

Talbot County Board of Education
Board Meeting
Voting Work Session
May 6, 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 May 6, 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 May 6, 2025, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0
- **Action Items from Superintendent**
Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent
- **Storm Update**
Mrs. Cynthia Epps
- There are five families with seven children that have been displaced by the tornado that touched down in Woodland Saturday night. Leigh Ann Erenheim, EMA Director reached out to the school district asking if the gymnasium would be available should the need arise. She advised Sunday that the families had been provided housing through the Red Cross.
- **Central Elementary/Middle High School**
Mr. Jonathan Taylor
- Teacher Appreciation Week – May 5th – 9th. Various vendors are providing breakfast or lunch for the faculty.
- Senior, Jordan Mahone is going to State in track for discus throw. He will compete this Saturday, May 10, 2025 in Albany, GA.
- Baccalaureate/Commencement practice schedule was provided to the school board members.

- **Upcoming Events:**

- a. Friday, May 9th – National Honors Society Induction Program – 10:00 a.m.
- b. Saturday, May 10th – 8th Grade Formal from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.
- c. Thursday, May 15th Elementary Field Day (K-2 – 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.) (3 – 5 12:00 – 2:30)
- d. Friday, May 16th Pre-K Celebrations/Senior Walk @ 2:30
- e. Sunday, May 18th – Baccalaureate @ 10:00
- f. Tuesday, May 20th – Middle School Graduation @ 6:00
- g. Wednesday, May 21st – Kindergarten Graduation @ 6:00
- h. Thursday, May 22nd – Awards Day Elementary @ 9:30 Middle/High School @ 1:45
- i. Friday, May 23rd – Last Day of School
- j. Saturday, May 24th – Commencement @ 10:00
- k. Tuesday, May 27th – Teacher Retirement Celebration @ 12:00

- **Class of 2025 Honor Students**

Dr. Jenie Carter

- Columbus Technical College has proposed an opportunity for our high school students to earn certificates of completion in two technical areas. They will bring a mobile unit on campus to give the high school students an opportunity to pursue certification in welding or carpentry.
- Seven of our senior class members have earned the recognition of being an Honor Graduate. To be recognized as an Honor Graduate a student must earn a grade point average of 85 or above calculated from the 9th through the 12th grade. Our 2024 -2025 Honor Graduates are:

ZaKiya Terry
 Annatasia Grier
 Riley Thomas
 Autumn Horton
 Ikerria Carter
 Jordan Mahone
 Janelle Hollis

- **Facility Request** – Mr. Taylor, Assistant Superintendent

Name of Group	Date	Facility Used For	Location For Use	Hours
Talbot County Head Start	5/15/2025	Transitional Ceremony	Gymnasium	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to approve the Facility Request, seconded by Mr. James Steverson. 5-0-0

- **Field Trip Request** – Mr. Taylor, Assistant Superintendent

Name of Group	Date of Trip	Destination	Leave Time/Return Time	Number of Students	Purpose of Trip
Counselor Dept. Fort Valley Educational Talent Search	5/15/2025	Georgia Aquarium/Coke Cola Center	Leave – 8:30 a.m. Return 3:00 p.m.	25	Fort Valley Educational Talent Search program will provide transportation and lunch for students

- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to approve the Field Trip Request, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0

- **Project Request** – Mr. Taylor, Assistant Superintendent

Name of Group	Date of Project	Project	Description	Money Used For
Athletic/High School Office	2025-26 School Year	Vending machines(snack and beverage)	Placement of 2 vending machines (one for gym/one for cafeteria)	Money will be used for athletic supplies/events, awards days, teacher appreciation, etc.

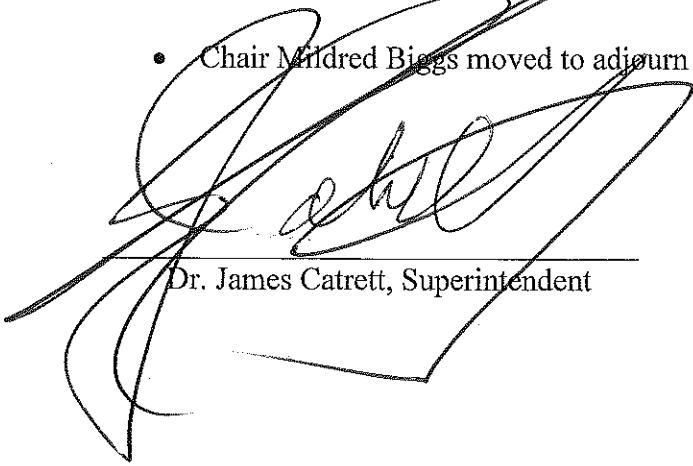
- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to approve the Project Request, seconded by Mrs. Julia Leonard. 5-0-0

- Mr. James Stevenson made a motion to go in to Executive Session at 6:32 p.m., seconded by Ms. Nikki Waller. 5-0-0

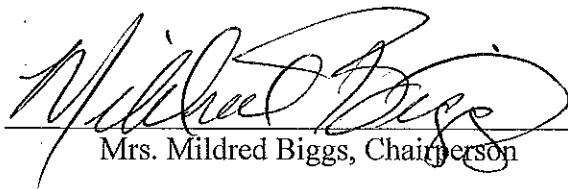
- Mrs. Julia Leonard made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:48 p.m., seconded by Ms. Nikki Waller. 5-0-0

- Ms. Nikki Waller made a motion to accept Dr. Catrett’s recommendation for Administrators for the 2025-2026 school term, seconded by Mrs. Sharleta Hall. 5-0-0

- Chair Mildred Biggs moved to adjourn at 7:53 p.m.



Dr. James Catrett, Superintendent



Mrs. Mildred Biggs, Chairperson