

Talbot County Board of Education
Board Meeting
Voting Work Session
June 3, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.
Central Elementary/Middle/High School
Board Room

The Talbot County Board of Education met in a voting work session on June 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chair (D5); Mrs. Sharleta Hall, Vice Chair (D3); Mrs. Julia Leonard, (D1); Mr. James Steverson (D2); 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 June 3, 2025, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0
- **Action Items from Superintendent**
Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
- **Complimentary Letter** – Dr. Catrett read to the Board Members a letter received complementing Clayton Teat on his professionalism as acting Special Education Director.
- **FY26 Budget Hearing Rules**
Mr. Torrence Freeman
 1. Stakeholders may ask questions concerning the budget;
 2. CFO will ask if there are any questions at certain talking points;
 3. Audience will raise their hands and be called upon by the CFO;
 4. Only questions pertaining to the budget will be responded to;
 5. CFO will table any questions needing more research and will respond to them at the next Budget Hearing; and
 6. Any questions pertaining to an individual's salary will have to be submitted as an open records request.
- **Budget Timeline**
Mr. Torrence Freeman
 1. June 10, 2025- 4:00 p.m. Public Meeting for the FY26 Tentative General Fund Budget;
 2. June 17, 2025 Board receives the FY26 final proposed budget for consideration and review; and
 3. June 24, 2024 – 4:00 p.m. Public Meeting for the FY26 Tentative Budget (final).

Board considers adoption of the final FY26 budget, to include all known budgets as of this date. (If the budget is not approved at this meeting, the Board must “recess” and announce the place, date and time of the meeting when the budget will again be considered for adoption.

- **Central Elementary/Middle High School**

Mr. Jonathan Taylor

1. Baccalaureate/Commencement
2. Summer School June 2nd – 26, 2025
 - a. Remediation – 40 students
 - b. Recreation Department – 15 students
3. Leadership Retreat – June 10th – 12, 2025 1:30 – 5:00 p.m.
 - a. Review School Data
 - b. Professional Learning for next year
 - c. Update Continuous School Improvement Plan
 - d. Student Handbook changes

- **New Clinic Services**

Mrs. Cynthia Epps

- Valley Healthcare System, Inc. and the Talbot County Schools are negotiating an MOU to form a working relationship to provide medical, dental and vision services to our students and employees.

- **Summer Groceries for Kids**

Mrs. Dorothy Bass

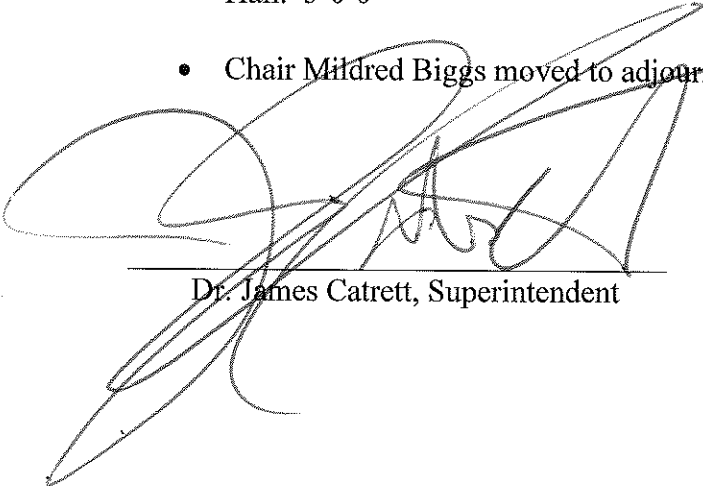
- The Black Lotus Project is partnering with the Talbot Center for Rural Studies to provide food to the children of Talbot County. They will be at two locations every Tuesday throughout the summer. Food will be distributed in Woodland from noon to 1 p.m. and the Talbot Center for Rural Studies location from 3 – 4 p.m.

- **GSBA Summer Conference**

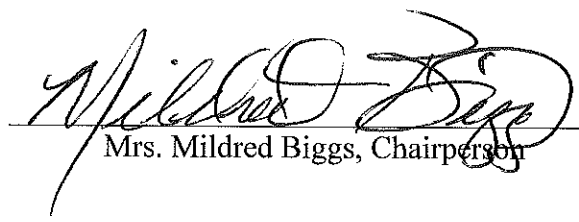
Ms. Joy Andrews

- GSBA Summer Conference will begin Thursday, June 5, 2025 through Saturday, June 7, 2025 in Savannah, Georgia.
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to go in to Executive Session at 6:41 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:14 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0

- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to accept the recommendation for employment of Ms. Lashayquana Collier as an Elementary Social Studies Teacher, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0
- Chair Mildred Biggs moved to adjourn at 7:16 p.m.



Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent



Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson