

Talbot County Board of Education
Board Meeting
Voting Work Session
April 11, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Central Elementary/Middle/High School
Cafeteria

The Talbot County Board of Education met in a voting work session on April 11, 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 Mrs. Sharleta Hall to approve the agenda for April 11, 2023, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 4-0-0
- A motion was made by Mr. James Steverson to approve the March 31, 2023 board minutes, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 4-0-0
- Action Items from Superintendent
Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
- New Board Member Update – Dr. Catrett

Minutes have been signed and will be forwarded to the Secretary of State for Ms. Nikki A. Waller's appointment to the District 4 School Board seat. Tuesday, April 18, 2023 is the tentative date for swearing in.

- School Safety Report – Officer Rush and Captain Williams

Capt. Williams briefed the Board on the drive-by shooting in Manchester, Ga. On Monday, April 10, 2023.

Our top priority is to keep students and staff safe. The school is on Code Yellow which limits anyone from being in front of the school with the exception of loading/unloading buses. Doors are to remain locked at all times. RSO are being more visible in the school.

Officer Rush updated precautions for the Prom. The students will go through a DUI re-enactment tomorrow at 1:30. Due to Code Yellow, students will access the gym through the back for the Prom. They will be wand in; once students come in they cannot exit. The students have been briefed on these procedures

- Curriculum Update – Mrs. Epps

Bi-Annual Attendance and School Climate Protocol Meeting with Judge Arthur Smith will be in May 2023.

Georgia Milestone Assessment EOG and EOC will start on April 24, 2023 and end on May 19, 2023.

GaDoe has posted ELA Standards for public Comment for 30 days. This is posted on the GaDoe website.

Lessons learned from the Nashville, TN Active Shooter incident at the Covenant Presbyterian School- Georgia Emergency Management went to Nashville to the debriefing so that Georgia can learn from what happened. The staff and administration was very well trained. These measures helped save lives that day.

- School Report – Mrs. Walker

Cognia Update – School accreditation April 17, 2023 zoom meeting with the Administrative Staff. Most of the accreditation process will be done on-line.

Georgia Milestone – testing is here; teachers and students have been in test mode for some time.

- Guidance Counselor Update – Dr. Carter

Our students come to school with a lot of baggage. The Guidance Office is open to our students and staff concerns and fears. They feel safe and comfortable coming to my office. My foremost priority is the wellbeing of our students and staff.

There have been two mandatory reporting child abuse cases this week.

- Board Retreat/Meeting Dates/Save the Dates

The Board members selected May 31 and June 1, 2023 for a Board Retreat at the Ellerslie, GA Park. Members were also given a list of Board meeting dates through the remainder of the year along with save the dates for their annual conferences in June and November, 2023.

- Construction Update

The Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference will be held March 29, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Local Current Standard Time at the Talbot County Board of Education office, located at 945 North Washington Avenue, Talbotton, GA 31827.

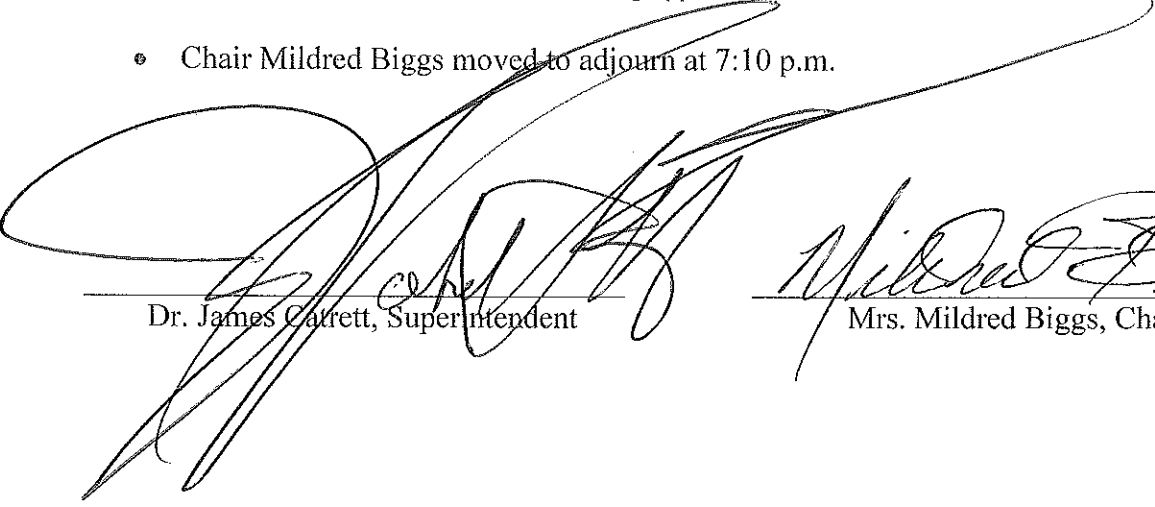
Schedule of Events:

- a. Owner issues public/website advertisement of RFQ/RFP: 3/14/2023
- b. Owner conducts Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference: 3/29/2023 at 10:00 am

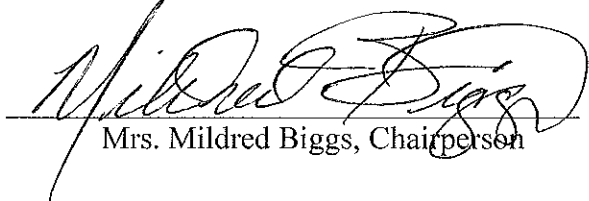
- c. Deadline for written questions/requests for clarification (see Section 7): 4/11/2023 at 10:00 am
- d. Deadline for submission of Statements of Qualifications: 4/18/2023 at 2:00 pm
- e. Owner completes evaluation, and issues notification to finalist firms: 4/25/2023
- f. Committee or Board interviews finalist firms: 5/02/2023 TBA
- g. Board approval of CP selected: 5/09/2023 (**Called Board Meeting**)

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals and to waive technicalities and formalities. No Proposal may be withdrawn for a period of ninety days subsequent to the opening of proposals without written consenting approval of the Owner

- Chair Mildred Biggs moved to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.



Dr. James Calrett, Superintendent



Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson