Executive Session, Work Session, Community Input Session & Business Meeting
06/15/2026 - 11:30 AM
J. David Williamson Board Room, Robert R. Freeman Administrative Complex
1701 Mountain Industrial Boulevard
Stone Mountain, GA 30083

MEETING MINUTES

Vision
To prepare students for success as lifelong learners and responsible global citizens

Mission
To promote the academic, social and emotional growth of each student by fostering a safe, supportive and engaging learning environment

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REVISED 6.15.2026

Attendance

Voting Members
Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair
Mr. Awet Eyasu, Vice Chair
Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Board Member
Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Board Member
Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Board Member
Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Board Member
Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., Board Member

Non-Voting Members
Dr. Norman Sauce, Interim Superintendent
Carolyn Lloyd, Executive Director BOE
Winston Denmark, School Board Attorney

A. CALL TO ORDER

The DeKalb County Board of Education held its Executive Session, Work Session, Community Input Session and Business Meeting on Monday, June 15, 2026, in the J. David Williamson Board Room, at the DeKalb County School District's Robert R. Freeman Administrative Instructional Complex, located at 1701 Mountain Industrial Boulevard, Stone Mountain, Georgia, 30083.

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, convened the meeting at 11:35 am.

1. Roster

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, noted the following were in attendance: Vice Chair, Mr. Awet Eyasu, Mr. Andrew B. Ziffer, Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Immediate Past Chair, Mrs. Deirdre P. Pierce, Tiffany Hogan, Ph.D., Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., and Interim Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Norman C. Sauce III.

Also in attendance were the School Board Attorney, Mr. Winston A. Denmark and Executive Director of Board Operations, Ms. Carolyn Lloyd.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, led the pledge of allegiance.

B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested to adopt the June 15, 2026, agenda with the following items moved to the consent agenda.

F.2a. Approval of Minutes

F.3.a.i. Service Agreements ~ Independent Contractor Agreements (ICA) ~ Various Services ~ Metro LED, B&W Mechanical Contractors, Inc. (Not to Exceed $178,000)

F.3.a.iii. Contract Renewal ~ ITB 24-446 ~ Darling Ingredients, Inc. ~ Grease Trap and Septic Tank Pumping Services (Not to Exceed $1,000,000)

F.3.a.iv. Contract Renewal ~ Contract #222886 ~ OMNIA Cooperative/CINTAS Corporation ~ Uniform Rental ~ Renewal # 3 of 3 (Not to Exceed $750,000)

F.3.a.v. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) RFP#220901~ General Contractor Services ~ Digital Scoreboard, LLC ~ Gymnasium Audio Equipment with Installation, Related Equipment, Materials, Supplies, and Supplement Services (Not to Exceed $1,200,000)

F.3.a.vi. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ OMNIA Partners #R2416 ~ Job Order Contracting Services (JOC) ~ Brown & Root Industrial Services ~ General Contractor (GC) Services ~ Fernbank Science Center Building Interior and Campus Renovation Project (Not to Exceed $475,000)

F.3.a.viii. Contract ~ Award and Contract Spend Limit Increase ~ Sole Source ~ General Service Administration (GSA) Contract No. 47QTCA21D0098 ~ Rauland-Borg Corporation with Southwestern Communications, Inc. (SWC) as a Sole Source Distributor ~ Parts, Installation and Repair of Equipment, Instrumentation and Controls (Not to Collectively Exceed $5,750,000)

F.3.c.i. Contract Award ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ Georgia Statewide Contract ~ Peach State Truck Centers (#99999-SPD0000236-0003) ~ Acquisition of Thomas Built School Buses (Not to Exceed $3,140,000)

F.4.a. ESPLOST V Project ~ Final Payment ~ Mobile Modular Company ~ #32235, #36135, #36535 for Redan Middle School, Fairington Elementary School, and Salem Middle School (Not to Exceed $597,948.46)

F.6.a. Renewal of Cognia (Formerly AdvanceED) Membership Approval (Not to Exceed $171,600)

F.8.a.i. Approval to Surplus School Nutrition Equipment

F.8.b. Renewal (4 of 4) for RFP 22-12 Banking and Non-Banking Monetary Services

F.8.c. Approval of the FY28 DeKalb County School District Budget Calendar

F.11.a. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Acceleration Academies and the DeKalb County School District (Not to Exceed $3,000,000)

F.11.b. Purchase of Instructional Materials and Resources (Not to Exceed $9,900,000)

F.11.c. RFQ 26-724 K-12 Science Instructional Resources Adoption and Purchase (Not to Exceed $15,000,000)

F.12.a. Renewal: ReThinkEd., Inc. (Not to Exceed $99,654)

F.12..b. Renewal: College AIM, Inc. (Not to Exceed $240,000)

F.13.a. Instructional Resources (Not to Exceed $1,400,000)

F.13.b. Georgia State University Technical Service Agreement Amendment and Ratification (Year 4 of 5)

F.13.c. Translations and Interpretation Services (Not to Exceed $1,500,000)

F.15.a. Level Data Observation and Coaching Platform (Not to Exceed $289,680)

F.17.a.i. Renewal of the District's Excess Cyber Risk Insurance Policy (Not to Exceed $143,884)

F.17.a.ii. Renewal of the District's Property and Cyber Liability Insurance Policy (Not to Exceed $2,922,009.28)

F.17.a.iii. Renewal of the District's Excess Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance Policy (Not to Exceed $487,835)

G1. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BBE: School Board Attorney

G.2. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: IFBG: Internet Acceptable Use

G.3. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: New Board Policy: IFBI: Artificial Intelligence

G.4. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: New Board Policy: IB: Instructional Program Goals and Objectives

G.5. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: DFK: Gifts and Bequests

G.6. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: KEB: Solicitations

G.7. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: CN: Administrative Records

G.8. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: JBCC: Student Assignment

G.9. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BA: Goals and Objectives

With no objections, the June 15, 2026, agenda was approved.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

C. RECOGNITIONS ~ No Recognitions This Month

1. Introduction of Student Board Representative ~ No Student Board Representative This Month

2. Recognitions / Proclamations ~ No Recognitions This Month

3. Group/External Presentation(s) ~ No Group Presentation This Month

D. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE and INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT

1. Committee of the Whole Presentation

No presentation this month.

2. Interim Superintendent of Schools Report

a. Update on Impact and Evaluation of Adult Education Program ` updated 6.15.2026

Presented by: Dr. Damienne Denham Shabazz, Senior Coordinator of Family and Community Engagement, Division of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships.

b. Student Assignment Project Update ~ Updated 6.15.2026

Presented by: Triscilla Weaver, Ph.D., Chief of Access & Opportunity, Division of Access & Opportunity.

c. Presentation on Acceleration Academies ~ Added 6.15.2026

Presented by: Dr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, and
Dr. Rose Prejean-Harris, Assistant Superintendent, Teaching and Learning, Division of Teaching & Learning.

E. ADJOURN TO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:34 pm., Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, called for a motion to adjourn the June 15, 2026, board meeting to an executive session for the purpose of discussing permitted matters regarding land, legal, litigation, personnel and student appeals.

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

1. ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:00 pm, Ms. Gevertz, Board Chair, called for a motion to adjourn the June 15, 2026, executive session to convene the work session.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

F. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE June 15, 2026 BUSINESS MEETING

1. BOARD OF EDUCATION ~ No Agenda Item This Month

12.01.
No agenda item this month.

2. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

12.02.

a. Approval of Minutes ~ Updated 6.12.2026

12.02.a.
Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the minutes of the following meetings: May 11, 2026, board meeting, which includes the executive session, work session, community input session and business meeting, May 15, 2026, called meeting and executive session, May 28, 2026, audit committee meeting, May 28, 2026, virtual policy committee meeting, June 1, 2026, called meeting for the 1st budget presentation and 1st millage rate hearing, June 11, 2026, called meeting for the 2nd millage rate hearing,

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

3. OPERATIONS

12.03.

a. Facilities Management

12.03.a.

i. Service Agreements ~ Independent Contractor Agreements (ICA) ~ Various Services ~ Metro LED, B&W Mechanical Contractors, Inc. (Not to Exceed $178,000)

12.03.a.i.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the following **Independent Contractor Agreement (ICAs**) that exceed $50,000 with a total contract value amount not-to-exceed **$178,000:**

- **Metro LED ($80,000)**

B&W Mechanical Contractors, Inc. – ($98,000)

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

ii. Contract Renewal ~ RFP 24-552 ~ Gym Floor Maintenance, Repair and Replacement Services Contract ~ Floor Care Specialists dba Gameday Floors and Superior Court Systems by Floor Action ~ Renewal #2 of 4 (Not to Exceed $2,000,000)

12.03.a.ii.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County School District Board of Education ("the Board") approve **contract renewal two of four (#2 of 4) for RFP 24-552 Gym Floor Maintenance, Repair and Replacement Services** in the amount **not to exceed $2,000,000:**

- **Floor Care Specialists dba Gameday Floors**
- **Superior Court Systems by Floor Action**

Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.
Action Item vote results are listed below:

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
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> No: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> Yes: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
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> Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> Yes: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

iii. Contract Renewal ~ ITB 24-446 ~ Darling Ingredients, Inc. ~ Grease Trap and Septic Tank Pumping Services (Not to Exceed $1,000,000)

12.03.a.iii.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the first of four (#1 of 4) contract renewals for ITB 24-446 to **Darling Ingredients, Inc**. for **Grease Trap and Septic Tank Pumping Services not to exceed $1,000,000.**

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

iv. Contract Renewal ~ Contract #222886 ~ OMNIA Cooperative/CINTAS Corporation ~ Uniform Rental ~ Renewal # 3 of 3 (Not to Exceed $750,000)

12.03.a.iv.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the use of the **CINTAS Uniform Agreement** through **the Omnia Cooperative Agreement Contract No. 222886** for the rental of uniforms for Maintenance, Fleet, and AIC custodial staff for an additional one (1) year term effective **August 15, 2026, through August 14, 2027**, in the not to exceed amount of **$750,000.**

This is the third and final **(#3 of 3),** one (1) year renewal option for Contract No. #222886.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

v. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) RFP#220901~ General Contractor Services ~ Digital Scoreboard, LLC ~ Gymnasium Audio Equipment with Installation, Related Equipment, Materials, Supplies, and Supplement Services (Not to Exceed $1,200,000)

12.03.a.v.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board) approve DeKalb County School District ("DCSD") use of the **Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) RFP #220901** Cooperative Agreement between **DeKalb County School District ("DCSD") and Digital Scoreboard, LLC** as provider of audio equipment with installation, related equipment, materials, supplies and services districtwide for a not to exceed amount of **$1,200,000.**

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

vi. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ OMNIA Partners #R2416 ~ Job Order Contracting Services (JOC) ~ Brown & Root Industrial Services ~ General Contractor (GC) Services ~ Fernbank Science Center Building Interior and Campus Renovation Project (Not to Exceed $475,000)

12.03.a.vi.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board) approve use of the **OMNIA Partners Cooperative Agreement- Contract #R24-16** – Job Order Contracting (JOC) Services between DeKalb County School District ("DCSD") and **Brown and Root Industrial Services, LLC** for General Contractor Services for the Fernbank Science Center building interior and campus renovation in a not to exceed amount of **$475,000**.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

vii. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ Renewal ~ OMNIA Partners Contract #152610 ~ Comprehensive Operational and Janitorial Supplies and Solutions ~ Renewal #2 of 4 (Not to Exceed $6,500,000)

12.03.a.vii.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County School Board of Education ("the Board") approve the contract renewal of the **OMNIA Partners Cooperative contract# 152610** solicited under the Region 14 RFP 24-S824 for **Comprehensive Operational and Janitorial Supplies and Solutions**, with a combined not-to-exceed amount of **$6,500,000**:

- **Brady Plus - $ 1,500,000**
- **Southeastern Paper Group — $5,000,000**

This is contract renewal two of four (#2 of 4).

Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.
Action item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Ms. Allyson Gevertz

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
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> No: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> Yes: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
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> No: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> No: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

viii. Contract ~ Award and Contract Spend Limit Increase ~ Sole Source ~ General Service Administration (GSA) Contract No. 47QTCA21D0098 ~ Rauland-Borg Corporation with Southwestern Communications, Inc. (SWC) as a Sole Source Distributor ~ Parts, Installation and Repair of Equipment, Instrumentation and Controls (Not to Collectively Exceed $5,750,000)

12.03.a.viii.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the following:

- The use of the General Services Administration (GSA) Contract No. **47QTCA21D0098** with **Southwestern Communications, Inc**. for the continued purchase, installation, maintenance, and repair of **Rauland-Borg Corporation** communication systems district-wide for a one (1) year term effective **September 15, 2026, through September 14, 2027**, not to exceed amount of **$3,750,000.**

- An **increase in the spend limit of** General Services Administration (GSA) Contract No. **47QTCA21D0098** with **Southwestern Communications, Inc**., **for the current renewal period (#4), expiring September 14, 2026, in the not- to- exceed amount of $2,000,000.**

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

ix. Extension of Memorandum of Understanding Agreement with Trust for Public Land (TPL) until March 31, 2027 ~ Added 6.12.2026

12.03.a.ix.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the extension of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Trust for Public Land (TPL) and the DeKalb County School District to enhance schoolyards at Columbia Elementary School, Woodward Elementary School, Stoneview Elementary School, and E. L. Miller Elementary School until March 31, 2027.

Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.
Action item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
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> Yes: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Abstain: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> Yes: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
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> Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> No: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

b. Business Services ~ No Agenda Item This Month

12.03.b
No agenda item this month.

c. Fleet and Transportation Services

12.03.c.

i. Contract Award ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ Georgia Statewide Contract ~ Peach State Truck Centers (#99999-SPD0000236-0003) ~ Acquisition of Thomas Built School Buses (Not to Exceed $3,140,000)

12.03.c.i.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the use of the Cooperative Agreement — **Georgia Statewide Contract - 99999-001-SPD0000236-0003 — Peach State Truck Centers** for the purchase of twenty (20)- 2027 **/ Thomas Built -** Saf-T-Liner C2 (72

passenger) school buses from **Peach State Truck Centers in an amount not to exceed $3,140,000.**

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

ii. Contract Award ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ Georgia Statewide Contract ~ Wade Ford (#99999-SPD-SPD0000218-0001) ~ Administrative Vehicles with Related Options, Equipment, and Accessories ~ Acquisition of Support Vehicles (Not to Exceed $539,975)

12.03.c.ii.
Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the use of the Cooperative Agreement — **Georgia Statewide Contract - #99999-001-SPD0000218-0001 – Wade Ford** for the purchase of five (5) 2026 Bronco Sport 4DR 4X4 and ten (10) 2026 Explorer Active 4X2 vehicles from **Wade Ford in an amount not to exceed $539,975.**

Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.
Action item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

Motion seconded by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
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> Yes: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> Yes: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
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> Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> No: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

4. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

12.04.

a. ESPLOST V Project ~ Final Payment ~ Mobile Modular Company ~ #32235, #36135, #36535 for Redan Middle School, Fairington Elementary School, and Salem Middle School (Not to Exceed $597,948.46)

12.04.a.
Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board")approve the following:

- The final payment to **Mobile Modular Company** for Redan Elementary School (32235), Fairington Elementary School (#36135) and Salem Middle School (36535) HVAC and Renovation Projects.
- E-SPLOST V **Budget Reallocation** in an amount **not to exceed $597,948.46**

from **Program Contingency** to the Local Capital Project Fund allowing proper funds to be allocated to the necessary project cost code for the Mobile Modular Company final payment.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

b. Contract ~ RFQu 24-752-023 ~ Professional Geotechnical, Environmental and Construction Material Testing Services ~ Matrix Engineering Group Inc. (Matrix) ~ Cross Keys HS Site ~ Material Testing and Special Inspection Services (Not to Exceed $491,738)

12.04.b.
Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the contract for Construction Materials Testing and Special Inspection Testing for the Capital Improvement Project **#214-35 – Cross Keys High Modernization and Addition** site to **Matrix Engineering Group Inc.** in the amount **not-to-exceed amount of $491,738.**

Ms. Whitney McGinniss made a motion to table this item.
Second by Mr. Awet Eyasu, and with a vote of 1/4/2, abstentions by Mr. Awet Eyasu and Mr. Andrew Ziffer, the motion to table this item failed.

Ms. Whitney McGinniss objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.
Action item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
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> Yes: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
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> Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> Yes: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

c. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ OMNIA Partners Contract #R2416 ~ F. H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC ~ Removal of Modular Classroom Trailers (Not to Exceed $500,000)

12.04.c.
Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve use of the **OMNIA Partners Contract #R2416 – Job Order Contracting (JOC) Services** Cooperative Agreement contract between the **DeKalb County School District ("DCSD") and F. H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC** for removal of modular classroom buildings, for an amount **not to exceed $500,000.**

Ms. Whitney McGinniss made a motion to table this item.
Second by Mr. Awet Eyasu, and with a vote of 1/4/2, abstentions by Mr. Awet Eyasu and Mr. Andrew Ziffer, the motion to table this item failed.

Ms. Whitney McGinniss objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.
Action item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
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> Yes: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
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> Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> Yes: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

d. Contract ~ Change Order No. 1 ~ Winter Construction ~ General Contractor (GC) Services ~ CIP Project 21836 (Not to Exceed $1,300,000) and Amendment No. 2 ~ BRPH ~ AE Services ~ Dresden Elementary School Parking Lot (Not to Exceed $62,250) Not to Collectively Exceed $1,362,250

12.04.d.
Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve:

- Change Order No. 1 to Winter Construction for General Contractor Services, **Not to exceed $1,300,000**.
- Amendment No. 2 to BRPH for Architectural & Engineering Services, **Not to exceed $62,250.**
- **Total not to exceed $1,362,250.**

Ms. Whitney McGinniss made a motion to table this item.
Second by Mr. Awet Eyasu, and with a vote of 1/4/2, abstentions by Mr. Awet Eyasu and Mr. Andrew Ziffer, the motion to table this item failed.

Ms. Whitney McGinniss objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.
Action item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Motion seconded by: Ms. Allyson Gevertz

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
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> No: Mr. Awet Eyasu

Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer

No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

No: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

No: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

e. Contract Amendment ~ CDH Partners ~ Professional Architectural and Engineering (AE) Services ~ RFQu 21-752-003 ~ Capital Improvement Project (CIP) #35535 for Stoneview Elementary School Renovation ~ Amendment No. 4 (Not to Exceed $2,071,146.72) ~ REVISED 6.9.2026

12.04.e.

Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve **Amendment No. 5** to **CDH Partners** for the **Capital Improvement Project #35535** for **Stoneview Elementary School Renovation** project in a Not -to-Exceed amount of **$2,071,146.72.**

Ms. Whitney McGinniss made a motion to table this item.
Second by Mr. Awet Eyasu, and with a vote of 1/4/2, abstentions by Mr. Awet Eyasu and Mr. Andrew Ziffer, the motion to table this item failed.

Ms. Whitney McGinniss objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.
Action item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

Voting results:

No: Ms. Allyson Gevertz

Yes: Mr. Awet Eyasu

Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer

No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

Yes: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

f. E-SPLOST Joint Resolution and Intergovernmental Agreement to Continue E-SPLOST

12.04.f.

Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve a joint resolution with the City of Decatur Schools and Atlanta Public Schools calling for a November 3, 2026, referendum to authorize the re-imposition of the E-SPLOST for an additional five years beginning on July 1, 2027.

Ms. Whitney McGinniss objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.

Action item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

> ***Voting results:***
> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
> Yes: Mr. Awet Eyasu
> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
> No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
> No: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
> Yes: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

5. INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY ~ No Agenda Items This Month

12.05.
No Agenda Item This Month

6. CHIEF OF STAFF

12.06.

a. Renewal of Cognia (Formerly AdvanceED) Membership Approval (Not to Exceed $171,600)

12.06.a.
Mrs. Pamela McCloud, Director of Organizational Excellence, Chief of Staff Division, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the payment of accreditation membership to COGNIA for all DeKalb schools for the 2026–2027 school year, in an amount not to exceed $171,600.
It is requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the payment of accreditation membership to COGNIA for all DeKalb schools for the 2026–2027 school year, in an amount not to exceed $171,600.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

7. PUBLIC SAFETY ~ Updated 6.15.2026

12.07.
No agenda items this month.

8. FINANCE

12.08.

a. School Nutrition Services

12.08.a.

i. Approval to Surplus School Nutrition Equipment

12.08.a.i.
Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the list of School Nutrition equipment for surplus in accordance with Board Policy DO: School Properties Disposal Procedures.
It is requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the list of School Nutrition equipment for surplus in accordance with Board Policy DO: School Properties Disposal Procedures.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

ii. Contract Renewal ~ (1 of 2 Renewal) ~ School Nutrition Temporary Staffing to ESS Temporary Staffing Services through TIPS RFP 230703 (Not to Exceed $1,500,000 for SY 26-27)

12.08.a.ii.
Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the contract renewal of **ESS Temporary Staffing Services through TIPS RFP 230703, not to exceed the amount of $1,500,000 for SY 26-27.** This request renews the contract award for an additional one (1) year term effective **July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.**

With no objection, this item was moved to the consent agenda.

b. Renewal (4 of 4) for RFP 22-12 Banking and Non-Banking Monetary Services

12.08.b.
Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of **RFP 22-12** to **Bank of America (BOA)** to provide banking and non-banking monetary services for the District for a period of one year effective from **July 1, 2026** through **June 30, 2027**. This is the fourth renewal option of four.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

c. Approval of the FY28 DeKalb County School District Budget Calendar

12.08.c.
Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the FY2028 DeKalb County School District Budget Calendar.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

d. Adoption of the DeKalb County School District Budget for 2026-2027 (FY27) and Resolution

for Tax Levy

12.08.d.

Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education adopt the DeKalb County School District FY2027 budget for all funds and approve the resolution establishing the 2026 millage rate at 22.78 mills.

Mr. Awet Eyasu made a motion to reduce the millage rate.
Second by Ms. Whitney McGinniss.
With a vote of 3/2/2, abstentions by Mr. Andrew Ziffer and Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr. the motion to reduce the millage rate failed,

Ms. Whitney McGinniss objected to this item. It was removed from the consent agenda and will be voted on as an action item.
Action Item results listed below.

Motion by Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair.
Second by Mr. Andrew Ziffer, and a vote of 3/4, the action item failed.

Mr. Andrew Ziffer made a motion to reconsider the reduction of the millage rate.
Second by Ms. Whitney McGinniss, with a vote of 4/0/3, abstentions by Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., Tiffany Hogan, Ph.D. and Mr. Awet Eyasu, the motion to reconsider the reduction in the millage rate hearing passed.

Mr. Awet Eyasu made a motion to reduce the millage rate to 22.68 and to reduce the spending by 4.5 million.
With no second, the motion died.

Ms. Whitney McGinniss made a motion to reduce the millage rate to 22.68 and to reduce the spending by $4.5 million out of General Administration.
Second by Mr. Awet Eyasu, with a vote of 2/5, opposition by Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., Tiffany Hogan, Ph.D., Mrs. Deirdre P. Pierce and Mr. Andrew B. Ziffer. Motion failed.

Mrs. Pierce made a motion to vote on the original proposal and to vote on the original recommendation.
Second by Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.
Action Item vote results are listed below.

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Motion seconded by: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

> ***Voting results:***
>
> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
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> No: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
>
> No: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> Yes: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

e. Acceptance of the April 2026 Monthly Financial Report

12.08.e.

Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance,requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the April 2026 Monthly Financial Report.

With no objection, this item was moved to the consent agenda.

f. Renewal of Annual Subscription for Tyler Technologies (Not to Exceed $1,153,598)

12.08.f.

Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, recommended that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of the annual subscription for the district's Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) application and related professional services and development with Tyler Technologies in an amount not to exceed $1,153,598.00. This is a one-year agreement.

Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr., objected to this item. It was removed from the consent agenda and will be voted on as an action item.
Action Item results listed below.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Mr. Andrew Ziffer

> ***Voting results:***
>
> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
>
> Abstain: Mr. Awet Eyasu
>
> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> Yes: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
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> Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> No: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

9. HUMAN RESOURCES

12.09.

a. Approval of the Human Resources Monthly Report for June 2026

12.09.a.

Mrs. Tasha Davis-Mills, Chief Human Resources Officer, Division of Human Resources, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the June Human Resources Report.

With no objection, this item was moved to the consent agenda.

b. Approval of Recommended Employment Contracts for the 2026-2027 Academic Year

12.09.b.

Mrs. Tasha Davis-Mills, Chief Human Resources Officer, Division of Human Resources, requested that the Board of Education approve the personnel recommended for employment contracts for the 2026-2027 academic year as recommended in the annual report submitted to the Board of Education.

With no objection, this item was moved to the consent agenda.

10. SCHOOLS & LEADERSHIP - No Agenda Item This Month

12.10.
No Agenda Item This Month

11. TEACHING & LEARNING ~ Updated 6.12.2026

12.11.

a. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Acceleration Academies and the DeKalb County School District (Not to Exceed $3,000,000) ~ Updated 6.11.2026

12.11.a.
Mr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Acceleration Academies and the DeKalb County School District to serve up to 360 students in an amount not to exceed $3,000,000.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

b. Purchase of Instructional Materials and Resources (Not to Exceed $9,900,000)

12.11.b.
Mr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the purchase of previously adopted textbooks, supplemental resources, textbook management systems, and instructional materials, including print and digital resources, from 95 Core, Accelerate Learning, Amira Learning, BFW Publishers, Capstone, Carnegie Learning, Cengage, CodeHS, Edmentum, eDynamic, Evans & Sutherland, Find Your Grind, Follett, Hello World, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Imagine Learning, McGraw Hill, Pearson, Progress Learning, Reef Distribution, Savvas, Social Studies School Service, Studies Weekly, Textbook Warehouse, Transfr, and Vista Higher Learning in an amount not to exceed $9,900,000.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

c. RFQ 26-724 K-12 Science Instructional Resources Adoption and Purchase (Not to Exceed $15,000,000)

12.11.c.
Mr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the RFQ 26-724 K-12 Science Instructional Resources adoption and purchase of Gallopade International, Savvas Learning Company LLC,

McGraw Hill, Cengage Learning Inc, Pearson Education Inc, Bedford, Freeman and Worth, Oxford University Press, Lazel Inc, Vernier, and Discovery Education. These vendors represent the most responsive and responsible bidders to provide science instructional resources in print and/or digital formats for teachers and students for more than $100,000 per vendor but not to exceed a total contracted amount of $15,000,000.

K-8	
Grade/Specific Courses	Vendor & Resource
K-2 Science	Savvas Learning Company LLC *Georgia Elevate Science 2024*
3-5 Science	Gallopade International *Gallopade Science*
6-8 Science	Savvas Learning Company LLC *Experience Science for Middle Grades @ 2026*

Grades 9-12		
Course	Vendor	Resource
Astronomy	McGraw Hill LLC	Explorations: An Introduction to Astronomy @2020,9e, Arnry
Biology	Savvas Learning Company LLC	Miller & Levine Biology @ 2019
Botany	McGraw Hill LLC	Stern's Intro to Plant Biology
Chemistry	McGraw Hill LLC	Inspire Chemistry
Physics	Savvas Learning Company LLC	Experience Physics © 2022
Physical Science	McGraw Hill LLC	Inspire Physical Science
Environmental Science	Savvas Learning Company LLC	Environmental Science: Your World, Your Turn © 2021
Earth Systems	Savvas Learning Company LLC	Earth Science © 2017
Human Anatomy/Physiology	McGraw Hill LLC	Holes Essentials of Human Anatomy
Forensic Science	Cengage Learning, Inc	Forensic Science: Fundamentals and Investigations 3rd Edition
Meteorology	No contender submitted in RFQ-26-724	No contender submitted in RFQ-26-724

Microbiology	Pearson Education Inc	Microbiology: An Introduction 14e @ 2024
Oceanography	Cengage Learning, Inc	Oceanography: An Invitation to Marine Science © 10th Edition
AP Biology	Bedford, Freeman and Worth	Biology for the AP Course (2E)
AP Chemistry	Cengage Learning, Inc	K12 Chemistry AP @Edition, 11th Student Edition
AP Environmental Science	Cengage Learning, Inc	Exploring Environmental Science Enhanced AP Edition
AP Physics I	Bedford, Freeman and Worth	College Physics for the AP Physics 1 & 2
AP Physics II	Bedford, Freeman and Worth	College Physics for the AP Physics 1 & 2
AP Physics C	Pearson Education Inc	Physics for Scientists and Engineers: A Strategic Approach 5e With Modern Physics, 5e @2022 AP Edition
IB Biology	Oxford University Press	DP Biology Coursebook
IB Physics	Oxford University Press	DP Physics Coursebook
IB Chemistry	Oxford University Press	DP Chemistry Coursebook
Recommended Supplemental Resources		
	Lazel, Inc.	Science 4 Us (Gr K-2) Gizmos (Gr 4-12)
	Vernier	Vernier Connections (Gr 3-12)
	Discovery Education	Pivot Interactives (Gr 9-12)

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

12. WRAP AROUND SERVICES

12.12.

a. Renewal: ReThinkEd., Inc. (Not to Exceed $99,654)

12.12.a.
Kishia K. Towns, Ph.D., Chief of Wrap Around Services, Division of Wrap Around Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal to purchase **RethinkEd, Inc.** High School Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Curriculum for an amount not to exceed **$99,654.**

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

b. Renewal: College AIM, Inc. (Not to Exceed $240,000)

12.12.b.
Kishia K. Towns, Ph.D., Chief of Wrap Around Services, Division of Wrap Around Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the Letter of Agreement between **College AIM, INC.**, and the DeKalb County School District (DCSD), for an additional year for an amount not to exceed **$240,000**. The contract renewal is through July 31, 2027, and will be in accordance with the existing fee structure provided in the vendor's service agreement. This request supports Strategic Goal Area 1 Student Academic Success with Equity and Access.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

13. STUDENT SERVICES

12.13.

a. Instructional Resources (Not to Exceed $1,400,000)

12.13.a.
Mrs. Kiana King, Interim Chief of Student Services, Division of Student Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the purchase of supplemental instructional resources and materials, both printed and digital, for the English Learners Department in an amount not to exceed $1,400,000.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

b. Georgia State University Technical Service Agreement Amendment and Ratification (Year 4 of 5)

12.13.b.

Mrs. Kiana King, Interim of Student Services, Division of Student Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the amendment and ratification of the Georgia State University (GSU) School Based Mental Health Services Grant for year 4 of 5. DCSD is the fiscal agent of the grant and these funds are used to support the recruitment, training, tuition, student health insurance, graduate research assistantships, professional association memberships, conference fees, and other school-related costs for newly incoming school psychology graduate students, practicum students, and interns who will become school psychologists upon graduation and who will seek to work in the DeKalb County School District upon graduation. This cost represents year 4 of the 5-year School-Based Mental Health Services Grant that DeKalb County School District was awarded by the United States Department of Education, in conjunction with Georgia State University to alleviate the financial burden of graduate school for school psychology students from underrepresented groups and/or living in communities served by our school district. Through the grant funding, DCSD was able to hire 2 school psychologists at the end of the 24-25 SY and are on track to hire 4 GSU graduates at the end of the 25-26 SY. There is no financial impact to the general operating budget.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

c. Translations and Interpretation Services (Not to Exceed $1,500,000)

12.13.c.

Mrs. Kiana King, Interim Chief of Student Services, Division of Student Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the purchase of professional translation and interpretation services from the following vendors in excess of $100,000 with a combined total not to exceed $1,500,000 for the following seven vendors:

- ALTA Language Services
- LATN Language Solutions
- Piedmont Global Language Service
- Real Time Translation
- SeSo, Inc.
- Translation Station, Inc.
- Zab Translation Solutions

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

14. ACCESS & OPPORTUNITY

12.14.

a. Athletics

12.14.a.

i. Renewal for Contract RFQ 24-565 for Athletic Trainers for 19 Traditional High Schools Provided by Northside Hospital (Not to Exceed $1,900,000)

12.14.a.i.

Triscilla Weaver, Ph.D., Chief of Access & Opportunity, Division of Access & Opportunity, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the second of four, one-year renewals for **RFQ 24-565 Northside Athletic Trainers** provided by Northside Hospital, Inc. in the amount not to exceed **$1,900,000.**

With no objection, this item was moved to the consent agenda.

15. ACCOUNTABILITY & RESEARCH

12.15.

a. Level Data Observation and Coaching Platform (Not to Exceed $289,680)

12.15.a.
Dr. Candace Alexander, Chief of Accountability & Research, Division of Accountability & Research, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of Level Data for the district's observation, instructional coaching, teacher feedback, and professional development processes. The total amount requested for the renewal is not to exceed $289,680.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

16. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & INNOVATIVE PARTNERSHIPS ~ No Agenda Item This Month

12.16.
No agenda item this month.

a. DONATIONS / GRANTS ~ No Agenda Item This Month

12.16.a.
No Agenda Item This Month

17. LEGAL SERVICES

12.17.

a. RISK MANAGEMENT

12.17.a.

i. Renewal of the District's Excess Cyber Risk Insurance Policy (Not to Exceed $143,884)

12.17.a.i.
Mr. Glinton R. Darien, Jr., Director of Legal Affairs, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of the District's Excess Cyber Risk Insurance coverage with Liberty Surplus Insurance Corporation ("Liberty"), for $143,884. This cost is an early indication of the renewal quotation. Although not anticipated, the final quotation from Liberty may decrease.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

ii. Renewal of the District's Property and Cyber Liability Insurance Policy (Not to Exceed $2,922,009.28) ~ Updated 6.12.2026

12.17.a.ii.

Mr. Glinton R. Darien, Jr., Director of Legal Affairs, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of the District's Property and Cyber Liability Insurance coverage with Alliant Property Insurance Program ("Alliant"), for ~~$3,263,423.84.~~ $2,922,009.28. This cost is an early indication of the renewal quotation. Although not anticipated, the final quotation from Alliant may decrease.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

iii. Renewal of the District's Excess Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance Policy (Not to Exceed $487,835)

12.17.a.iii.

Mr. Glinton R. Darien, Jr., Director of Legal Affairs, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("Board") approve the renewal of the District's Excess Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance coverage with Safety National Casualty Corporation ("Safety National"), for $487,835. This cost is an early indication of the renewal quotation. The final quotation from Safety National may decrease.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

b. RFP 26-730 Bond Counsel Legal Services/Agreements with Law Firms (Not to Exceed $850,000)

12.17.b.

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("Board") approve the contract Award for RFP 26-730 for the following law firms, in a not-to-exceed amount of $850,000.

Holland & Knight LLC; and
Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP

Ms. Whitney McGinniss, objected to this item. It was removed from the consent agenda and will be voted on as an action item.
Action Item results listed below.

Motion made by: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
Motion seconded by: Mr. Andrew Ziffer

> ***Voting results:***
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> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz

> No: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
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> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
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> No: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
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> No: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

c. Dentons Lobbying Month to Month Services Retainer (Not to Exceed 12,000 a Month)

12.17.c.
Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("Board") approve the engagement of Dentons for professional services in the amount not to exceed $12,000 a month, starting on June 30, 2026, on a month-to-month basis, for strategic support and lobbying services.

Ms. Whitney McGinniss, objected to this item. It was removed from the consent agenda and will be voted on as an action item.
Action Item results listed below.

Motion made by: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
Motion seconded by: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

> ***Voting results:***
>
> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
>
> No: Mr. Awet Eyasu
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> Yes: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
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> No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
>
> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
>
> Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
>
> Abstain: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

G. AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS & POLICIES

1. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BBE: School Board Attorney

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the proposed revisions to Board Policy BBE: School Board Attorney lay on the table as a first read at the June 15, 2026, board meeting for stakeholder feedback until June 29, 2026, and be considered for adoption at a future board meeting.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

2. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: IFBG: Internet Acceptable Use

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the proposed revisions to Board Policy IFBG: Acceptable Use to lay on the table at the June 15, 2026, board meeting for stakeholder feedback until June 29, 2026, and be considered for adoption at a future board meeting.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

3. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: New Board Policy: IFBI: Artificial Intelligence

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the proposed revisions to Board Policy IFBI: Artificial Intelligence lay on the table as a first read at the June 15, 2026, board meeting for stakeholder feedback until June 29, 2026, and be considered for adoption at a future board meeting.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

4. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: New Board Policy: IB: Instructional Program Goals and Objectives

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the proposed Board Policy IB: Instructional Program Goals and Objectives lay on the table at the June 15, 2026, Board Meeting for stakeholder feedback until June 29, 2026, and be considered for adoption at a future Board Meeting.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

5. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: DFK: Gifts and Bequests ~ Updated 6.11.2026

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the proposed revisions to Board Policy DFK: Gifts and Bequests as a second read.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

6. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: KEB: Solicitations ~ Updated 6.11.2026

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the proposed revisions to Board Policy KEB: Solicitations as a second read.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

7. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: CN: Administrative Records ~ Updated 6.11.2026

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the proposed revisions to Board Policy CN: Administrative Records as a second read.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

8. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: JBCC: Student Assignment

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the proposed revisions to Board Policy JBCC: Student Assignment as a second read.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

9. SECOND READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BA: Goals and Objectives

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the proposed draft of Board Policy BA: Goals and Objectives as a second read.

This item was unanimously approved to go on the consent agenda at the top of the meeting.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Capital Improvement & Facilities Update

Provided by: Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations

I. CONVENE THE BUSINESS MEETING

With no objections, Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, convened the June 15, 2026, business meeting.

J. CONVENE THE COMMUNITY INPUT SESSION ~ 5:45pm ~ Updated 6.12.2026

At 5:45 pm, Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, convened the Community Input Session.

*Speakers

1. Andres Cardenas
2. Michael Kidd ~ No Show
3. Brittany Dinneen ~ No Show
3. Liat Oren
5. Tricia Aden ~ No Show
6. Esco Eats ~ Request Withdrawn
7. Calvin Holland ~ No Show

8. Barry Murphy
9. Daniel Sobczak
10. Sundra Burdette
11. Melanie Huaman-Ore
12. Laura Keen
13. Shavella Davis
14. Nancy Kelly
15. Jessica Howell-Edwards
16. Klean-Pro Representative

K. CONSENT AGENDA

With no objections, the consent agenda was approved.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

L. ACTION ITEM(S)

1. APPROVAL OF AN ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the hiring recommendation of Laura S. Neely, Ph.D. to the position of Area 1 Superintendent in the Office of the Superintendent, as discussed in the executive session.

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Motion seconded by: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

b. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the hiring recommendation of Neill O. Crosslin, Ed.D. to the position of Area 2 Superintendent in the Office of the Superintendent, as discussed in the executive session.

Relative Disclosure:

In accordance with BOE Policy, GAGD-Section G, Mandatory Disclosure by the Superintendent, Neill O. Crosslin, Ed.D is the candidate recommended for the Area 2 Superintendent position. He is the spouse of the Senior Coordinator of Counseling, in the Department of Student Advancement, and the child of a Gifted Teacher at Fairington Elementary School.

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Motion seconded by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

c. APPROVAL OF AN ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education uphold the Student Appeal Case #26-15, as discussed in executive session. It is requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education uphold the Student Appeal Case #26-15, as discussed in executive session.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
Motion seconded by: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

> ***Voting results:***
> Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz
> No: Mr. Awet Eyasu
> Abstain: Mr. Andrew Ziffer
> Yes: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
> Yes: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce
> Yes: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.
> Yes: Mr. Diijon DaCosta, Sr.

d. APPROVAL OF AN ITEM FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the settlement of the Charter School litigation, as discussed in executive session.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss
Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved

2. APPROVAL OF AN AGENDA ITEM(S) PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, called for individual motions to approve the Action Items which were NOT placed on the consent agenda.

Refer to the following agenda items for the Action Item vote results:

F.3.a.ii. Contract Renewal ~ RFP 24-552 ~ Gym Floor Maintenance, Repair and Replacement Services Contract ~ Floor Care Specialists dba Gameday Floors and Superior Court Systems by Floor Action ~ Renewal #2 of 4 (Not to Exceed $2,000,000)

F.3.a.vii. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ Renewal ~ OMNIA Partners Contract #152610 ~ Comprehensive Operational and Janitorial Supplies and Solutions ~ Renewal #2 of 4 (Not to Exceed $6,500,000)

F.3.a.ix. Extension of Memorandum of Understanding Agreement with Trust for Public Land (TPL) until March 31, 2027

F.3.c.ii. Contract Award ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ Georgia Statewide Contract ~ Wade Ford (#99999-SPD-SPD0000218-0001) ~ Administrative Vehicles with Related Options, Equipment, and Accessories ~ Acquisition of Support Vehicles (Not to Exceed $539,975)

F.4.b. Contract ~ RFQu 24-752-023 ~ Professional Geotechnical, Environmental and Construction Material Testing Services ~ Matrix Engineering Group Inc. (Matrix) ~ Cross Keys HS Site ~ Material

Testing and Special Inspection Services (Not to Exceed $491,738)

F.4.c. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ OMNIA Partners Contract #R2416 ~ F. H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC ~ Removal of Modular Classroom Trailers (Not to Exceed $500,000)

F.4.d. Contract ~ Change Order No. 1 ~ Winter Construction ~ General Contractor (GC) Services ~ CIP Project 21836 (Not to Exceed $1,300,000) and Amendment No. 2 ~ BRPH ~ AE Services ~ Dresden Elementary School Parking Lot (Not to Exceed $62,250) Not to Collectively Exceed $1,362,250

F.4.e. Contract Amendment ~ CDH Partners ~ Professional Architectural and Engineering (AE) Services ~ RFQu 21-752-003 ~ Capital Improvement Project (CIP) #35535 for Stoneview Elementary School Renovation ~ Amendment No. 4 (Not to Exceed $2,071,146.72)

F.4.f. E-SPLOST Joint Resolution and Intergovernmental Agreement to Continue E-SPLOST

F.8.d. Adoption of the DeKalb County School District Budget for 2026-2027 (FY27) and Resolution for Tax Levy

F.8.f. Renewal of Annual Subscription for Tyler Technologies (Not to Exceed $1,153,598)

F.17.b. RFP 26-730 Bond Counsel Legal Services/Agreements with Law Firms (Not to Exceed $850,000)

F.17.c. Dentons Lobbying Month to Month Services Retainer (Not to Exceed 12,000 a Month)

M. ADJOURN

With no objections, Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, adjourned the June 15, 2026, work session and business meeting at 9:35 pm.

> ***Voting results:*** Unanimously Approved