

2-DAY BOARD RETREAT  
OF THE  
DEKALB COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
July 28-29, 2022

The DeKalb County Board of Education held a 2-day board retreat on Thursday, July 28, 2022 and Friday, July 29, 2022, at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta Perimeter at Villa Christina, 4000 Summit Blvd., Atlanta, Georgia, 30319.

Mrs. Vickie Turner, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:08pm, and noted the following were in attendance: Mrs. Vickie B. Turner, Chair, Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Vice Chair, Mrs. Anna Hill, Mr. Marshall D. Orson, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Mrs. Allyson Gevertz, and Interim Superintendent, Dr. Vasanne Tinsley. Dr. Joyce Morley joined the meeting at 2:34pm.

Also in attendance were Dr. Yolanda Williamson, Executive Director of Board Operations and General Counsel Attorney, Mr. Clem Doyle.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Mrs. Turner called for a motion to adopt the July 28-29, 2022, 2-day board retreat agenda.

Mrs. Turner noted there were no objections, the July 28-29, 2022, 2-day board retreat agenda was adopted.

**WELCOME, PURPOSE and INTRODUCTIONS**

By: Mrs. Vickie B. Turner, Board Chair

**DISCUSSION ITEM(S) – Day 1, July 28, 2022**

Facilitated by: Ms. Melanie Slaton, Esq. of Hall Booth Smith, P.C.

**a. Team Governance**

- i. Leadership
- ii. ORR (Open Records Request)
- iii. Executive Session

**b. Strategic Plan**

**c. Board Level**

- i. Policies
- ii. Meeting Agenda

**d. Community Relations and Social Media**

**RECESS THE BOARD RETREAT**

Mrs. Turner called for a motion to recess the board retreat.

Mrs. Turner noted there were no objections, the 2-day board retreat recessed at 5:30pm.

**RECONVENE THE BOARD RETREAT**

Mrs. Vickie Turner, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:30am, and noted the following were in attendance: Mrs. Vickie B. Turner, Chair, Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Vice Chair, Mrs. Anna Hill, Mr. Marshall D. Orson, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Mrs. Allyson Gevertz, and Interim Superintendent, Dr. Vasanne Tinsley. Dr. Joyce Morley joined the meeting at 9:05am.

Mrs. Turner called for a motion to reconvene the 2-day board retreat.

Mrs. Turner noted there were no objections, the 2-day board retreat reconvened.

**DISCUSSION ITEM(S) - Day 2, July 29, 2022**

**a. Professionalism and Collegiality**

Presented by: Ms. Melanie Slaton, Esq. of Hall Booth Smith, P.C.

**b. ESPLOST VI Presentation**

Presented by: Dr. Vasanne S. Tinsley, Interim Superintendent

**c. Financial Management Training (SB 68)**

Presented by: Ms. Sara McLeod, Deputy Director of Financial Audits for the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts

**d. Superintendent Search Discussion**

Presented by: Mrs. Vickie B. Turner, Board Chair

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Mrs. Turner called for a motion to adjourn the 2-day board retreat.

Mrs. Turner noted there were no objections, the 2-day board retreat adjourned at 5:08pm.