

Communiqué

A summary of the January 9, 2017, 5:00 p.m. Douglas County Board of Education special called meeting follows. Meeting agendas for each board meeting are posted online. For an agenda from the January 9 special called board meeting, please click [here](#). To see supporting documents, click on agenda items.

Superintendent Search Process

Trudy Sowar with the Georgia School Boards Association presented information regarding the superintendent search process.

AdvancED Accreditation Visit

Pam Nail presented information on the accreditation visit which will take place January 22-25, 2017.

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Election of Officers

Tracy Rookard was elected Board Chair. Michelle Simmons was elected Vice Chair.

Superintendent's Spotlight

The Superintendent's Spotlight was postponed due to weather.

New Business

- Board approved the adoption of the Board Code of Ethics as required by Georgia law.
- Board approved 2017 meeting dates for the Board of Education.
- Board approved the Georgia School Boards Association to conduct the superintendent search. The cost is \$7,000 to \$8,500 plus expenses.

Consent Agenda

- Board approved minutes from the December 5, 2016, executive session and regular board meeting.
- Board approved certified and classified personnel. Dr. Kevin Jefferson was named as the new assistant principal at New Manchester High School to replace Shawn Bissell.

Discussion Agenda

Operations

Recommendation was made to approve at the February 6, 2017, meeting the following purchases:

- Dish machine for Douglas County High School
- Hardware and installation of data center cooling equipment

Information Only

- Overnight and out of state field trips were presented for review.
- JBC(1)-R(2) Regulation: Homeless Students was changed to conform to Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

Present were Board Members Tracy Rookard, District III, Chair; Michelle Simmons, District IV, Vice Chair; Devetrion Caldwell, District I; D.T. Jackson, District II; and Jeff Morris, District V. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Gordon Pritz; Chief Academic Officer Pam Nail; Assistant Superintendent of District Operations Dr. Tim Scott; Chief Financial Officer Greg Denney; Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Policy Dr. Michelle Ruble; Assistant Superintendent of Student Services E. Renee Davis; Director of Community Relations Karen Stroud; Community Relations Specialist Nell Boggs; and Secretary to the Superintendent Melanie Nicholson.

Upcoming meetings of the Douglas County Board of Education

January 25, 2017, 1:30 p.m. Special Called Board Meeting AdvancED Accreditation Report

February 6, 2017, 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

March 6, 2017, 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting