

# BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD ROOM, DISTRICT OFFICE MINUTES OF MEETING September 27, 2021 (Working Session)

A Work Session Board Meeting of the Elizabeth School District was held on Monday, September 27, 2021, in the Board Room, District Office.

## 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Carol Hinds called the Work Session BOE Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

## 2.0 ROLL CALL:

The following BOE Directors were present: Director Paul Benkendorf Director Kim Frumveller Director Carol Hinds Director Cary Karcher

Also present: Superintendent Douglas Bissonette, and Executive Assistant Kristen Harris.

## 3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Carol Hinds led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 4.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/BLANKET MOTION

A motion was made to approve the agenda. Motion Moved by Director Frumveller Motion Seconded by Director Benkendorf

## **ROLL CALL:**

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye Director Kim Frumveller - aye Director Carol Hinds - aye Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 4-0

## **5.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

5.1 A motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2021, Elizabeth Schools Board of Education meeting.

Motion Moved by Director Benkendorf Motion Seconded by Director Karcher

## **ROLL CALL:**

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye Director Kim Frumveller - aye Director Carol Hinds - aye Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 4-0



5.2 A motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 22, 2021, Elizabeth Schools Board of Education meeting.

Motion Moved by Director Karcher Motion Seconded by Director Frumveller

**ROLL CALL:** 

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye Director Kim Frumveller - aye Director Carol Hinds - aye Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 4-0

#### **6.0 EDUCATION SHOWCASE**

No Education Showcase

## 7.0 COMMUNICATIONS

## 7.1 Superintendent Update

Superintendent Bissonette shared an update from the Department of Education's detailed report on testing from last spring. Last spring the state did a number of things differently, one of them was they only required tests, one test per grade level. Due to this the state is only reporting half as what half as much as we normally see because usually see a math and language arts for every grade level. So Because they only required half, then they only reporting growth for the for the required tests. The cohort reference medium growth percentile means that the state, meaning growth percentile is 50th percentile, that's right in the middle. So if you're above 50, it means the students had more growth relative to other districts, or other students that had similar stuff. Elizabeth was 6<sup>th</sup> highest amongst 107 districts in English Language Arts and for mathematics was at 54%.

From the State Department of Health website, the district has been tracking data and is noting the downward trend in Elbert County as of today (Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>). The key factor for keeping kids in school in our district is parents keeping students home when they are sick, showing symptoms of covid, or someone in their house is sick, showing symptoms or waiting on a test. The district continues to provide the free at home rapid testing packs to students and parents upon request. Allowing families the opportunity to get results faster and allow the district to better serve students by not keeping healthy students out of school.

Lastly, this past week Elizabeth hosted the CASB Bus Tour where legislators had an opportunity to come to the high school and speak with students and staff from the different grade levels and learn what they most loved about being in Elizabeth School District. There was a strong sense of comradery with each school and feeling of community - the "rural" feel. Many students mentioned being comfortable talking to their teachers, working with them and feeling invested in their own education. It was nice to hear from the students and staff, leadership didn't speak much. The legislators also toured Elizabeth High School before departing to the next district on the tour.

#### **8.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made to approve Consent Agenda items 8.1-8.5. Motion Moved by Director Frumveller Motion Seconded by Director Karcher

ROLL CALL: Director Paul Benkendorf - aye Director Kim Frumveller - aye



Director Carol Hinds - aye Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 4-0

## 8.1 New Hires

Michele Paradise, Lunch/Recess Para, RCE Scarlett Brooks, Preschool Floater, RCE/Preschool Kathy Elkin, Speech Language Pathology Assistant, District Wide Erica Martinez, Special Ed Paraprofessional, EHS Julea Carothers, Special Ed Paraprofessional, SHE Kaylee Rhoades, Special Ed Paraprofessional, RCE

## 8.2 Transfers/Changes

Crystal Conner, Teacher, RCE
Vicki Cirbo, Teacher, RCE
Tracey Devney, Teacher, RCE
Jaclyn Haugen, Teacher, EHS
Lori McCoin, Teacher, EHS
Erica Stewart, Teacher, SHE
Ron Patera, Director of Finance, Business Office
Tina Waymire, Accounts Payable, Business Office
8.3 Employment Separations
Michele Paradise, Lunch/Recess Para, RCE

## 8.4 Extra Duty Assignments

Cheryl Martin, Opporuntiy/ Aspire Team Lead, Opportunity Program Cheryl Martin, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Julea Carothers, Assistant Volleyball Coach, EHS Kyle Summers, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Faith Roberts, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Trudi Little, SPED Team Lead, EMS Tracey Devney, SPED Team Lead, RCE Sara Bong, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Sarah Mosher, Hard to Fill Position, EHS Jaclyn Haugn, Teaching Extra Class, EHS Tracy McVicker, Additional Grant Track/Report Duties, Business Office Adam Payton, Teaching Extra Class, EHS John Loutzenshiser, Teaching Extra Class, EHS Lori Horton, Teaching Extra Class, EHS Beth Schneider, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Beth Schnieder, SLP Team Lead, District Wide Cherie Wyatt, Teaching Extra Class, EHS Catherine Hllywa, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Amanda Hamlet, Mental Health Team Lead, District Wide Amanda Hamlet, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Jessica Sandord, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Lauren Doughtery, Hard to Fill Position, District Wide Lissa Hoza, SPED Team Lead, SHE Lori Clark, District COVID Responsibilities, District Wide



## 8.5 Substitutes

Shonell Burch, Substitute Paraprofessional

## 9.0 ACTION ITEMS

9.1 A motion was made for the 1st Reading of Revised Policy JEB – Entrance Age Requirements. Motion Moved by Director Benkendorf Motion Seconded by Director Frumveller

## **ROLL CALL:**

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye Director Kim Frumveller - aye Director Carol Hinds - aye Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 4-0

9.2 A motion was made to approve the Resolution Addressing Remote Learning During the 2021-2022 School Year. Motion Moved by Director Karcher Motion Seconded by Director Benkendorf

### **ROLL CALL:**

Director Paul Benkendorf - aye Director Kim Frumveller - aye Director Carol Hinds - aye Director Cary Karcher - aye

The motion carried 4-0

#### **10.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS**

No Discussion Items

## 11.0 BOE PLANNING

The next special Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 4, 2021 at 6 p.m. The next regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 11, 2021 at 6 p.m.

## **12.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No Executive Session

## 13.0 ADJOURNMENT

The regular board meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,	
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Carol Hinds, President	
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Paul Benkendorf, Secretary	
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Kim Frumveller, Treasurer	

Recorded by: Kristen Harris

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