

Talbot County Board of Education
Board Meeting
Voting Work Session
September 5, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Central Elementary/Middle/High School
Cafeteria

The Talbot County Board of Education met in a voting work session on September 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chair (D5); Mrs. Julia Leonard, Vice Chair (D1); Mr. James Steverson (D2); Mrs. Sharleta Hall (D3) and Nikki Waller (D4).

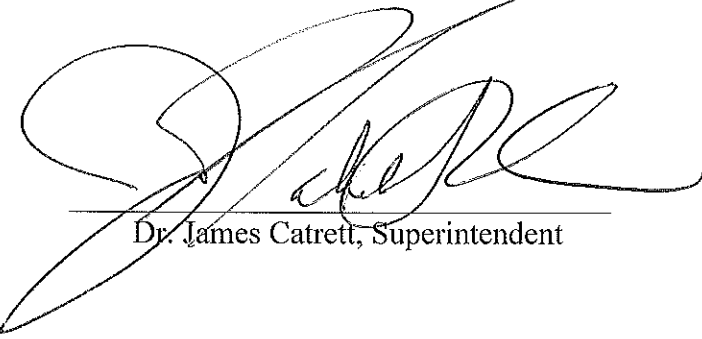
- The meeting was called to order by Chair Mildred Biggs at 6:00 p.m.
- Chair Mildred Biggs led the Moment of Silence.
- Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Mildred Biggs.
- A motion was made by Mrs. Sharleta Hall to approve the agenda for September 5, 2023, seconded by Ms. Nikki Waller. 5-0-0
- **Action Items from Superintendent**
Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
- **Internship Request and Report** – Ms. Kylie Feghali an online student with Western Governors University has asked to perform her Student Teaching for elementary education here at Central Elementary School.
- Mr. James Steverson made a motion to approve Ms. Kylie Feghali to perform her student teaching at Central Elementary, seconded by Ms. Nikki Waller. 5-0-0
- **State Board Review** – Mr. Freeman – reviewed the state board quarterly review dated back to the 2021 audit. Mr. Freeman reviewed the exceptions that have been cited and what actions have been taken to correct the audit exceptions.
- **Back To School**
Mr. Jonathan Taylor, Principal
- School Report – School has been in session over 6 weeks. It is going well with the new teachers and policy changes that have been implemented. Two teachers are having a problem with classroom management. New technology is going well, also.
- September 11th – 9/11 program will be at 10:00 a.m. in the Gym.
- Football schedule was given to the Board for Middle School and High School. October 6th – Macon County game has been changed to a home game.

- Thursday, September 14th the Dental Van will be on campus.
- Friday, September 29th – Homecoming – “Life is Sweet at CHS” – Dress up days will be September 25th – 29th. Home coming parade will be Friday, September 29th at 5:30 p.m. Homecoming game will be against Marion County.
- April 13, 2024 – Prom – For safety reasons the past few years prom has been held on campus. There is a push to have it elsewhere this year. The school’s priority is safety for our students.
- House Bill 87 – Dr. Catrett – Completion Special Schools – This is a new option by which districts can collaborate to support students over the age of 18 in need of additional assistance to graduate high school.
- Parent and Student Handbook 2023-2024 – the board was presented with the Parent and Student Handbook for 2023-2024 with the addendum for disciplining off-campus student behavior.
- Field Trip Request – Mr. Taylor

Name of Group	Date of Trip	Destination	Leave/Return times	Number of Students	Purpose of Trip
PBIS Elementary	12/4/2023	Georgia Aquarium Atlanta, GA	Leave 8: 30 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	TBA	Semester reward for the students that received Dojo points
PBIS middle grades	12/5/2023	Georgia Aquarium Atlanta, GA	Leave 8: 30 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	TBA	Semester reward for the students that received Dojo points
PBIS High school	12/6/2023	Georgia Aquarium Atlanta, GA	Leave 8: 30 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	TBA	Semester reward for the students that received Dojo points
Counselor Dept.	10/19/2023	Upson Lec Thomaston, GA	Leave – 8:30 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	25	Upson Lee Career Fair
Counselor Dept.	10/27/2023	LaGrange, GA	Leave – 7:45 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	25	Georgia Probe College Tour
Counselor Dept.	9/12/2023	Reynolds, GA	Leave – 8:30 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	TBA	Flint Energies Rural Regional Youth Leadership Program
Counselor Dept.	10/03/2023	Reynolds, GA	Leave – 8:30 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	TBA	Flint Energies Rural Regional Youth Leadership Program
Special Needs Students	9/20/2023	Callaway Gardens Pine Mtn, GA	Leave 8:00 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	53	Educational Field Trip Grant

- Mrs. Sharleta Hall made a motion to approve the PBIS field trips to the Ga Aquarium, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 5-0-0
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to approve the Counselor Dept. field trips, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 5-0-0
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to approve the Special Needs field trip to Callaway Gardens, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0

- Board Training – Dr. Catrett presented the board with a list of board training workshops available through GSBA.
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:22 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0
- Mrs. Julia Leonard made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:46 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to hire Ms. Tracey Marshall and Ms. Annie Powell as bus monitors/substitute teachers, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 5-0-0
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to hire CWO Robert Altizer as a JROTC teacher, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 5-0-0
- Mrs. Sharleta Hall made a motion to hire Ms. Soujanya Jadi as an Elementary Teacher, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 5-0-0
- Chair Mildred Biggs moved to adjourn at 6:59 p.m.



Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent



Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson