Talbot County Board of Education
Board Meeting
Work Session
February 1, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Central Elementary/Middle/High School
Cafeteria

The Talbot County Board of Education met in a voting work session on February 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mrs. Julia Leonard, (D1), Mr. James Steverson, Vice Chair (D2), Mrs. Sharleta Hall, Chairperson (D3), Mr. Carlton Mahone (D4), Mrs. Mildred Biggs (D5). The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharleta Hall at 6:00 p.m.

- Chair Sharleta Hall led the Moment of Silence.
- Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Sharleta Hall.
- A motion was made by Mr. Carlton Mahone to approve the agenda for February 1, 2022 agenda seconded by Mrs. Mildred Biggs. 5-0-0
- Action Items from Superintendent Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
- STAR Banquet Dr. Tarleton The banquet will be Thursday, February 3, 2022. Jiquavious Barnes and Clayton Teat will be honored as the STAR student and STAR Teacher.
- Guidance Counselor Update Dr. Tarleton During the February Faculty Meeting, Ms. Battle and I talked with the faculty about stress reduction and coping with anxiety. They were given a flier outlining the information covered.
  - A Navy recruiter visited with six seniors today. All seniors have committed to plans for their future.
- After School Program Ms. Jasmin Sparks presented to the board the concept of the After School Program. Teachers are helping students to get "caught up" from Covid. In addition to helping students do their homework. The number of students taking advantage of the after school program is increasing daily. The students are provided an afternoon snack and transportation home at the end of the day.
- Covid19 Mrs. Walker A four week comparison report was presented. From January 18, 2022 through February 1, 2022 Covid19 cases increased by 85, antigen case by 11, deaths by 1 and hospitalizations by 2.
- Covid19 Threat Update Mrs. Epps Due to the continued rise in Covid19 numbers, we
  are still at a high threat rate. The federal government is pushing state governors to return
  to some state of normalcy.

• Curriculum Update – Mrs. Epps – Superintendent Woods – the educational and emotional needs of students are being met.

We are preparing for Georgia Milestones in grades  $3 - 12^{th}$ . There will be no summary ratings this year. Content mastery will be graded with no change in the calculation. We will not have to report student attendance due to the impact of quarantine and illnesses.

GaDoe is working to expand cyber security for each school district.

• School Report – Mr. Taylor –Georgia Accreditation five year visit will be Thursday, February 10, 2022.

Sports Update – First Track Meet is March 10, 2022 at Marion County.

The final Basketball games are:

February 1, 2022 – home vs Stewart Co.; February 4<sup>th</sup> home vs. Macon – Senior Night; and February 7<sup>th</sup> home vs. Chattco.

- Georgia Association of Accreditation Talbot County Schools will be reviewed for the Five Year Accreditation on Thursday, February 17, 2022.
- Special Called Election due to the untimely passing of Judge Terry, it is our hope that the special election fees will be shared with the probate court election.

• Chair Sharleta Hall moved to adjourn at 6:59 p.m.

Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent

Mrs. Sharleta Hall, Chairperson