

Talbot County Board of Education
Board Meeting
October 5, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
Central Elementary/Middle/High School
Cafeteria

The Talbot County Board of Education met in a voting work session on October 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. James Steverson, Vice Chair (D2), Mrs. Sharleta Hall, Chairperson (D3), Mr. Carlton Mahone (D4), Mrs. Mildred Biggs (D5). Mr. Anton Turner, (D1) was absent.

- 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. James Steverson to approve the agenda for October 5, 2021 agenda seconded by Mr. Carlton Mahone 4-0-0
- Action Items from Superintendent
Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
- Recognition of Ms. Debra Ayers, Substance Abuse Program Manger, Morehouse School of Medicine – Dr. Catrett and Mrs. Hall presented Ms. Ayers with a Certificate of Appreciation for service to the students of Central Elementary-High School; In addition, Ms. Ayers presented Talbot County Schools with a plaque of thanks for our service and dedication to the Alcohol Substance Abuse Prevention Project.
- Dr. Beverly A. Townsend, MBA, FAAFP, W. Georgia Health Department Director and Ms. Brandi Nelson, Epidemiologist – DPH presented valuable information about Covid19 and the Delta Variant. They emphasized the importance of the inoculations to help stop the spread of this pandemic. Dr. Catrett and Mrs. Hall presented them with certificates of appreciation for their presentation.
- Curriculum Update
Mrs. Cynthia Epps, Assistant Superintendent
The federal government has not waived the Georgia Milestones. We will issue the Georgia Milestones in the spring. The Federal Cliff application has been approved. All Federal Grants are in the process of budgeting. We expect that our county's budget will be approved by the end of this month.

Georgia Department of Education has launched an esser fund that will provide a simple transparent way for the public to see Georgia school districts' cares act money. It will allow the public to see what budgets are approved and the time remaining for spending the money. The dashboard is located on the GaDoe website inside the Covid19 resource portion.

State Superintendent has stated that we are committed to using Covid19 release funds to improve student learning and support all students' mental and emotional learning.

- Central High School
Mr. Jonathan Taylor, Principal
Mrs. Brenda Walker, Assistant Principal

Remote learning will end on Friday, October 15, 2021. Students will return to in-person on Monday, October 18, 2021.

Report Cards will go home on Wednesday, October 6, 2021

Fall break will be October 11, 2021 through October 15, 2021. The school will be deep cleaned and sprayed during this time.

Homecoming Football Game will be Friday, October 29, 2021. The alumni association has decided not to have tailgating again this year due to Covid. There will be a homecoming parade Friday, October 29, 2021 at 5:30. Lineup will begin at 4:30 at the school. Board members are invited to participate.

- Guidance Counselor Update
Dr. Jody Tarleton, Director

October 25 – 29, 2021 Red Ribbon Week will kick-off.
 Monday – Kickoff – presenter, red ribbons and announce essay;
 Tuesday – Wear Red;
 Wednesday – Sign poster to commit to remain drug/alcohol free;
 Thursday – Announce essay winners; and
 Friday – pencils and wrist bands to be passed out.

We will have a STAR student and Teacher this year. The STAR student will be identified after the November 6th SAT exam scores are in. This is the last qualifying date to be the STAR.

- Special Education – Professional Development
Dr. Fenton Dixon, Director

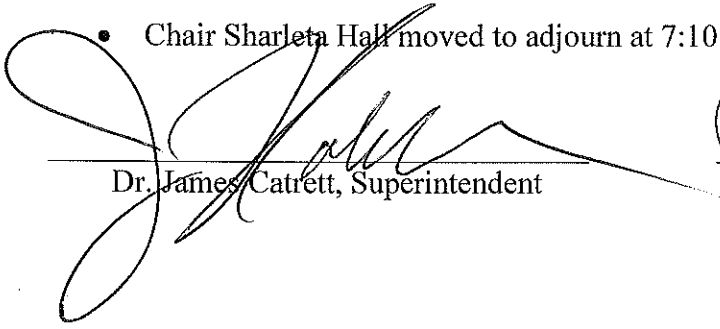
Special Education student numbers: Elementary 14; Middle School 12; High School 15.

Professional Development Platform: EDIVATE – the names of all teachers will be uploaded into the program; Dr. Dixon will be the Super User for EDIVATE; modules will be assigned to teachers.

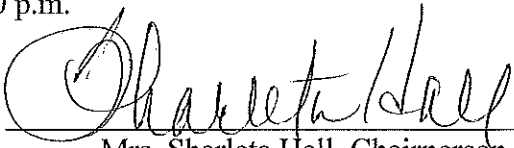
- Field Trip Request

Name of Group	Date of Trip	Destination	Leave/Return Time	Number of Students	Purpose of Trip
CEHS Band	11/13/2021	Voorhees College Denmark, SC	Leave 8:15 a.m. Return 2:30 p.m.	50	Homecoming parade

- Mrs. Mildred Biggs made a motion to approve the Field Trip seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 4-0-0
- Dr. Catrett informed the Board that Ms. Zenda Bowie will be here on Saturday, October 16, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to noon to help the Board explore and write their Board Protocols.
- Chair Sharleta Hall moved to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.



Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent



Mrs. Sharleta Hall, Chairperson