

Bessemer City Schools

Work Session
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Bessemer Board of Education
1621 5th Avenue N
Bessemer, AL 35020

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Mrs. Remeka Thompson, Board President, Presiding
(Immediately Following Called Board Meeting)

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROUTINE ITEMS

- A. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum
- C. Review of Agenda
- D. Review of Minutes
 - 1. June 10, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
 - 2. June 14, 2021 Called Board Meeting
 - 3. June 30, 2021 Called Board Meeting
 - 4. July 1, 2021 Called Board Meeting
 - 5. July 7, 2021 Called Board Meeting
- E. Financial Report - Mrs. Patricia Stewart
 - 1. Bank Reconciliations
 - 2. Bank Statements

III. COMMUNITY INPUT (3 minutes each)

IV. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Mr. Tim Johnson - Bessemer Recreation Center
- B. Mrs. Jennifer Gonsoulin New/Revised Public Relations Proposal: How it Benefits the School System and the Families of Bessemer City Schools ESSER III Funds
- C. Dr. McKendrick's Executive Coaching Plan & Academic Equity Audit Proposal. ESSER II & III Funds
- D. Helping Families Quarterly Report - Ms. Kim Curry (Thursday)

V. LEGAL ITEMS

- A. Attorney's Report - Attorney Frederic Bolling

VI. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Maintenance Report - Mr. Reginald Mitchell, Director of Facilities and Maintenance
 - 1. Magic Touch Annual Evaluation
- B. Technology Report - Mr. Gary Richardson
 - 1. Technology Tickets
 - 2. Device Status Update
 - 3. Radio Station Update
 - 4. Intercom RFP
- C. Mr. Timothy Randolph - Bus Wifi Update
- D. Mrs. Linda Richardson - Director of Attendance, Safety, and Security
 - 1. Attendance Callout System
- E. End of the Year Survey Results
- F. District Furniture Update - Dr. Autumm Jeter
- G. Principal Board Retreat - September Date Options (21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 2021)
- H. Board Committee Reports
- I. McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison Job Description Update
- J. Quarterly Data Update - Dr. Jameka Thomas, Director of Curriculum and Instruction (Thursday)
 - 1. Textbook Adoption
 - 2. Registration

VII. NEW BUSINESS - SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. Approval of Personnel Action Report
- B. Approval to contract with Dr. Paul McKendrick to provide Executive Coaching to all Principals and

Superintendent on a monthly basis August 2021-May 2022. Monthly cost \$4,400 + \$450 planning fee. Total Cost: \$43,650.00. Source of Funds: ESSER II & III

- C. Approval to contract with Mrs. Jennifer Gonsoulin (Total Communications) to continue providing public relations, branding, and various parent/employee communications for Bessemer City Schools. Cost: \$33,000. Source of Funds: ESSER III.
- D. Approval of request from Federal Programs for published author and college professor, Dr. Johanna Massey to provide consultant services for teachers and teacher candidates seeking passing scores on the state required Praxis Examination. Dr. Massey, currently a professor at Alabama A&M, will meet with a cohort of 10 teachers on July 26 from 4pm-6pm for Initial Consultation. She will assess teachers level of proficiency and determine areas of need regarding the Praxis exam. Two follow-up meetings will be held on July 27 and 28 for small group and individual support. Cost: \$3,500.00, Source of Funds: Title I
- E. Approval of request from Westhills to accept the following from STRADA Professional LLC in conjunction with Lawson State Community College, Alabama Society of Civil Engineers, and Sidney H. May, Professional Engineer, LLC: 1. STRADA: Teachers (2) \$30 per hour (\$1200-[\$600per instructor] for 4 days 25 hours) 2. Fun Day/Expo 3. Materials and kits: Robots, STEM kits, and art supplies 4. Snacks for the camp 5. T-shirts for kids, teachers, staff/volunteers (150 t-shirts) 6. Certificates, trophies, and medals, Funding Source: STRADA Professional LLC
- F. Approval of request from Westhills to Partner with GPS Educational Services, LLC to host one parent and academic engagement session. Sample Program Goals: Increase consistent family engagement with the school. Increase attendance, and many other topics. Total Cost: \$1,700.00, Source of Funds: Parent Involvement/Title I

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

IX. SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- A. Whole Board Finance Retreat - Wednesday, July 14, 2021, 9:00 a.m., Embassy Suites, Hoover, AL
- B. Regular Board Meeting: Thursday, July 15, 2021, 6:00 p.m., at the Central Office and Live Streamed on BCS Tigers YouTube Channel
- C. Work Session: Thursday, August 12, 2021, 5:30 p.m., at the Central Office, and Live Streamed on BCS Tigers YouTube Channel

X. ADJOURNMENT

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