

**Gibson County Special School District  
Board of Trustees**

**GCSSD Board of Trustees Regular Meeting**

**Gibson County High School Library**

**May 7, 2024**

**Members Present:** Mr. Scott Ball, Mr. Benny Boals, Mr. John Campbell II, Mr. Tom Lannom, Mr. Eddie Watkins.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. John Campbell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. John Campbell called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Ball to approve the consent agenda, with a second by Mr. Benny Boals. *Motion passed.*

**ALC Report**

**Bullying/Harassment Report**

**Finance Reports**

**Juvenile Court Referrals**

**Maintenance/Technology Reports**

**Minutes Approval**

**Overnight Field Trips**

**RECOGNITION**

**Teachers of the Year & Retirees**

Principals of each school recognized their Teachers of the Year and Retirees.

Teachers of the Year

Dena Thetford - Dyer School, Stephen Powell - GCHS, Bethany Page - Kenton School, Porsha Milan - Rutherford School, Lucy Truett - SGCES, Lin Cates - SGCHS, Kristi Sorrell SGCMS, Anna Tramel - Spring Hill School, Christy Griggs - Yorkville School

Retirees

Pedro Rodriguez - Bus Driver, Dena Thetford - Dyer School, Belinda Gammons - Dyer School, Pam Grady - Dyer School, Susie Conner - GCHS, Amber Jackson - SGCHS  
Mr. Eddie Pruett recognized Mr. Jim Hughes as the Principal of the Year and Mr. Rory Hinson as the Supervisor of the Year, as well as retirees Brad Garner, Charles Salles, and Wilda Record.

**CTSO State Accomplishments**

Mr. Derek Norman and the advisors recognized students' accomplishments as they shared their successes and experiences through Career Technical Student Organizations (CTSO) such as FFA, FCCLA, FBLA, HOSA, and the Technology Student Association.

**NAMM Foundation Award Proclamation**

Mr. Jeremy Tate presented the NAMM Foundation Award to GCSSD for their Outstanding Support of Music Education.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment

**REGULAR AGENDA****Band Instruments**

Mr. Rory Hinson presented the SGCMS Band Instrument Bids.

- AMRO Music for \$49,039
- Woodwind Brasswind for \$51,240
- Sweetwater for \$60,687.31

A motion was made by Mr. Tom Lannom to approve the AMRO bid and amend the budget by \$49,039, with a second by Mr. Benny Boals. *Motion passed.*

**Employee Salary Schedule**

Mr. Rory Hinson presented the 2024-2025 Employee Salary Schedule, which includes a 5% salary increase.

A motion was made by Mr. Benny Boals to approve the 2024-2025 teacher salary schedule, with a second by Mr. John Campbell II. *Motion passed.*

**2024-2025 Board Meeting Schedule**

Mr. Eddie Pruett presented the 2024-2025 Board Meeting Schedule.

A motion was made by Mr. Eddie Watkins to approve the 2024-2025 Board Meeting Schedule, with a second by Mr. John Campbell II. *Motion passed.*

**2024-2025 Annual Board Agenda**

Mr. Eddie Pruett presented the 2024-2025 Annual Board Agenda.

A motion was made by Mr. Eddie Watkins to approve the 2024-2025 Annual Board Agenda, with a second by Mr. Benny Boals. *Motion passed.*

**Feasibility Study**

Mr. Eddie Pruett requested that the board discuss the questions they want to be answered by the feasibility study and then reach out to potential companies.

The questions that were discussed include:

- Five to ten-year maintenance cost comparison between keeping existing schools and building new ones
- Cost comparison between building a new school and updating current ones
- Potential enrollment/growth forecast
- Impact on communities, such as the closure of a school or the addition of a new one
- Effects on personnel and staff
- Land availability and cost
- Tax implications
- Configuration of current schools
- Transportation (busing)
- Benefits of consolidation for students
- Repurposing of existing buildings in case of consolidation

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT****New Hire List**

Mr. Eddie Pruett presented the new hire list. Schools are still working to fill a few open positions.

**Surplus**

Mr. Eddie Pruett presented the surplus of the genie lift.

A motion was made by Mr. Eddie Watkins to approve the surplus of the genie lift, with a second by Mr. Benny Boals. *Motion passed.*

**ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Mr. John Campbell II to adjourn, with a second by Mr. Eddie Watkins. *Motion passed.*