

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 8, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Webster County Board of Education held its regular meeting on February 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Linda Rogers, Mrs. Mary Hinman, Mr. Donald Brown, Mr. Jimmie Johnson, and Mrs. Janie S. Downer, Superintendent/Principal were present. Mr. Tim Matthews was absent.

Mrs. Linda Rogers called the meeting to order.

Mr. Jimmie Johnson gave the invocation.

Mrs. Linda Rogers recognized visitors.

The tentative agenda was approved by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The December 2020 financial report was approved by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The January 11, 2021 regular meeting minutes were approved with the correction of removing the first line of paragraph electing the Board's Vice Chairperson by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board appointed Mrs. Linda Rogers to serve as delegate for the GSBA Summer Conference 2021 by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved 3-1, with Mrs. Mary Hinman, Mr. Jimmie Johnson, and Mr. Donald Brown voting for the motion; Mrs. Linda Rogers abstained.

The Board appointed Mrs. Mary Hinman to serve as alternate for the GSBA Summer Conference 2021 by a motion made by Mr. Jimmie Johnson, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved 3-1, with Mrs. Linda Rogers, Mr. Jimmie Johnson, and Mr. Donald Brown voting for the motion; Mrs. Mary Hinman abstained.

The Board approved Speech Path, LLC for speech therapy and occupational therapy services by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to assign the listed coaches for the track team (See Memo Dated February 8, 2021) by a motion made by Mr. Jimmie Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the upgrade of the sound system (input 12 mixers) in the amount of \$7,620.00 (SRSA Funds) by a motion made by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously. Approved already--switching the funding from CARES Act to SRSA.

The Board approved the technology equipment re-wiring of the computer lab with MTC in the amount of \$7,625.00 (CARES Act Funds) by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously. Approved already--switching the funding from SRSA to CARES Act.

The Board approved the 2021-2022 School Calendar by a motion made by Mr. Jimmie Johnson, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Ms. Destiny Protho as a substitute teacher by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously. (Pending Completion of Background Check)

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to rehire Dr. Dorothy Ingram as Administrator (12-Month/High School) for 2021-2022 by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to rehire Mrs. Ann Swain as Curriculum/Federal Programs Director (10-Month/Extended Day) for 2021-2022 by a motion made by Mr. Jimmie Johnson, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to rehire Mrs. Paige Ellis as Special Education Director (10-Month/Extended Day) for 2021-2022 by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to rehire Mr. James McCullough as Athletic Director /Academic Teacher for 2021-2022 by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to rehire Mrs. Rutchie Pollock as Counselor (11-Month) for 2021-2022 by a motion made by Mr. Jimmie Johnson, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to rehire Mrs. Marjorie Moore as Media Specialist (11-Month) for 2021-2022 by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the personnel recommendation of the Superintendent to give all employees a 3% bonus for the current 2020-2021 school year by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Downer presented the Superintendent's Report—commented that due to COVID-19, basketball season has ended—with optimism, practice has begun for baseball and track; report cards were sent home February 3rd, reviewing multi-subject workbooks for summer academic enhancement—all students will be given appropriate material based on academic needs. In the coming months, Cares Act 1 and Cares Act 2 spending recommendations will be made to Board members—all faculty members will be involved in determining what purchasing recommendations will be made to the BOE. Mrs. Downer commented that she is making arrangements with Mr. Bill Sampson to schedule the Whole Board Training based on the date that the Board members agree on. The transitioning of the remote learners, who changed to in-person learning, has been smooth. The area graduation rates for 2020 have been posted for the public, per handouts. The balance owed on the school building should be paid in full by 8/1/2022. Mrs. Downer commented that she presented the Board members with a copy of the

Purchasing Policy DJE. She also commented that the support of the Board members is very appreciative along with the faculty and staff great team work.

Ms. Ellis presented the Special Education Report—commented on completing Excess Cost Report. There are QBE funds available (in the process of choosing the best ways to spend the funds for the benefit of the students). Some of the plans consist of a life skills room, playground equipment that is handicapped accessible, and technology in the classroom.

Mrs. Swain presented the Title I Report—commented on receiving more CARES Act funds and considering a state of the art technology lab with smart tables, chrome books for students to keep in classroom, air purifiers, and media center carpet.

Dr. Ingram presented the CTAE Report—commented that CTAE/HIGH SCHOOL FY'22 Monitoring and Risk Assessment is October 27<sup>th</sup>, attended first virtual meeting to prepare for the monitoring on January 26<sup>th</sup>. additional meetings will be scheduled to prepare for the monitoring by GADOE, CTAE Winter Conference will be virtual February 10-12, and GADOE has asked for a presentation during the Administrative Session about the wonderful things going on in CTAE at Webster County. February is CTAE Month—recognizing a CTAE student of the week, CTAE fact during morning announcements, FBLA service project will be a coat drive for “gently used” jackets and coats—donated items will be given to students in need and Family Connections to distribute to the community members in need. Virtual College Presentation/Scholarship opportunity via zoom with Lincoln Tech is February 9, 2021 at 1:20 p.m. for 11 & 12 grades. Proclamation—declaring CTAE Month February 1-28, 2021 in Webster County (Board of Commissioners), Career Day—February 25<sup>th</sup> focus is Nontraditional Careers—Female—Law enforcement (GBI) and crime scene investigator, Male—flight attendant, Female—Aviation students SGTC & former NASA employee working on her Ph.D. at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, FL while earning her Air Frame & Powerplant federal license at SGTC, and to end with a motivational speaker in the lunchroom (virtual students will be able to view the program via Google Classroom). College Day is March 8<sup>th</sup>—Virtual Spring PROBE—registration begins February 15, 2021, 45 minute blocks 5:00, 6:00, and 7:00 (parents and students invited to attend virtually and the students will register at school in lab). There are 19 FBLA members to attend the State Conference on March 23<sup>rd</sup> (virtual). DUAL Enrollment—March is registration for Dual Enrollment Summer and Fall 2021, additional 2 students have been added Spring semester (14 total this semester), students are doing well in classes, most students have lab time at school to work on college classes, and three students tested with SGTC February 3, 2021-Articulation Credit for Comp 1000.

The meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was carried unanimously.

Time Adjourned: 6:42 p.m.  
Prepared By: Regina T. Dotts  
Approved: 3/8/2021