



Special Called Meeting  
07/11/2024 5:15 PM  
Gadsden City Board of Education  
Central Office

## MEETING MINUTES

Approved 8/06/2024

### Attendees

#### Voting Members:

Ms. Adrienne Reed, Board Member – District 1  
Mrs. Rita Smith, Board Member – District 2  
Rev. Z. Andre' Huff, Board Member – District 3  
Mr. Mike Haney, Board Member – District 4  
Mrs. Nancy Stewart, Board Member – District 6  
Hon. Allen Millican, Board Chairman – District 7

#### Absentees:

Mr. Mark Dayton, Board Member – District 5

#### Non-Voting Members:

Mr. Keith Blackwell, Superintendent  
Mr. Ed Howard, Board Attorney  
Mrs. Cory Skelton, Chief School Financial Officer  
Mrs. Kelly Swafford, Superintendent Administrative Assistant

### A. Opening Exercise

#### 1. General Welcome; Opening Prayer; Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Allen Millican called the special meeting to order. The meeting opened with prayer and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### B. Recognition of Visitors/Guests

Chairman Allen Millican welcomed President of the Gadsden City Council, Mr. Kent Back, Principals, and all visitors and guests to the meeting.

### C. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was presented to the board for approval.

Motion made by: Mr. Mike Haney

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Nancy Stewart

Voting:

Mrs. Adrienne Reed - Yes

Mrs. Rita Smith - Yes

Rev. Z. Andre' Huff - Yes

Mr. Mike Haney – Yes

Mrs. Nancy Stewart - Yes  
Hon. Allen Millican - Yes

## D. Action Agenda

### 1. Personnel Recommendations:

Superintendent Keith Blackwell recommended the board approve the following personnel recommendations:

#### RESIGNATION

<u>Resignation:</u>			<u>Effective Date:</u>
Megan Pentecost	w/f	Gadsden Middle School English Language Arts Instructor	07/10/2024
April Fleming	w/f	Gadsden Middle School 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science Teacher	07/10/2024
Jill Wardlow	w/f	Floyd Elementary School Custodian	07/10/2024
Angelia Couch Chandler	w/f	Mitchell Elementary School CNP Manager	07/10/2024
Lawrence Pearson	b/m	Gadsden Middle School Custodian	07/11/2024

#### DECLINED POSITION

<u>Declined Position:</u>			<u>Effective Date:</u>
Brandi LaBenne	w/f	Thompson Elementary School Classroom Teacher <b>2425.078</b>	07/03/2024
Carla Jenkins	w/f	Special Education Teacher, Secondary Systemwide Floyd Elementary School 2425.010	07/11/2024

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

<u>Leave of Absence:</u>			<u>Effective Date:</u>
Jacob Palmer	w/m	Gadsden Middle School Classroom Teacher	Aug. 1, 2024- 24-25 School Yr

#### (PART A) REEMPLOYMENT

<u>Reemployment:</u>			<u>Effective Date:</u>
(A-1) Dasha Moore	b/f	Adams Elementary School Classroom Teacher <b>2425.091</b> pending Aug. 02 graduation	08/01/2024
(A-2) Greyson Daugherty	w/m	Gadsden City High School Title I Intervention Teacher <b>2425.082</b>	08/01/2024 one year only
(A-3) Amanda Lewis	w/f	Gadsden City High School Physical Education w/Coaching <b>2425.089</b>	08/01/2024
(A-4) Jasmine Turner	b/f	Thompson Elementary School Secretary/Bookkeeper <b>2425.094</b>	07/22/2024
(A-5) Charlotte Byers	b/f	Thompson Elementary School Custodian <b>2425.092</b>	07/22/2024

(A-6) Michella Cylar	b/f	Systemwide Instructional Aide Special Education Homeschool: Adams Elementary <b>2425.063</b>	08/01/2024
(A-7) La'Toya Williams	b/f	Systemwide Instructional Aide Special Education Homeschool: Adams Elementary <b>2425.064</b>	08/01/2024

#### (PART B) TRANSFERS

<u>Transfers:</u>		<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Effective Date:</u>
(B-1) Ali Mario Sullivan	b/m	Litchfield Middle School Assistant Principal	Adams Elementary School Principal <b>2425.076</b>	07/15/2024
(B-2) Michelle Brooks	w/f	Adams Elementary School Site Coordinator 21 <sup>st</sup> Century	Systemwide Special Education Teacher – Even Start <b>2425.093</b>	08/01/2024
(B-3) Jennifer White	o/f	Adams Elementary School Elementary Classroom Teacher	Floyd Elementary School Elementary Classroom Teacher <b>2425.088</b>	08/01/2024

#### (PART C) NEW PERSONNEL

(C-1) Amanda Martinez	w/f	Eura Brown Elementary School Principal <b>2425.085</b> Class AA, Instructional Leader, Grade Level P-12 Class A, Instructional Leader, Grade Level P-12 Class A, Elementary Education, Grade Level K-6 Class B, Elementary Education, Grade Level K-6 Excellent References Interviewed by Mr. Blackwell, Dr. Asbury, Mrs. Maness	07/15/2024
(C-2) Christina Ford	w/f	Gadsden Middle School Secondary Science Teacher <b>2425.098</b> Masters in Science in Education Major: Elementary Educ. Class B, Secondary, General Science, Grade Level 6-12 Excellent References Interviewed by Mr. Goodwin, Dr. Asbury	08/01/2024
(C-3) Dwayne Hawkins	b/m	Gadsden Middle School Secondary Science Teacher <b>2425.097</b> B.S Business Administration: Marketing Emergency Certificate Excellent References Interviewed by Mr. Goodwin, Dr. Asbury	08/01/2024
(C-4) Meredith Snow	w/f	Systemwide Classroom Teacher Special Educ. Secondary Location: Gadsden Middle School <b>2425.096</b> Masters in Art Education: Special Education Class A, Collaborative Special Education Teacher Grade Level 6-12 Excellent References Interviewed by Mr. Goodwin, Mrs. Maness, Dr. Asbury	08/01/2024
(C-5) Lindsey Dukes	w/f	Floyd Elementary School OSR Pre-K Classroom Teacher <b>2425.038</b> Class B, Early Childhood, Grades P-3 Major: Early Childhood Education Minor: Educational Technology Excellent References Interviewed by Mrs. Helms	08/01/2024 <i>one year only</i>

#### TEAMS CONTRACTS

Christina Ford	w/f	Gadsden Middle School Preliminary TEAMS Science Teacher	07/01/2024 (1 Year)
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**COMMUNITY EDUCATION/21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY  
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS  
2024-2025**

**Elementary Site Coordinators/21<sup>st</sup> Century**

**Posting 2425.045**

Michelle Brooks w/f  
Brandi Newton w/f  
Denise Shelvin b/f  
Eriica Mallard b/f

**Elementary School Teachers/21<sup>st</sup> Century**

**Posting 2425.046**

Kimberly Mummert w/f  
Kayla Willis w/f  
Orsola Turner b/f  
Mary Humphries w/f  
Diana Hilton  
Gena Barnes w/f  
LaVonda Thomas b/f  
Nicole Tudor w/f

**Elementary School Assistants/21<sup>st</sup> Century**

**Posting 2425.047**

Gloria McDaniels b/f  
Micah Swain b/f  
Debra Bishop w/f  
Amber Buchanan w/f

**Middle School Site Coordinators/21<sup>st</sup> Century**

**Posting 2425.045**

Kevin Peterson (GMS) w/m

**Middle School Assistants Posting 2425.047**

Cilia Wise b/f  
Aysha Parker b/f

**One High School Site Coordinator**

**Posting 2425.045**

Christina Caldwell w/f

**Five School Enrichment Leaders/Teachers**

**Posting 2425.048**

Tymetric Dillion b/m  
LaShundra Brewster b/f

**High School Teachers Posting 2425.046**

Angela Jones h/f  
Joresa Bothwell b/f  
Aaron Bailey w/m

**One Program Director Posting 2425.049**

Janie Browning w/f

**SUBSTITUTES**

**Substitute Teachers – Reapplying 2024-2025:**

James Paschal – Non-Certified – b/m

Motion to approve by: Rev. Z. Andre' Huff

Motion seconded by: Ms. Adrienne Reed

Voting:

Mrs. Adrienne Reed - Yes

Mrs. Rita Smith - Yes

Rev. Z. Andre' Huff - Yes

Mr. Mike Haney – Yes

Mrs. Nancy Stewart - Yes

Hon. Allen Millican - Yes

**E. Informational Items**

Superintendent Blackwell welcomes new principals. Mr. Sullivan and Mrs. Martinez introduce guests and family members to the board members, visitors, and guests, and expressed their appreciation for everyone's support. Each board members stated their excitement for all the newly approved employees and the upcoming school year.

**F. Adjourn**

Motion made by: Rev. Z. Andre' Huff

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Nancy Stewart

Voting:

Mr. Mike Haney - Yes

Rev. Z. Andre' Huff - Yes

Hon. Allen Millican - Yes  
Ms. Adrienne Reed – Yes  
Mrs. Rita Smith - Yes  
Mrs. Nancy Stewart – Yes

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Secretary/Superintendent

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Date