retirement notice effective February 28, 2021 from Doug Townson, maintenance worker at the Central Office.
9. Approve as presented a catastrophic leave of absence request effective February 2, 2021 through March 1, 2021 from Lori Smith, countywide K-8 art teacher.
10. Approve as presented a Contract for Services with Margaret Taylor to serve as head custodian at West Morgan Elementary School effective March 12, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
11. Approve as presented an Employee Supplemental Contract with Joshua Scott to serve as boys' assistant soccer coach at Brewer High School effective contract year 2020-2021.
12. Approve as presented Contracts for Services with the following MCS employees to serve in the MCS Afterschool Tutoring Program effective January 15, 2021 through May 21, 2021 (See attachments):
 - Kara Johnson LPN services
 - Kimberly Robinson Driver
 - Vonnie Sparkman Driver
 - Jean Skinner Driver
 - Christy Casteel Driver
 - Heather Wilder Driver
 - Faith Johns Driver
 - Will Yates Driver
 - Halley Winton Site Coordinator
 - Nikki Shedd Teacher
 - Tina S. Boatright Teacher
 - Tina S. Boatright Substitute Teacher
 - Halley Winton Teacher
 - Chandra Flanagan Teacher
 - Amanda Weatherby Teacher
 - Amy Hood Teacher
 - Laurie Keaty Teacher
13. Approve the employment of Charles Isaac Humphrey as a countywide (Brewer High School) bus aide effective February 12, 2021. Mr. Humphrey will be replacing Felicia Dunn who received a promotion.
14. Approve the employment of Ashley Brooke Jones as a twelve (12) month custodian at West Morgan Elementary School effective March 1, 2021. Ms. Jones will be replacing Donna Gentry who is retiring.
15. Accept notice of retirement effective March 1, 2021 from Mark Mason, principal at Priceville High School.
16. Approve as presented an Employee Supplemental Contract with Weston Pritchett to serve as JV baseball coach at Brewer High School effective contract year 2020-2021.

Mr. Holley moved and Mr. Holmes seconded the motion to approve personnel items one through sixteen as written.

The motion was unanimously approved.

INFORMATIONAL

- **Renewal of Lawn Care Contract Bid with No Monetary Change**

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the Board, Chairman Dobbs called for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Tarpley moved and Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion to adjourn.

The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Signed this the _____ day of _____, 2021.

Mr. Jimmy Dobbs, Chairman, Morgan County Board of Education

Mr. Robert L. Elliott, Jr., Morgan County Schools Superintendent

Recorder of Minutes