

**MINUTES**

**EXHIBIT 1-D**

The Dickson County Board of Education met in regular session on January 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at Central Office. Present: Kirk Vandivort, Sonya Brogdon, Patricia Hudson, Steve Haley, Joe Underwood and Josh Lewis. Absent: None. The meeting opened with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance lead by William James Middle School students Wyatt and Charlie Dawson.

**#2256 Motion to approve the agenda**

Motion was made by Josh Lewis, seconded by Joe Underwood to approve the agenda with the addition of items 4.c. Easement of property and to correct 4.a. 23-24 academic calendar.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

**#2257 Motion to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2021 regular meeting**

Motion was made by Sonya Brogdon, seconded by Patricia Hudson to approve minutes of the December 16, 2021 regular meeting.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

**RECOGNITIONS**

Sophie Perrigin-DCHS and Katie Collins-CWHS, Student Representatives, reported on academic, clubs and sporting events going on at the respective high schools. They recognized special accomplishments of various students and groups.

**FINANCE**

Dr. Weeks presented the monthly financial reports for December 2021 and quarterly reports for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter for all funds. All funds are in good standing.

**#2258 Motion to approve December 2021 monthly and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter financial reports for all funds**

Motion was made by Sonya Brogdon, seconded by Joe Underwood to approve the December 2021 monthly and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter financial reports for all funds as presented.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

**MAINTENANCE**

Dr. Weeks stated the maintenance report was emailed to the Board.

Dr. Weeks reported on the tennis courts project at Dickson County High School. The original contract was for 4 new tennis courts for a total of \$340,075.00. There were some change orders in the amount of \$34,092.80. Because of what was found once the tennis courts were removed then to complete the project as needed would cost an additional estimated \$300,750.00 which would make the entire project cost approximately \$674,917.80. There has been \$79,959.30 paid toward the project thus far. He recommended that work cease and the contract be voided. There has been contact with the contractor and there is agreement to end the contract. He also recommended to enter into discussions with the City of Dickson about a partnership to use the city’s tennis courts at the appropriate time.

**#2259 Motion to cease the Tennis Court project at Dickson County High School**

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson, seconded by Josh Lewis to cease the tennis court project at Dickson County High School immediately and authorize Dr. Weeks to enter discussions with the City of Dickson about a partnership.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks presented recommendations for school facility improvements which would consist of:

1. 450 student addition to Dickson Elementary School with additional gymnasium, cafeteria and kitchen, Dickson County High School transition to utilize the current Sullivan Central Elementary building and elementary rezoning
2. Relocate Central Office to The Discovery School
3. Renovations to Dickson Middle School gymnasium, library, cafeteria and kitchen, administrative spaces and changes to traffic patterns
4. Purchase land on the southern portion of the county for growth, purchase land in the northern portion of the county for future growth
5. Construct middle school in the northern portion of the county

He presented other options such as construct new central office, rezone and construct a new White Bluff middle school or relocate central office to the Renaissance Center, rezone/construct new Charlotte middle school or expand the Burns Middle building.

There was much discussion with Mr. Haley recommending some type of dollar amounts being attached to the various projects. He referred to Policy 3.209 Facilities Plan. Mr. Vandivort recommended that a committee be appointed to investigate property for possible purchase. It was emphasized that it would be for future growth, not building a new school at this

time. It was recommended that the committee consist of 4 to 6 members and will be discussed at the next board meeting. Mr. Underwood expressed concern of the more critical areas are Charlotte Middle School and Dickson County High and urged the Board the need to address these critical areas.

**#2260 Motion to approve recommendations for school facility improvements**

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson, seconded by Sonya Brogdon to approve The Lewis Group Facility Assessment and Future Capital Planning Analysis Recommendation 1 consisting of 6.0, 6.1.1, 6.1.2, 6.1.3, 6.1.4 and 6.4 under Recommendation 3 and request that Dr. Weeks with assistance from Hewlett-Spencer investigate the estimated costs of the various projects and report findings at the March board meeting.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

Dr. Weeks reviewed the January 2022 human resources report.

**SCHOOL NUTRITION**

Dr. Weeks recommended the purchase of serving line equipment with installation at Charlotte Middle School from Strategic Equipment LLC for \$36,523.19.

**#2261 Motion to approve purchase of serving line equipment at Charlotte Middle School**

Motion was made by Josh Lewis, seconded by Patricia Hudson to approve the purchase of serving line equipment with installation at Charlotte Middle School from Strategic Equipment LLC for \$36,523.19.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried

Dr. Weeks recommended the purchase of serving line equipment with installation at Dickson Middle School from Strategic Equipment LLC for \$57,801.44.

**#2262 Motion to approve purchase of serving line equipment at Dickson Middle School**

Motion was made by Joe Underwood, seconded by Sonya Brogdon to approve the purchase of serving line equipment with installation at Dickson Middle School from Strategic Equipment LLC for \$57,801.44.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes

Yes-6                  No-0                  Pass-0                  Absent-0                  Abstain-0

Motion carried

Dr. Weeks recommended the purchase of serving line equipment with installation at William James Middle School from Strategic Equipment LLC for \$33,243.31.

**#2263 Motion to approve purchase of serving line equipment at William James Middle School**

Motion was made by Patricia Hudson, seconded by Josh Lewis to approve the purchase of serving line equipment with installation at William James Middle School from Strategic Equipment LLC for \$33,243.31.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried

Mr. Jason Collins updated the Board on activities and changes taking place in School Nutrition. He began by thanking the staff and their dedication to making sure the students are fed whether in school or out. He spoke to the supply issues and what is being done to address this. The department is being fiscally responsible in securing items but in some situations only able to have a 60-63% fulfillment rate as compared to 90-95% in the past. There have been multiple increases in the cost of items since September. Cost of equipment has increased as well. There are items which have been discontinued with many of these being popular items. There is a shortage of disposable items as well. At this time labor issues are not problematic. One of the solutions will be more assistance from USDA and the state with waivers to change meal patterns based on what is available. Disposable items have been supplied to some degree by FEMA and TEMA. Assistance is being sought from manufacturers and producers for solutions as well. The department remains solution focused to assure that the students have what they need.

**STUDENT SERVICES**

Dr. Weeks presented the following special permissions:

- DCHS HOSA State Leadership Conference
- DMS National High School Cheerleading Championship

**#2264 Motion to approve special permissions as presented**

Motion was made by Sonya Brogdon, seconded by Patricia Hudson to approve special permissions as recommended by Dr. Weeks.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

**ADMINISTRATION**

Dr. Weeks recommended approval for the school calendar for 2023-2024 as presented.

**#2265 Motion to approve the 2023-2024 school calendar**

Motion was made by Josh Lewis, seconded by Joe Underwood to approve the 2023-2024 school calendar as recommended by Dr. Weeks.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks presented the Board calendar for meetings during the 2022-2023 school year. He corrected the September meetings with September 22 being the TSBA Fall District Meeting and September 29 being the regular session.

**#2266 Motion to approve Board meeting/Planning Session dates for 2022-2023**

Motion was made by Steve Haley, seconded by Sonya Brogdon to approve the Board meeting/planning session dates for 2022-2023.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

Dr. Weeks stated that Scott England was present to request a transfer of an easement across the Creek Wood High School property.

Mr. Scott England stated he has the potential for a sale of property that adjoins the Creek Wood High School. Some years ago the Board granted him an easement across the property and he requested the easement be transferred to the new owners.

**#2267 Motion to grant a new easement across Creek Wood High School property**

Motion was made by Josh Lewis, seconded by Steve Haley to grant a new easement across Creek Wood High School property to new owners when identified with the same conditions that were granted to Scott England.

Roll Call Vote:	Vandivort	yes	Brogdon	yes	Haley	yes
	Hudson	yes	Underwood	yes	Lewis	yes
	Yes-6	No-0	Pass-0	Absent-0	Abstain-0	

Motion carried.

## **DIRECTOR'S OF SCHOOLS REPORT**

Dr. Weeks distributed the department and Director reports. He stated that TSBA Legislative Day will begin February 14, 2022 from 1 to 7 p.m. then again with legal issues on February 15, 2022. He expressed appreciation to the Board noting tokens of appreciation that has been given by the various schools. The Legislative Dinner will be February 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sullivan Central Elementary Library. He stressed reviewing the legislative issues that have been previously presented. He reported that the Mid-Cumberland Superintendents visited Dickson County last week and thanked all who participated in that day. Budget planning is in process with meetings with Directors and Supervisors to be followed by Principal meetings. He reminded everyone that Governor Lee will present his State of the State address on January 31, 2022. He requested that the Board put the morning of February 11, 2022 on their calendars for a very important announcement for our district. A token of appreciation was presented to each Board member.

Mr. Haley questioned about Friday, January 28 and Monday, January 31 being called as distance learning days for Dickson County High School. Dr. Weeks stated due to a shortage of available staff and student absences a waiver was submitted based on certain criteria and approved by the TDOE.

## **COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS**

Board members expressed appreciation for all the gifts.

Mr. Vandivort stated that the District is still dealing with COVID and expressed desire for the legislature to take action to give the District local control.

There being no further business, motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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Kirk Vandivort, Chairman

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Danny L. Weeks, Secretary