



James Carmichael, Chairperson
Dr. Cheraton Love, Vice Chairperson
Kimberly Oliver
Dr. Dee Stokes
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Tele-BRIEFING MINUTES

THOMASVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
3:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 27, 2021

**Board Members
Digitally Present:**

James Carmichael, Board Chairperson
Dr. Cheraton Love, Board Vice Chairperson

Kimberly Oliver
Judy Younts

Board Attorney:

Bradley Hunt was in attendance

**Superintendent's
Staff in Attendance:**

Dr. Cate Gentry
Johnnie Musgrave
Dr. Chris Kennedy

Dr. Kelli Dalton
Jennifer Buck

Angela Moore-Little
Jennifer Tallant
Kevin Leake
Calvin Freeman

**Superintendent's
Guest Experts in
Attendance:**

**Information for
meeting
participation in
digital format**

Dr. Cate Gentry made certain the meeting was accessible via Zoom for participation. She reviewed the simple directions for participation using the platform for virtual meetings.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by James Carmichael, Board Chairperson.

Mr. Carmichael welcomed all the participants and stated that the meeting would be recorded and all votes would be taken via roll call.

**Additions/
Deletions to
Agenda**

The Briefing agenda was adopted as presented.

- Motion to accept agenda was made by Dr. Cheraton Love
- Second by Kimberly Oliver
- The agenda was adopted 4-0 without changes via roll call vote.

***Adoption of
Agenda:**

**Superintendent's
Report to the Board**

Dr. Gentry shared a few items with the board:

- Dr. Gentry led the Board in a review of the items on the Board Meeting Agenda which will be held virtually on February 2, 2021 at 6:30
- Dr. Gentry shared February 2021 Opportunities for Superintendent and Board Member 1:1 and/or 1:2 Conferencing
- Updates regarding COVID-19 were shared and discussed with the Board



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- Dr. Gentry discussed the selection of auditors for upcoming school years. She shared a contract of the Audit firm she is recommending for Board approval at the upcoming meeting.
- Dr. Gentry reviewed School Board Policy 3620 and made suggestions for updates. She will request the Board adopt the changes at the upcoming meeting.
- Dr. Gentry shared important celebrations that TCS will be observing during February:
 - Black History Month
 - CTE Month
 - Love the Bus Month
 - Bus Driver Appreciation Week (Feb. 15-19)

C&I Report to the Board

Dr. Chris Kennedy

Dr. Kennedy shared a PowerPoint update with the board which outline:

- Enrollment Updates
- Federal Programs Audit Official Results
- C&I Celebrations
- Bus Driver Appreciation Week is February 15-19

Dr. Kennedy fielded questions from the Board.

Finance Report to the Board

Dr. Chris Kennedy

Dr. Kennedy reviewed TCS Budget Status Report dated January 27, 2021.

Dr. Kennedy fielded questions from the Board.

Human Resources & Policy

Dr. Kelli Dalton

Dr. Dalton reviewed policies which had been tabled since the January meeting which the Board is requested to approve at the February meeting. Dr. Dalton stated that these policies had been posted for stakeholder feedback and no comments have been received as of this meeting time.



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Dr. Dalton also reviewed first read policies which the District Policy Team had reviewed and will be requesting the Board to approve tabling these policies for feedback until the March 2021 meeting.

Dr. Dalton answered questions from board members regarding policy.

Digital Teaching & Learning / Accountability

Jennifer Buck

Jennifer Buck shared a PowerPoint update with the Board outlining:

- o Updates regarding Chromebooks and Hotspots
- o THS EOC Testing Participation Data
- o THS EOC Preliminary Proficiency Data
- o Three-year comparison data for THS first semester EOCs
- o Quarterly Progress for grade/course failures with historical data for comparison

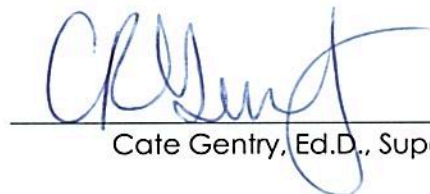
Mrs. Buck fielded questions from the Board.

* Closed Session

- Judy Younts motioned to enter Closed Session.
- Kimberly Oliver offered a second
- 4-0: The Board entered Closed Session.

Without returning to open session the Board adjourned at 4:56 p.m.


James Carmichael, Board Chairman


Cate Gentry, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools