


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

The Talbot County Board of Education met in a voting work session on June 6, 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).

- 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 Mr. James Steverson to approve the agenda for June 6, 2023, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 4-0-0
- Action Items from Superintendent
Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
- Library Board of Trustees Appointments – Ms. Regina Leonard was reappointed to serve on the Talbot County Regional Library Board. Her term dates will be July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2026. In addition, Mrs. Julia Leonard was appointed from the board to replace Mrs. Biggs' unexpired term.
- A motion was made by Mrs. Sharleta Hall to approve the appointments to the Talbot County Library Board, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 4-0-0
- Summer School – Mr. Taylor – Summer school will run June 5 – June 30, 2023. The first day there were 90 students in attendance. In addition to academics a recreation program is offered too.
- Student Handbook Changes – Mr. Taylor presented changes to the Student Handbook and Teacher Handbook for school year 2023-2024. The changes are attached.
- A motion was made by Mrs. Sharleta Hall to approve the changes to the Student Handbook and the Teacher Handbook as presented, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 4-0-0
- Policy Public Participation in Board Meeting Review – Dr. Catrett -The Board decided to postpone action on this until the June 27, 2023 board meeting. The two choices are to be posted on the website to allow public comment.
- GSBA Summer Conference – Ms. Andrews – the Board members were given their travel packets for the GSBA Summer conference beginning June 8, 2023 in Savannah, GA.

- Budget Hearing 1 – Mr. Freeman- the first reading of the FY2024 budget will be June 27, 2023.
- Review of School Board Retreat – the retreat was very informative including Whole Board Training from Ms. Zenda Bouie.
- Juneteenth Holiday, June 19, 2023- The school district will be closed in order to celebrate this federal holiday.
- Mr. James Steverson made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:27 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 4-0-0
- Mrs. Julia Leonard made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 4-0-0
- Mrs. Julia Leonard made a motion to hire Jaymes Harlan, Elementary Teacher, Vilma Jhade , Special Education Teacher, Shahanaze Mahammad , Special Education Teacher, Shawana Owens, Behavioral Aid, Goli Prathiba, Elementary Teacher , seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 4-0-0
- Chair Mildred Biggs moved to adjourn at 7:14 p.m.



Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent



Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson