

**DEKALB COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**BOARD MEETING  
EXECUTIVE SESSION, WORK SESSION &  
BUSINESS MEETING  
12:30 pm**

**COMMUNITY INPUT SESSION  
5:45 pm**

**Monday, April 17, 2023**

J. David Williamson Board Room  
Robert R. Freeman Administrative Complex  
1701 Mountain Industrial Boulevard  
Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083



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**Vision**

To inspire our community of learners to achieve educational excellence

**Mission**

To ensure student success, leading to higher education, work, and life-long learning

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

By: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., Board Chair

**1. Roster**

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., Board Chair  
Mrs. Deirdre P. Pierce, Vice Chair  
Mrs. Anna Hill  
Mrs. Whitney McGinniss  
Ms. Allyson Gevertz  
Mrs. Vickie B. Turner  
Dr. Joyce Morley

Dr. Vasanne S. Tinsley, Interim Superintendent

**B. ADJOURN TO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It is requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education adjourn the April 17, 2023 meeting to an executive session for the purpose of discussing permitted matters regarding litigation, land, legal, personnel and student appeals.

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It is requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education adjourn the April 17, 2023 executive session and convene to a work session.

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

It is requested that the Board of Education adopt the April 17, 2023, work session and business meeting agenda.

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

## **D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT and COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Presented by: Dr. Vasanne S. Tinsley, Interim Superintendent

1. Superintendent's Report – Policy Review Update
2. Legislative Update  
Presented by Mr. Dan Baskerville, Senior Policy Director, Dentons

## **E. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE April 17, 2023, BUSINESS MEETING**

### **1. BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Presented by: Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr., Board Chair

- a. Chairman's Report – Cognia Update

### **2. SUPERINTENDENT**

Presented by: Dr. Vasanne S. Tinsley, Interim Superintendent

- a. Approval of Minutes

### **3. FINANCE**

Presented by: Mr. Jonathan Lance McConkey, Comptroller, Division of Finance

#### **a. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- i. Acceptance of the February 2023 Monthly Financial Reports
- b. Banking Resolutions
- c. RISK MANAGEMENT – No Agenda Items This Month

### **4. HUMAN RESOURCES**

Presented by: Dr. Tekshia Ward-Smith, Administrator, Division of Human Resources

- a. Approval of the Human Resources Monthly Report for March 2023

### **5. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

Presented by: Ms. Stacy Stepney, Chief Academic Officer, Division of Curriculum & Instruction

- a. National Summer School Initiative 2023 – Scholars Academy (in an amount not to exceed \$828,000)
- b. Music Instructional Resources Adoption
- c. Purchase of Edmentum's Apex Learning Courses and Tutorials (in an amount not to exceed \$557,270.26)

### **6. EQUITY AND STUDENT EMPOWERMENT**

Presented by: Mrs. Manomay Malathip Kidd, Executive Director of Student Advancement, Division of Equity and Student Empowerment

- a. RFP 23-520 Volunteer Management System (not to exceed \$ 70,368.75)

### **7. OFFICE OF CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT (ACCOUNTABILITY) – No Agenda Items This Month**

**8. INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY - No Agenda Items This Month**

Presented by: Ms. Monika Davis, Chief Information Officer, Division of Information and Instructional Technology

**9. COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT, INNOVATION AND PARTNERSHIPS**

Presented by: Ms. Kina M. Champion, Director of School Innovation, Division of Community Empowerment, Innovation and Partnerships

- a. International Community School (ICS) Charter Contract Amendment – FY2024 Enrollment Increase

**10. OPERATIONS**

Presented by: Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations

**a. Athletics**

- i. RFP 23-544 for Ambulance Services to Metro Ambulance Services, Inc. dba American Medical Response – Not to exceed \$250,000 annually (not to exceed \$1,250,000.00 entire contract)

**b. Facilities Management – No Agenda Items This Month**

**c. Business Services**

- i. Approval of Medical Review Officer Services Contract extension the third of four (4) one-year renewal options (in an amount not to exceed \$200,000)

**d. Fleet and Transportation Services**

- i. ITB No. 22-541 Contract Extension and Approval for Liquid Propane Gas Delivery Service for Ferrellgas Primary, and AmeriGas Propane LP Secondary, to 1st of 4 one-year contract extensions (in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 per year)

**e. School Nutrition Services**

- i. Extension (Renewal) Bid No. 20-17 Fresh Produce & Eggs (Year 4 of 4) to Royal Food Service, in the amount not to exceed \$3,141,800.00 for SY 23-24
- ii. Extension (Renewal) Bid No. 20-19 School Nutrition Paper Products (Renewal Year 4 of 4) to Southeastern Paper Group, in the amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00 for SY 23-24
- iii. Extension (Renewal) Bid No. 20-23 Bread (Year 4 of 4) to Bimbo Bakeries USA, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$891,770.00 for SY 23-24
- iv. Extension (Renewal) Bid No. 20-25 Cold Storage Services (Year 4 of 4) to Boulevard Cold Storage, in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 for SY 23-24
- v. Extension (Renewal) Bid No. 20-26 Small Wares Equipment (Renewal Year 4 of 4) to Manning Brothers Food Equipment in the amount not to exceed \$187,159.00 for SY 23-24
- vi. Extension (Renewal) Bid No. 20-28 Milk & Milk Products (Year 4 of 4) to Borden Dairy Company of Kentucky LLC in the amount not to exceed \$4,303,806.00 for SY 23-24

vii. Extension (Renewal) Bid No. 22-15 Frozen/Temperature Control & Dry Food Products (Renewal Year 2 of 4) to Gordon Food Service, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$13,397,500 for SY 23-24

viii. DeKalb Parks and Recreation Summer Feeding Program 2023 Agreement. (Vendor DeKalb County School Nutrition Services. Anticipated revenue \$446,484.04)

**f. E-SPLOST Projects – No Agenda Items This Month**

**11. DONATIONS**

- a. Donation to Dunwoody Elementary School in the amount of \$ 40,000 from the Dunwoody Elementary Parent Teacher Organization  
Presented by: Mrs. Melanie Pearch, Region I Superintendent, Office of the Superintendent

**12. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION – No Agenda Items This Month**

Presented by: Dr. Tekshia Ward-Smith, Administrator, Division of Human Resources

**13. OFFICE OF AUDITS AND COMPLIANCE – No Agenda Items This Month**

Presented by: Mr. Joel B. Thibodeaux, Director, Office of Audits & Compliance

**F. AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS & POLICIES**

1. FIRST READ - Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy DIB, New Board Regulation: DIB-R Lease Accounting  
Presented by: Mr. Jonathan Lance McConkey, Comptroller, Division of Finance
2. READY FOR ACTION – Adopt Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy BBC, Part B.1 (Membership)  
Presented by: Mrs. Deirdre P. Pierce, Vice Chair

**G. CONVENE THE COMMUNITY INPUT SESSION ~ 5:45pm**

Convened by: Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr., Board Chair

**\*Speakers**

1. Chloe Wright
2. Dr. Roberta Barber
3. Daniel Sobczak
4. Pastor Lee May
5. Bishop Frances Mills
6. Eleshia Cash
7. Miriam Martin
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- 9.
- 10.

**H. CONVENE THE BUSINESS MEETING**

It is requested that the Board of Education convene the April 17, 2023, business meeting.

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Introduction of Student Board Representative – Mr. Makhi Harrison, Lithonia**

**High School, 12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Presented by: Dr. Vasanne S. Tinsley, Interim Superintendent

**2. Recognitions**

Presented by: Mrs. Whitney McGinniss, Board Member, District 2

- a. School Library Month – DeKalb County School District (DCSD) Library Media Specialist of the Year and Georgia Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl Winner Recognitions

**I. CONSENT AGENDA**

It is requested that the DeKalb Board of Education approve the April 17, 2023, consent agenda items.

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**J. ACTION ITEM(S)**

**1. APPROVAL OF AN ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Presented by: Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr., Board Chair

**2. APPROVAL OF AN AGENDA ITEM(S) PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Presented by: Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr., Board Chair

**K. ADJOURN**

It is requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education adjourn the April 17, 2023, combined work session and business meeting.

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: \_\_\_\_\_