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BOARD MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025

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BOARD MEETING

The Cobb County Board of Education convened for a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 3:00 p.m., at 514 Glover Street, with the following members present: Messrs. Chastain, Cristadoro, Hutchins, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Davis, Ms. Sayler, Mr. Ragsdale, Executive Secretary, and Ms. Wilcox and Ms. Ams, Board Attorneys.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Chastain, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Chastain, Board Chair, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were three (3) public commenters.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Without objection, the Board approved the following meeting minutes:

• Thursday, May 15, 2025, Board Meeting

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Monthly Board Financial Status Updates
 - Chief Financial Officer Mr. David Baker presented the monthly school district financial status update to the Board. Each Board Member received a copy of the report.
- Annual SPLOST Performance Audit
 - o Chief Financial Officer Mr. David Baker introduced Mr. Christopher McKellar of Mauldin & Jenkins, Certified Public Accountants & Advisors, who presented the performance audit of the Cobb County School District's SPLOST Program as of December 31, 2024. The primary objective of a performance audit of educational sales tax expenditures is to determine that sales tax dollars are being disbursed efficiently and economically, ensuring the school district receiving the funds is obtaining the maximum benefit possible from the tax dollars collected. Based on the results of the auditor's procedures, the auditor determined that the Cobb County School District's SPLOST Program operated within the guidelines set forth by the State of Georgia, as well as the local resolution passed by voters and approved by the School Board. The independent audit was a "clean" audit with no audit findings. A copy of the audit report was distributed to each Board Member.

BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

The Board discussed the Agenda Items listed below. These items will be brought forth for a vote during the Voting Session of the Thursday, June 12, 2025, Board Meeting:

AGENDA ITEM #1 – Recommendation for Authorization of School Properties Disposal per District Administrative Rule DO-R.

• Without objection, this item was placed on the **Consent Agenda** for the Voting Session of the Thursday, June 12, 2025, Board Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #2 – Recommendation for Approval of a Temporary Overhead Utility Easement with Georgia Power Company at Tapp Middle School

• Without objection, this item was placed on the **Consent Agenda** for the Voting Session of the Thursday, June 12, 2025, Board Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #3 – Recommendation for Approval of a Permanent Utility Easement with Georgia Power Company at Sprayberry High School

• Without objection, this item was placed on the **Consent Agenda** for the Voting Session of the Thursday, June 12, 2025, Board Meeting.

BOARD BUSINESS

- Facilities & Technology Citizens Oversight Committee Report Ms. Davis
 - Ms. Davis informed the Board that the F&T Committee was scheduled to meet on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, but due to a lack of a quorum a meeting was not conducted.
- Amendment to the Cobb Schools Foundation Bylaws (For Potential Action) Mr. Chastain
 - A motion was made by Mr. Chastain, seconded by Mr. Scamihorn, to accept the proposed changes to the Cobb Schools Foundation bylaws as shared with each Board Member. Following discussion, Mr. Chastain withdrew his motion to accept the amended bylaws as presented.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Without objection, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Ms. Davis, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, and unanimously approved by the Board at 3:48 p.m. to convene to Executive Session to discuss land, legal, student, and personnel matters following a 10-minute break. Motion carried 7-0.

VOTING SESSION

The Cobb County Board of Education met for a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Thursday, June 12, 2025, with the following members present: Messrs. Chastain, Cristadoro, Hutchins, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Davis, Ms. Sayler, Mr. Ragsdale, Executive Secretary, and Ms. Wilcox and Ms. Ams, Board Attorneys.

RECONVENE

Without objection, the Board reconvened at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Chastain, Board Chair, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD RECOGNITIONS

• Association of School Business Officials International 2024 – 2025 Meritorious Budget Award – Financial Services Division, Financial Planning & Analysis Department

- Association of School Business Officials International 2024 2025 Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting Financial Services Division, Accounting Department
- Georgia School Public Relations Association 2024 2025 Awards: 10 Gold & 2 Best in Category Strategy & Accountability Division, Communications Department
- MarCom 2024 2025 Awards: 3 Platinum & 6 Gold Strategy & Accountability Division, Communications Department

PUBLIC COMMENT

• There were four (4) public commenters.

ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel Matters

Administration recommended approval of the identified employment actions of the individuals listed on the Personnel Action Report as discussed in Executive Session.

Section I – Principal Level and Higher Position Recommendation

• Shannon, Amy appointment to Principal, McClure Middle School from Assistant Principal, Lost Mountain Middle School effective July 1, 2025.

Section II – Position Recommendations Below Principal Elementary School

- Burger, Sarah employment as Assistant Principal, Frey Elementary School from Director of Curriculum and Instructional Support, Paulding County School District, effective July 10, 2025.
- Sutton, Jessica appointment to Assistant Principal, Vaughan Elementary School from Teacher, Mountain View Elementary School effective July 10, 2025.
- Taylor, Ashley appointment to Assistant Principal, Addison Elementary School from Teacher, Baker Elementary School effective July 10, 2025.

Middle School

• Williams, Michael, Assistant Principal, McCleskey Middle School, resignation effective June 9, 2025.

High School

- Beemon, Natasha appointment to Assistant Principal, Lassiter High School from Teacher, Sprayberry High School effective July 10, 2025.
- Case, James appointment to Assistant Principal, Walton High School from Teacher, Harrison High School effective July 10, 2025.
- Cobb, Dr. Tony appointment to Assistant Principal, Campbell High School from Teacher, ASPIRE effective July 10, 2025.
- Howard, Phillip rehire as Assistant Principal, Campbell High School from Assistant Principal, Lithia Springs High School, Douglasville, GA, effective July 10, 2025.
- Monreal, Martha appointment to Assistant Principal, Osborne High School from Instructional Coach, Tapp Middle School effective July 10, 2025.
- Munlin, Deanna, Assistant Principal, Wheeler High School, retirement effective July 1, 2025.
- Nemeck, Ann reassignment to Assistant Principal, Wheeler High School from Assistant Principal, Sprayberry High School effective July 10, 2025.
 - A motion was made by Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Mr. Hutchins, and unanimously approved by the Board to accept the Personnel Action Report as read and presented in Executive Session. Motion carried 7-0.

Student Matter

- SY25-Appeal #19
 - A motion was made by Ms. Sayler, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, and approved by the Board to affirm in part and revise in part the determination of the student disciplinary tribunal as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried 6-1, with Ms. Davis voting "Nay."

SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS

The Superintendent commented on various items occurring throughout the Cobb County School District.

ACTION AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA

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• Without objection, the Board approved the **Consent Agenda Items** as presented.

ADJOURN

Without objection, the Board adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY