

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

The Talbot County Board of Education met in a voting work session on February 6, 2024 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) (6:45 p.m.). Ms. Nikki Waller (D4) was not present.

- The meeting was called to order by Chair Mildred Biggs at 6:13 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 February 6, 2024, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 3-0-0
- **Curriculum Update**
Mrs. Cynthia Epps, Assistant Superintendent
- Federal Budget Amendments – the last amendments have been submitted on the Federal Budget.
- Georgia Milestone Testing Schedule – The testing schedule has been submitted to the state. End of Grade will begin on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 through April 30, 2024.
- Family Engagement Department will be hosting a Dyslexia Workshop for Parents, February 12, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.– Guest presenter – Brandon Parks, Chattahoochee-Flint Resa.
- Teachers' Vertical Alignment Meetings – Mondays 3:30-4:40 – this is subject by subject across the grade levels. Great networking and collaboration is happening in these meetings.
- Superintendent Woods (Statewide Literacy Coaching Model) – The state focus is on literacy. Reading is still fundamental.
- **Central Elementary/Middle High School**
Mr. Jonathan Taylor
- Basketball Region Tournament Brackets:
 - Central Boys 7th
 - Central Girls 8th

- Basketball All Region Team:
 - Girls – Autumn Horton – 2nd Team All Region
 - Boys – Joshua Seldon – Co-Offensive Player of the Year
 - Demarcus White – First Team All Region
- Baseball and Track Schedules were given to the Board Members.
- Black History Program – Thursday, February 29, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. The theme is “Our Town”.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Girl’s Basketball – Friday at Schley – 6:00 p.m. Region Tournament
 - Boy’s Basketball – Saturday at Marion Co. – 1:00 p.m. Region Tournament
 - Baseball – Thursday, February 8th Crawford 4:30 p.m.

- **Action Items from Superintendent**
Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent

- FY2025 Budget Timeline was reviewed with the Board
- Legislative Positions of GSBA were presented to the Board. Dr. Catrett encouraged board members to speak out supporting or not-supporting GSBA’s legislative positions through Board Chair Biggs.
- Delegates for the upcoming June 7th Summer Conference are to be appointed by May 10, 2024.
- Field Trip Request – Mr. Taylor

Name of Group	Date of Trip	Destination	Leave/Return times	Number of Students	Purpose of Trip
JROTC	3/08/2024	Ft. Moore, GA	Leave 8:15 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	50	Examine various job specialties available in the Army
JROTC	3/05/2024	Ft. Moore, GA Airborne Facility	Leave 8:00 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	50	Introduce cadets to airborne operations within the military
Counseling Dept. Juniors/Seniors	2/14/2024	Upson County	Leave 8:00 a.m. Return 2:00 p.m.	35	Career Fair
FFA	2/07/2024	Fort Valley, GA	Leave 2:30 p.m. Return TBD	1 – 3	Prepared Public Speaking and Creed LDE
FFA	2/15/2024	Camp John Hope	Leave 2:30 p.m. Return TBD	8	Nursery Landscape & Forestry Career Development event

- Mrs. Sharleta Hall made a motion to approve the JROTC’s Field Trip Requests, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 4-0-0
- Mr. James Steverson made a motion to approve the Counselor’s Field Trip Request, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 4-0-0

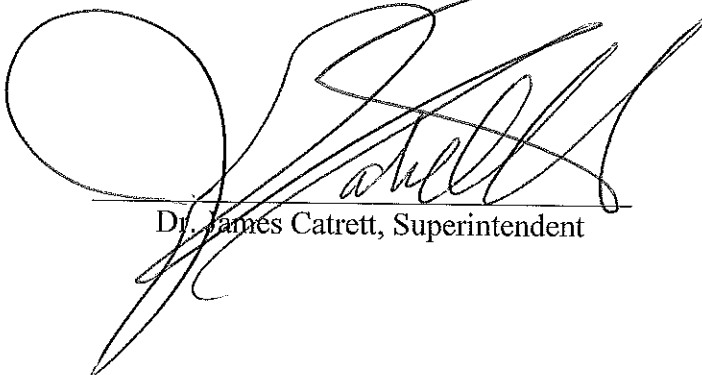
- Mrs. Julia Leonard made a motion to approve the FFA Field Trip Requests, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 4-0-0
- Project Request – Mr. Taylor

Name of Group	Date of Project	Project	Description	Money Used For
FFA	2/14/2024	Valentine Candy Gram	FFA will make/sell small goodie bags of candy that will be delivered during class/lunch to students.	Money earned will be used for field trips, CDE, and SAE projects.

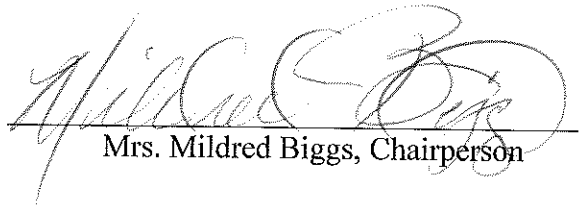
- Mrs. Sharleta Hall made a motion to approve the JROTC’s Project Request, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 4-0-0
- Facility Request – Mr. Taylor

Name of Group	Date	Facility Used For	Description	Location For Use
Talbot County Sheriff	4/18/2024	Governor’s Office of Highway Safety	Annual Training Meeting	Cafeteria

- Mr. James Steverson made a motion to approve the Facility Request, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 4-0-0
- Mrs. Sharleta Hall made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 4-0-0
- Mr. James Steverson made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:53 p.m. seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 4-0-0
- Mrs. Julia Leonard made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 Teacher Renewal list as presented, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 4-0-0
- Chair Mildred Biggs moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.



Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent



Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson