

Talbot County Board of Education  
Board Meeting  
February 13, 2024– 6:00 p.m.  
Central Elementary/Middle/High School  
Cafeteria

The Talbot County Board of Education met in regular session on February 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson (D5); Mrs. Sharleta Hall, Vice Chair, (D3); Mrs. Julia Leonard, (D1); Mr. James Steverson, (D2); Ms. 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 February 13, 2024 agenda, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 5-0-0
- A motion was made by Ms. Nikki Waller to approve the January 10, 2024 and January 16, 2024 board minutes, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 5-0-0

- **Public Agenda**

Ms. Kinievel Johnson presented a request to the school board to hold the Prom off campus along with \$1,500 from the school.

- **Action Items from Superintendent**

*Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent*

**School Food Service**

*Ms. Andrea Mahone, Director*

**Food Service Report for January 31, 2024**

- Budget- \$659,000.00
- Expended- \$322,887.67
- Obligated- (593.88)
- Balance- \$335,518.45
- Percentage Spent - 49%                      Percentage Remaining - 51%

**Financial Report for January 31, 2024***Mr. Torrence Freeman, CFO*

- Budget- \$8,855,631.62
- Expended- \$3,913,248.56
- Obligated – (\$59,225.22)
- Balance - \$4,942,383.06
- Percentage Spent- 55.82%                      Percentage remaining- 44.18%

- **Elementary/Middle/High School**

*Mrs. Brenda Walker, Assistant Principal*

- Mrs. Walker reviewed the internal accounts:

Beginning Balance	\$ 34,355.89
Total Deposits	\$ 4,042.14
Total Checks	\$ 8,872.92
Ending Balance	\$ 29,597.61

**Guidance Counselor Department***Dr. Jenie Carter*

Dr. Carter introduced members of the student council to the Board.

There are 18 seniors preparing to graduate. Fourteen of them have applied to colleges/universities, 11 have already been accepted. Four students are working with recruiters preparing to enlist in the armed forces.

Dr. Carter then presented a slideshow highlighting a campus visit for the middle/high school agricultural students at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton and Lincoln Technical College's on-site visit with the junior/senior classes along with the Youth Leaders' trip to the state capital.

- **PBIS "Positive Behavior Intervention Supports"**

*Ms. Daphne Daniels*

- Ms. Daniels brought three students before the school board to be recognized as PBIS Ambassadors for the month of January 2024. The students are:

Carson Thompson– Central Elementary  
Tanyah Matthews – Central Middle School  
Adrea Thomas – Central High School

The students were presented with a certification of honor and a gift card to Chick-Fillet.

- **Student Council Members** – Dr. Carter introduced the Student Council President, Vice President and Secretary to the Board.

- **Middle School Boy’s Basketball Team** – Coach Oglesby presented the Middle School Boy’s Basketball Team to the school board recognizing them for an outstanding year.
- **American Rescue plan (ESSER III)** – ESSER III  
*Mr. Torrence Freeman*  
American Rescue Plan ends September 30, 2024. There are more guidelines to follow under ESSER III. One of the requirements is a survey for the public to complete. A percentage of this plan must be spent on learning loss.

- **Field Trip Request**

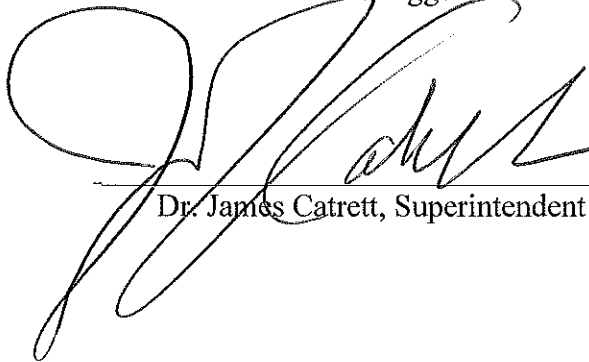
Name of Group	Date of Trip	Destination	Leave/Return times	Number of Students	Purpose of Trip
Counseling Dept. Upward Bound Students	3/09/2024	Cobb Galleria Atlanta, GA	Leave TBA Return TBA	15	HBCU College Fair
Counseling Dept. Empower Youth Students	3/01/2024	Camp John Hope Ft. Valley, Ga	Leave 8:00 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	8	Flint Energies Rural Regional Youth Leadership Program

- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to approve the Counseling Department’s Field Trip Requests, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0

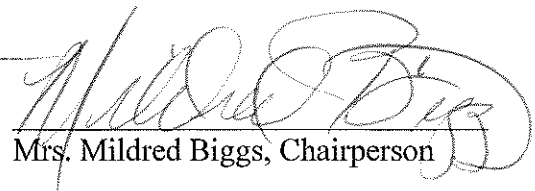
- **Project Request**

Name of Group	Date of Project	Project	Description	Money Used for
JROTC	April 9 – 26, 2024	World Finest Chocolate Sale	Chocolate bar sales through direct sale method	Operational items, military ball for 2025, school opening picnic, awards and other events

- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to approve the JROTC’s Project Request, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 5-0-0
- Chair Mildred Biggs moved to adjourn at 7:18 p.m.



Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent



Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson