

Talbot County Board of Education
Board Meeting
Voting Work Session
October 3, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Central Elementary/Middle/High School
Cafeteria

The Talbot County Board of Education met in a voting work session on October 3, 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 Ms. Nikki Waller to approve the agenda for October 3, 2023, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 5-0-0
- **Action Items from Superintendent**
Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
- **Talbot County Health Department – Ms. Mindy Sampson, RN** informed the school board of the services and programs that the Health Department provides.
- **Curriculum Update**
Mrs. Cynthia Epps, Assistant Superintendent
- Attendance and School Climate Mandatory Protocol Meeting will convene on Wednesday, October 18, 2023 with Judge Smith presiding. The meeting will take place at the Talbot County Family Connection at noon.
- DRC Beacon/STAR Reading Math – assessment programs – Assessment programs throughout the school year to help students to be stronger with their Milestone testing in the spring. This is for grades 3 – 8 in English, Language Arts and Mathematics. These tests can inform instruction to meet the needs of the students. This is at no costs to us.
- FIP Formative Instructional Practices – is a resource from GaDoe it is instructional practices for the teacher. It changes the learning culture in the classroom. It's goal is to put the responsibility of learning on the student.
- GSBA Student Video Contest – The video has been submitted as requested. The students enjoyed making the video.

- **Central Elementary/Middle High School**

Mr. Jonathan Taylor, Principal

- After School Program – we are averaging 75 students per day. I-ready is the program being used for the after school program. The students do a diagnostic tests first, the program then creates an instructional plan for each individual student.
- Homecoming Week – was very successful. The Game and concessions earned \$7,100 in revenue.
- GSBA Video Contest – Mr. Flute’s students prepared a video for this competition. The video was forwarded via text to the board members. The students recognized the custodial staff.
- Upcoming Events:
 - a. Report cards go home on Wednesday, October 4th
 - b. Football Game Home vs. Macon County at 6:30 p.m.
 - c. Fall Break – October 9th – 13th
 - d. Attendance Protocol Meeting – Wednesday, October 18th at 12 p.m.
 - e. Red Ribbon Week School Report – October 23rd – 27th “Be Kind to Your Mind, Live Drug Free”
 - f. PTO Curriculum Night - Monday, October 30th 5 – 7 p.m.
 - g. Thursday, September 14th the Dental Van will be on campus.
- Field Trip Request – Mr. Taylor

Name of Group	Date of Trip	Destination	Leave/Return times	Number of Students	Purpose of Trip
JROTC	10/17/2023	Kia Manufacturing LaGrange, GA	Leave 8: 00 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	54	Plant tour: stems educational tour
Counseling Dept. Empower You Leadership Students	11/6/2023	Empower Youth Leadership Perry, GA	Leave 8: 00 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	8	Empower Rural Regional Youth Leadership Program
Counseling Dept. Student Advisory Board	11/14/2023	RESA Student Advisory Board Americus, GA	Leave 8: 00 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	2	RESA Student Advisory Board Meeting
Counseling Dept. Upward Bound Members	11/15/2023	Denmark, S.C.	Leave 8: 00 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	35	Voorhees Univ. Campus Visit

- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to approve the field trips, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0

- Project Request – Mr. Taylor


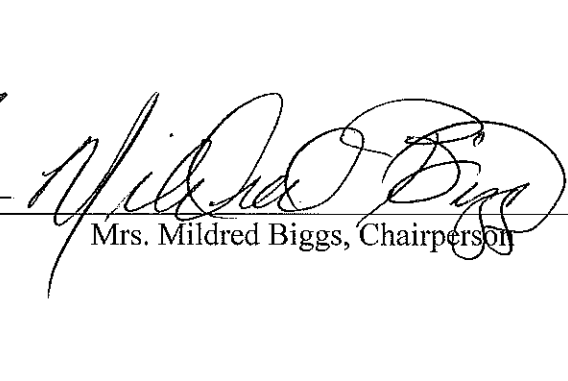
Name of Group	Date of Project	Project	Description	Money Used for
Counseling Department	3/21/2024	College and Career Day Event	College and Career day provides a platform for students to directly interact with members of the educational and career professional field.	n/a

- Mrs. Sharleta Hall made a motion to approve the Project Request, seconded by Ms. Nikki Waller. 5-0-0

- Facility Request – Mr. Taylor

Name of Group	Date	Facility Used For	Location	Hours
Frances Willard Chapter #400 OES	10/28/2023	Thelma Blount Scholarship Breakfast	Cafeteria	5 hours

- Mr. James Steverson made a motion to approve the Facility Request, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 5-0-0
- Mr. James Steverson made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:53 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0
- Mrs. Julia Leonard made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:54 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to hire Mr. Walter Swan as a Community Coach and Ms. Alexia Crawford as a Technology Specialist, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 5-0-0
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to accept the resignation of Anuradha Kalum, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 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 7:57 p.m.

Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
 Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson