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Tele-BRIEFING MINUTES

THOMASVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
3:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 27, 2020
Huneycutt Administrative Building Board Room

Board Members Digitally Present:	James Carmichael Dr. Dee Stokes	Dr. Cheraton Love Kimberly Skeen Judy Younts
Board Attorney:	Bradley Hunt also attended via Zoom.	
Media in Attendance	No one representing the media was present.	
Superintendent's Staff in Attendance:	Dr. Cate Gentry Johnnie Musgrave Dr. Chris Kennedy	Dr. Kelli Dalton Scott Powell Jennifer Buck
Information for meeting participation in digital format	Dr. Cate Gentry made certain the meeting was accessible and each member had signed into the Zoom cite for participation. She reviewed the simple directions for participation using the platform for virtual meeting participation.	
Call to Order:	The meeting was called to order by Mr. Carmichael.	
Additions/ Deletions to Agenda	The Briefing agenda was adopted as presented. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Motion to accept agenda was made by Dr. Cheraton Love• Second by Kimberly Skeen• The agenda was adopted unanimously without changes.	
*Adoption of Agenda:		
Communications & Informational Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Gentry welcomed Dr. Chris Kennedy to Thomasville and reminded the board that Dr. Kennedy would officially join Thomasville City Schools on July 1, 2020.• Dr. Gentry discussed that TCS would begin summer working hours on July 15. Summer hours will be the same as in the past; district and school offices will be open Monday-Thursday from 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.• Dr. Gentry announced that after July 3 offices will participate in a hybrid schedule which will allow employees two days in the office and two days working remotely.	



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- The next board meeting, scheduled for June 24, 2020, will be held remotely. Additional discussion during the August 2020 board meeting will determine when and how the board will return to holding meeting in the district office's boardroom.
- Dr. Gentry asked the Board to review an edit to the 2020-2021 student/academic caused by COVID-19 legislative requirements. She answered questions and stated that the new calendar has 215 days for teachers, 87 days in first semester and 100 days in second semester. Dr. Gentry will be requesting the board approve the new calendar during the June 2nd board meeting.
- A 2020-2021 Board of Education meeting schedule was presented to the board for their review. Dr. Gentry will ask for approval of the schedule during the June 2nd board meeting.

Curriculum & Instruction

~Dr. Cate Gentry

- Dr. Gentry re-presented final MOUs dealing with TCS students attending other LEAs:
 - Davidson Early College
 - Yadkin Valley Academy
 - Stoner Thomas School
 - The Developmental Center

Dr. Gentry and Mr. Hunt again reviewed changes to the documents and the reasons for the changes. Dr. Gentry will be requesting approval at the upcoming board meeting.

- Career and Technical Education department submitted their annual Application Executive Summary and sign-off page to the board for review and approval. Dr. Gentry answered questions regarding the summary and plans for the CTE department moving forward. A request for Board approval of the Application Summary and sign off on the appropriate paperwork will be made on June 2, 2020.

Financial/ Budget Items:

- Mr. Powell reviewed budget updates and amendments and will ask for Board approval during the next meeting.



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~ Scott Powell

- Mr. Powell also shared specifics of the CARES federal funding outlining items for which the funds may be used and deadlines for the obligating these funds.
- Mr. Powell answered questions regarding the budget and will be asking the board to approve amendments and spending plans at the upcoming meeting.

Human Resources & BOE Policy Updates

~ Dr. Kelli Dalton

Information regarding personnel issues will be discussed during closed session.

- Dr. Dalton and Mr. Powell led a discussion regarding hiring vs. contracting with local staffing agency, Bradley Staffing, to fill two custodial positions at Thomasville High School. They shared the financial and legal pros and cons for using an outside agency and answered questions from the Board. The board will be asked to approve the usage of Bradley Staffing Agency for two custodial positions at the June 2 board meeting.

Review of upcoming Board Meeting Agenda

~ Dr. Cate Gentry

Dr. Gentry reviewed the June 2, 2020 Board Meeting Agenda.

Dr. Dalton shared a policy received from NCSBA for immediate approval. Policy number 2302 outlines board responsibility for holding remote board meetings. During the meeting, Dr. Dalton will ask the board to waive their usual waiting time for board policy consideration and approve policy 2302.

*Closed Session:

A motion was made by Kimberly Skeen and seconded by Dr. Dee Stokes for the Board to move into closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a) (6) and/or so that personnel matters may be considered by the Board. The motion carried 5-0 and the Board went into closed session.



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***Return to Open Session:**

Motion to return to open session by Judy, seconded by Kimberly and approved 5-0.

Upon a motion by Dr. Stokes, seconded by Mrs. Younts and approved 5-0, the Board of Education approved the personnel report reviewed in closed session that included the recommendation of nonrenewal of the employment contracts of A. Saunders and B. Eudy at the conclusion of the 2019-2020 school year.

Meeting was unanimously adjourned at 5:10pm.

James Carmichael
Board Chairman

Catherine R. Gentry, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools