The Dale County Board of Education met in Regular Session Tuesday, March 10, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the Dale County Government Building. Dale Sutton, Board President, presided over the meeting with members Jerald Cook, Shannon Deloney, Priscilla McKnight, Phillip Parker, Attorney James Tarbox, and Superintendent Ben Baker present.

1 The meeting was called to order by President Dale Sutton.

2 Invocation
   Allie Etheridge, Ariton student, opened the meeting with prayer.

3 Pledge of Allegiance
   Addie Etheridge, Ariton student, led the pledge of allegiance.

4 Approval of Agenda
   Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

5 Approval of Minutes
   a. Regular Board Meeting – February 11, 2020
   b. Special Board Meeting – February 20, 2020
   c. Special Board Meeting – February 28, 2020
   Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.

6 Visitors
   There were several visitors present, but none on the agenda.

7 Approval of Bills and Accounts
   Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

8 Financial Statement
   The Superintendent presented the most recent financial statement to the Board with all bank accounts reconciled through January.
   No action required.

9 Personnel 2019-2020
   The Superintendent recommended the following personnel pending certification and background requirements by the State Department of Education

Personnel 2019-2020
Certified
   Catastrophic Leave
      Ben Watson, Music Teacher, Ariton/Long, extended until March 30, 2020
   Retire
      Jill Ezell, Reading Coach, Ariton, effective June 1, 2020
      Kandice Bladen, Counselor, DCHS, effective July 1, 2020
      Rickey Herring, Counselor, LHS, effective July 1, 2020
      Kim Sizemore, Teacher, LES, effective June 1, 2020
Employ
Jeffrey Weaver, fill-in for Mckensi Grantham’s maternity leave, approximately March 30 through May 4, 2020

Contract Renewal
Matt Humphrey, Principal, DCHS, 3 year renewal

Support
Employ
Subs
Christopher Traylor        Erynne Rosselle
Motion – Priscilla McKnight, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.

10 Field Trips
The Superintendent recommended the following out of state field trips be approved:
  a. Ariton 1st Grade, Pirate Cruise, Panama City Beach, Florida, April 1, 2020
  b. Ariton 3rd Grade, Gulf World, Panama City Beach, Florida, April 29, 2020
    Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.

11 Financial
a. Accountability Notification
   The Superintendent informed the board of a $3,700/00 donation made to the DCHS Soccer Team.
   No action required.

b. Grass Bids
   New bids were received for Ariton School and MCES, due to campus additions and were awarded as follows:
   Ariton School – Herring Lawncare
   MCES – Quality Land and Lawn
   All other campus bids were extended from the previous year.
   DCHS – Parker Lawncare
   LES/LHS – Long Lawncare
   NES – Barefield Lawncare
   SDMS – Parker Lawncare
   Armory – Barefield Lawncare
   Bus Barn/Maintenance – Griggs Lawncare
   Motion – Shannon Deloney, Second – Jerald Cook, carried. Priscilla McKnight and Phillip Parker abstained.

c. E-Rate Bid
   Bids were received on or before march 6, 2020 for Network Equipment and Network Services. Only one bid was received.
   Synergetics       Equipment - $37,950.00/Services - $36,205.00
   Motion – Jerald Cook, Second – Phillip Parker, carried.

12 2020-2021 School Calendar
The Superintendent recommended the 2020-2021 school calendar be approved as presented.
   Motion – Priscilla McKnight, Second – Jerald Cook, carried.
13 Executive Session
   The Superintendent recommended the Board enter into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Board Attorney Tarbox certified this was a viable reason for an executive session.
   Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.
   Board President Sutton entertained a motion to return to regular session with no action being taken in executive session.
   Motion – Phillip Parker, Second – Shannon Deloney, carried.

14 Other

15 Adjourn
   With no other business, President Sutton adjourned the meeting.

[Signatures]

President

Secretary