

MINUTES

EXHIBIT 1-D

The Dickson County Board of Education met in regular session on August 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at Central Office. Present: Kirk Vandivort, Sonya Brogdon, Patricia Hudson, Steve Haley and Josh Lewis. Absent: Phil Buckner. The meeting opened with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Vandivort read the following statement: In accordance with Governor Bill Lee’s Executive Order No. 51, this meeting is being held electronically due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Attendance at this meeting will be limited to attendees. Those wishing to participate may watch via livestream. The link is posted on the Dickson County Schools’ web page at www.dcastn.org. A recording of this meeting will be posted on the Dickson County Schools’ web page at www.dcastn.org.

Mr. Vandivort requested the following be added to the agenda under 2. Recognitions: Resolution honoring Phil Buckner for years of service to the School Board.

#2055 Motion to approve the agenda as amended

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson, seconded by Sonya Brogdon to approve the agenda as amended by adding a Resolution honoring Phil Buckner under #2. Recognitions.

Motion carried.

#2056 Motion to approve the minutes from the July 6 and 23, 2020 Special Sessions and the July 30, 2020 regular meeting

Motion was made by Sonya Brogdon, seconded by Steve Haley to approve minutes of the July 6 and 23, 2020 Special Sessions and the July 30, 2020 regular meeting.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Vandivort presented a Resolution honoring Phil Buckner for his years of service on the School Board.

#2057 Motion to approve Resolution honoring Phil Buckner

Motion was made by Josh Lewis, seconded by Steve Haley to approve a resolution honoring Phil Buckner for his years of service to the School Board.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Board members expressed their gratitude and accolades for the years of service and contributions Mr. Buckner has made to Dickson County.

Dr. Danny Weeks announced the new Student Board Representatives who are Riley Gilbow from Creek Wood High School and Katelyn Steele from Dickson County High School.

Mr. Vandivort announced the new School Board member will be Joe Underwood for the seat vacated by Phil Buckner.

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Ms. Sue Stringfield, Principal of Vanleer Elementary School and Ms. Jan Ford, Principal of William James Middle School reported on the opening of schools and the various changes that have been made to accommodate students and staff. Reaction has been positive from students, teachers and parents.

FINANCE

Dr. Weeks presented the monthly reports for July 2020 for all funds. He brought attention to a summary of fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 after the books have closed. He stated not a lot of revenue activity and normal startup expenses for July.

#2058 Motion to approve the July monthly financial reports for all funds

Motion was made by Sonya Brogdon, seconded by Patricia Hudson to approve the July 2020 monthly financial reports for all funds as presented.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks reported the Executive Committee met and approved the emergency purchase of a Fire Pump Package for Oakmont Elementary School from Johnson Controls in the amount of \$26,050.26. The staff has been conducting fire walks since the beginning of school and needed to get the equipment ordered as soon as possible.

#2059 Motion to approve the emergency purchase of a Fire Pump Package

Motion was made by Josh Lewis, seconded by Sonya Brogdon to approve the emergency purchase of a Fire Pump Package for Oakmont Elementary from Johnson Controls in the amount of \$26,050.26.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks recommended the purchase of playground equipment and surfacing for Oakmont Elementary School from BSN Sports in the amount of \$68,604.02. It will be purchased under NIPA Cooperative Contract Pricing #R160701. Funding will be from a federal IDEA Discretionary Grant in the amount of \$51,551.00 and federal IDEA preschool funding in the amount of \$17,053.02.

#2060 Motion to approve the purchase of playground equipment and surfacing for Oakmont Elementary School

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson, seconded by Steve Haley to approve the purchase of playground equipment and surfacing for Oakmont Elementary School from BSN Sports in the amount of \$68,604.02 under NIPA Cooperative Contract Pricing #R160701.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

MAINTENANCE

Dr. Weeks stated the maintenance report will be emailed to the Board.

Steve Hewlett and Ron Bargatze of Hewlett-Spencer reported on the project ongoing at Dickson County High School. Mr. Bargatze thanked all who have worked on the project and reported all is going well. There was demolition and remodeling on the girls and boys locker rooms, HVAC in the main gym, lighting improvements in the auxiliary and main gyms and roofing. The HVAC should be installed the week of September 14th. Project completion date should be around the 3rd week in October.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Dr. Weeks presented the human resources report for August 2020. He reported there are 55 distance learning teachers with 33 elementary, 14 secondary and 8 special education.

STUDENT SERVICES

Dr. Weeks recommended the following school support organizations: Charlotte Elementary School PTO, Creek Wood On Deck Club (baseball), Dickson County Athletic Booster Club for DCHS, DMS and BMS and Dragons Cheer Booster Club of DMS.

#2061 Motion to approve School Support Organizations for 2020-21

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson seconded by Sonya Brogdon to approve the School Support Organizations as recommended by Dr. Weeks.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks recommended approval on second reading of updates to Policy 6.318 Alternative Education.

#2062 Motion to approve updates to Policy 6.318 Alternative Education on second reading

Motion was made by Sonya Brogdon, seconded by Patricia Hudson to approve Policy 6.318 Alternative Education on second reading.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks recommended approval on first reading of the following policy updates:

- 4.205 Enrollment in College Level Courses
- 4.209 Alternative Credit Options
- 6.304 Student Discrimination/Harassment/Bullying
- 6.3041 Title IX and Sexual Harassment
- 6.309 Zero Tolerance
- 6.315 Suspension
- 6.316 Placement in Lieu of Suspension
- 6.317 Student Disciplinary Hearing Authority
- 6.409 Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect

#2063 Motion to approve updates to policies on first reading

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson, seconded by Josh Lewis to approve updates to policies on first reading as recommended by Dr. Weeks.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks presented the following to be named as members of the Discipline Hearing Authority for the 2020-2021 school year:

Steve Sorrells, Chair	William Burton
Ernestine Adams	Jason Collins
Gerald Clifton	Robbie Faulkner
Mary Collins	Melissa Garton
Linda Frazier	Ray Lecomte
Hillary Hall	Vivian McCord
Ben Lewis	Mary Morrow
Robbie Lecomte	Andrea Rawls
Julie Outlaw	Lisa Swaw
Morgan Sherrill	

#2064 Motion to approve members of the Discipline Hearing Authority for the 2020-2021 school year

Motion was made by Josh Lewis, seconded by Sonya Brogdon to approve members of the Discipline Hearing Authority for the 2020-2021 school year as recommended by Dr. Weeks.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks presented resolutions to the Board for their consideration at a later date. One is to request a moratorium on state standardized testing for the 2020-2021 school year and the other is to request a Hold Harmless for BEP funds for the 2021-2022 school year. Student enrollment at this time is down about 200 students which could greatly impact the budget for next year. Efforts are being made to reconcile the numbers but kindergarten numbers are significantly lower than last year.

Dr. Weeks requested the rules be suspended to consider an addition to the agenda concerning ACT testing on September 22, 2020.

#2065 Motion to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to add ACT testing on September 22, 2020

Motion was made by Kirk Vandivort, seconded by Steve Haley to approve to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to add ACT testing on September 22, 2020.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks recommended September 22, 2020 be an eLearning day for all freshmen, sophomores and juniors. In the spring when the junior class was supposed to take the ACT, it was canceled due to school closure. On September 22, seniors, whether attending school in-person or remotely, will be required to report to campus to take the exam. In order to properly distance the students within a classroom, then only seniors should attend on that day. All of the district's high school teachers are utilizing Google Classroom so freshmen, sophomores and juniors will be able to work from home without any disruption to their learning.

#2066 Motion to approve September 22, 2020 as an eLearning day for freshmen, sophomores and juniors and all seniors to report to take ACT

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson, seconded by Josh Lewis to approve September 22, 2020 as an eLearning day for freshmen, sophomores and juniors and all seniors to report to take the ACT.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

#2067 Motion to return to regular session

Motion was made by Steve Haley, seconded by Patricia Hudson to return to regular session.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Weeks presented the Board planning and regular session dates for the 2020-2021 school year. He pointed out that the September 8 Fall District Meeting will be virtual and not face to face. He went over changes to the Fall Reopening Guide. He reviewed flow charts recently developed by the TN Department of Health. Current enrollment information was reviewed. He thanked everyone for their part in the reception earlier this evening to honor Mr. Buckner for his twenty years of service to Dickson County Schools. He went over details of a hybrid schedule and explained that it did not mean the District was moving to a hybrid schedule but wanted the Board to be aware of the details if it became necessary.

#2068 Motion to suspend the rules to add to the agenda Approval of Hybrid Schedule

Motion was made by Kirk Vandivort, seconded by Patricia Hudson to suspend the rules to add to the agenda Approval of Hybrid Schedule.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

#2069 Motion to approve the Hybrid Schedule

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson, seconded by Josh Lewis to approve the Hybrid Schedule as presented by Dr. Weeks.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

#2070 Motion to return to regular session

Motion was made by Kirk Vandivort, seconded by Steve Haley to return to regular session.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Buckner	absent	Lewis	yes
	Yes-5	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-1		

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks completed his Director’s Report with departmental notes.

COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

There were words of thanks from the Board members for the work and planning that has been done to help students to return to a learning environment.

Mr. Vandivort stated Executive Order #51 expires August 29, 2020 and it may be extended through September 30, 2020 for the virtual meetings. There will more about that as it happens.

There being no further business, motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Kirk Vandivort, Chairman

Danny L. Weeks, Secretary