



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 7.13.2026

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. Dijon 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, July 13, 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 10:34 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. Dijon 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 July 13, 2026, agenda with the following items moved to the consent agenda.

F.2.a. Approval of Minutes

F.3.a.ii. Contract Award ~ RFP 26-727 ~ District Wide Evening Preventative HVAC Maintenance Services ~ ARS Mechanical LLC., MAXAIR Mechanical (MAXAIR, Inc.), Smith Mechanical Heating & Air, and Trane U.S. Inc. (Not to Exceed \$1,250,000)

F.3.a.iii. Contract Award ~ ITB 26-707 ~ District Wide Roofing Repairs and Emergency Services ~ CGS LLC; Core Roofing Systems; Lecta America Southeast, LLC; and Rycars Construction, LLC, (Not to Exceed \$3,000,000)

F.3.a.iv. Easement ~ DeKalb County Watershed ~ Doolittle Project ~ Permanent Sewer and Temporary Construction Easement ~ Sewer Lines ~ DeKalb High School Technology ~ South Site

F.3.a.vi. Service Agreements ~ Independent Contractor Agreements (ICA) ~ Various Services ~ Electronic Maintenance Associates (EMA), Custom Courts, Inc. dba CBA Sports, City Demolition and Abatement, and J.R. Hobbs Acquisitions Inc. dba J.R. Hobbs Co. (Not to Exceed \$360,000)

F.3.a.vii. Contract Renewal ~ Single Source Vendor ~ Control Concepts, Inc. ~ HVAC Instrumentation Installation and Controls (Not to Exceed \$300,000)

F.3.c.ii. Easement and Right of Entry ~ Georgia Power Company ~ Improvement of Electric Distribution Facilities at Former A & B Central Office Site

F.5.a. Approval of StepCG Network Migration, Connectivity Services, and Network Components

(Not to Exceed \$188,650)

F.7.a. Contract Renewal for Alliance Technology, LLC ~ Software, Services, Annual Maintenance & Shipping ~ Year 4 or 4 (Not to Exceed \$1,586,832.55)

F.8.a.i. Agreement DeKalb Parks and Recreation After School Snacks Program Agreement for SY26-27

F.9.b. DeKalb Teacher Residency University Partner to Kennesaw State University ~ Renewal (Not to Exceed \$529,850)

F.11.a. Memorandum of Understanding with Georgia Aquarium, Incorporated (Not to Exceed \$418,080)

F.11.b. Bid 25-519 Catalog Discount ~ Career, Technical, and Agricultural Materials, Equipment & Supplies Contract Award Approval (Not to Exceed \$2,000,000)

F.12.a. Renewal: EveryDay Labs Attendance Intervention (Not to Exceed \$144,188.15)

F.15.a. Renewal of Renaissance Products and Services (Not to Exceed \$760,000)

F.16.a.i. Private Donation of \$750,000 for Lakeside High School Lighting Project

F.16.a.ii. Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation Award Valued at \$40,338)

F.16.a.iii. 4-H Educator Impact Initiative (Value \$15,000)

F.16.a.iv. Chevron STEM Grant of \$10,000 to Hightower Elementary School

F.16.a.v. DART Foundation Award of \$50,000 to DeKalb High School of Technology South (DHSTS)

F.16.a.vi. Laurel Ridge Elementary School Playground Enhancements (Not to Exceed \$43,016)

F.17.a.i. RFP 22-490 Renewal of the District's Insurance Producer Services for Property and Casualty Insurance (Renewal year 5 of 5) (Not to Exceed \$150,000)

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

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

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

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

G.10. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BBC: Board Committees

G.11. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BC: Board Meetings

With no objections, the July 13, 2026, agenda was approved.

C. RECOGNITIONS

- 1. Introduction of Student Board Representative ~ No Student Board Representative This Month**
- 2. Recognitions / Proclamations ~ No Recognition 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 Agenda Item This Month**
- 2. Interim Superintendent of Schools Report**

a. E-SPLOST VI Overpayments Remedies, Impact and Options for Current and Planned E-SPLOST VI Projects ~ Updated 7.13.2026

Presented by: Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements, and Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance

b. Student Assignment Project Update ~ Updated 7.13.2026

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

c. Strategic Plan Update ~ SY26 Year End Results ~ Updated 7.13.2026

Presented by: Mrs. Pamela McCloud, Director of Organizational Excellence, Chief of Staff Division

d. Curriculum Adoption Process and New Social Studies Resources ~ Updated 7.13.2026

Presented by: Dr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, and Rose Prejean-Harris, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent 6-12, Division of Teaching & Learning

e. Central Office Assessment Conducted by Research Triangle Institute (RTI) ~ Updated 7.13.2026

Presented by: Mrs. Tasha Davis-Mills, Chief of Human Resources Officer, Division of Human Resources,
Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance,
Mr. Michael Martin, Director of Strategic Consulting, Center for Education, Communication, and Training for RTI International

E. ADJOURN TO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 2:25 pm., Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, called for a motion to adjourn the July 13, 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: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

| **Voting results:** Unanimously Approved

1. ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 4:41 pm, Ms. Gevertz, Board Chair, called for a motion to adjourn the July 13, 2026, executive session to convene the work session.

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

| **Voting results:** Unanimously Approved

F. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE July 13, 2026 BUSINESS MEETING

1. BOARD OF EDUCATION ~ No Agenda Item This Month

01.01.

No agenda item this month.

2. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

01.02.

a. Approval of Minutes

01.02.a.

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the minutes of the following meetings; June 15, 2026, 2nd budget presentation and 3rd millage rate hearing, June 15, 2026, board meeting, which includes the executive session, work session, community input session and business meeting, and the June 25, 2026, virtual policy committee meeting.

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

3. OPERATIONS

01.03.

a. Facilities Management

01.03.a.

i. Contract Award ~ RFP 26-714 ~ Synthetic Sports Flooring Services ~ Ram Enterprises, Inc., Salmon Enterprise, Inc. dba VetCor of Norcross, Fit Communities, Inc., dba Rubber Floors and More, Extraordinary Venture (Not to Exceed \$2,000,000)

01.03.a.i.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the contract award of **RFP 26-714 Synthetic Sports Flooring, Synthetic Sports Floor Services** in the **not to exceed** amount of \$2,000,000 to:

- **RAM Enterprises Inc.**
- **Salomon Enterprises, Inc., dba Vetcore of Norcross**
- **Fit Communities, Inc DBA Rubber Floors and More**
- **Extraordinary Venture**

Mr. Dijon 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. Andrew Ziffer

Motion seconded by: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

No: Mr. Awet Eyasu, Ms. Whitney McGinniss

ii. Contract Award ~ RFP 26-727 ~ District Wide Evening Preventative HVAC Maintenance Services ~ ARS Mechanical LLC., MAXAIR Mechanical (MAXAIR, Inc.), Smith Mechanical Heating & Air, and Trane U.S. Inc. (Not to Exceed \$1,250,000)

01.03.a.ii.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the award of the contract for **RFP 26-727 – District Wide Evening Preventative HVAC Maintenance Services** in the amount **not to exceed** \$1,250,000:

- **ARS Mechanical LLC**

- Maxair Mechanical (Maxair Inc.)
- Trane U.S. Inc.,
- Smith Mechanical Heating & Air

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

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

iii. Contract Award ~ ITB 26-707 ~ District Wide Roofing Repairs and Emergency Services ~ CGS LLC; Core Roofing Systems; Tecta America Southeast, LLC; and Rycars Construction, LLC, (Not to Exceed \$3,000,000) ~ Updated 7.9.2026

01.03.a.iii.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the award of the contract for **ITB 26-707 – District Wide Roofing Repairs and Emergency Services** in the amount **not to exceed \$3,000,000** to:

- CGS LLC; Core Roofing Systems
- Lecta America Southeast, LLC
- Rycars Construction, LLC

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

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

iv. Easement ~ DeKalb County Watershed ~ Doolittle Project ~ Permanent Sewer and Temporary Construction Easement ~ Sewer Lines ~ DeKalb High School Technology ~ South Site

01.03.a.iv.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve grant of permanent sewer and temporary construction easements to **DeKalb County Government, Department of Watershed Management ("DWM")** for the construction and maintenance of sewer lines at the **DeKalb High School Technology-South Site**.

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 ~ Sourcewell Cooperative Contract # 041123-CPL ~ Georgia Power Authorized Dealer ~ Cooper Lighting ~ Sport Lighting Upgrade Phase 2 (Not to Exceed \$823,652) ~ Updated 7.6.2026

01.03.a.v.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County School Board of Education ("the Board") approve the use of the cooperative agreement - **Sourcewell Cooperative Contract # 041123-CPL** between DeKalb County School District ("DCSD") and **Georgia Power Company (authorized dealer for Cooper Lighting)** for the **Sports Lighting Program Phase 2**, which shall be performed in accordance with the terms and conditions contained therein not to exceed **\$823,652**. The stadiums slated for upgraded stadium lighting are:

- **Napoleon B. Cobb (Formerly Avondale Stadium)**
- **North DeKalb Stadium**

Mrs. Pierce, 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: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Motion seconded by: Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

No: Mr. Awet Eyasu, Ms. Whitney McGinniss

vi. Service Agreements ~ Independent Contractor Agreements (ICA) ~ Various Services ~ Electronic Maintenance Associates (EMA), Custom Courts, Inc. dba CBA Sports, City Demolition and Abatement, and J.R. Hobbs Acquisitions Inc. dba J.R. Hobbs Co. (Not to Exceed \$360,000) ~ Updated 7.6.2026

01.03.a.vi.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the following **Independent Contractor Agreements (ICAs)** that exceed \$50,000 with a total contract value amount **not-to-exceed \$360,000**:

- Electronic Maintenance Associates (\$85,000)
- Custom Courts, Inc. dba CBA Sports (\$90,000)
- City Demolition and Abatement (\$90,000)
- J.R. Hobbs Acquisitions Inc. dba J.R. Hobbs Co. (\$95,000)

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

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

vii. Contract Renewal ~ Single Source Vendor ~ Control Concepts, Inc. ~ HVAC Instrumentation Installation and Controls (Not to Exceed \$300,000) ~ Updated 7.9.2026

01.03.a.vii.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education (“the Board”) approve **Controls Concepts, Inc.**, as a single source vendor for the installation of **HVAC Instrumentation and Controls** district wide in the amount not to exceed **\$300,000**.

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

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

b. Business Services

01.03.b.

i. Ratification ~ Payment ~ Georgia Power Company ~ EV Charging Infrastructure Installation Services ~ Sam A. Moss Service Center (Not to Exceed \$199,852) ~ Updated 7.9.2026

01.03.b.i.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education (“the Board”) ratify and approve payment to **Georgia Power Company** for completed EV charging infrastructure installation and commissioning services at the Sam A. Moss Service Center, **not to exceed \$199,852**.

After executive session, Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested a motion to remove this item from the agenda.

Motion made by: Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

Motion seconded by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

c. Fleet and Transportation Services

01.03.c.

i. Contract ~ Renewal and Ratification ~ RFP 25-472 ~ Charter Bus Services ~ Atlantic Transportation & Coaches LLC, Coast to Coast Tours, LLC, Cooper Global, Eagle Christian Tours, Friendship Tours, LLC, Georgia Coach Lines, Inc., MTI Bus Company, R & W Motorcoach, Samson Tours, Inc., and William Charters & Tours, LLC. ~ Updated 7.6.2026

01.03.c.i.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education (“the Board”) approve the contract renewal and ratification for **RFP 25-472** for the following Charter Bus Services:

- **Atlantic Transportation & Coaches LLC**
- **Coast to Coast Tours, LLC**

- Cooper Global Tours
- Friendship Tours, LLC Lines, Inc.
- MTI Bus Company Inc.
- R & W Motorcoach Samson Tours, Inc.
- William Charters & Tours, LLC
- Eagle Christian
- Georgia Coach
- Samson Tours,

The following ratification and renewal periods are subject to approval by the DeKalb County Board of Education:

- Atlantic Transportation & Coaches LLC: May 21, 2026– May 20, 2027
- Coast to Coast Tours, LLC: May 21, 2026– May 20, 2027
- Cooper Global: May 21, 2026 - May 20, 2027
- R&W Coach: May 21, 2026 - May 20, 2027
- Samson Tours, Inc.: May 21, 2026– May 20, 2027
- MTI Bus Company: May 21, 2026– May 20, 2027
- Eagle Christian Tours: May 9, 2026– May 8, 2027
- Friendship Tours, LLC: May 9, 2026– May 8, 2027
- Georgia Coach Lines, Inc.: June 24, 2026– June 23, 2027
- William Charters & Tours, LLC : May 6, 2026– May 5, 2027

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested a motion to remove this item from the agenda.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Awet Eyasu, Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

Abstain: Mr. Andrew Ziffer

ii. Easement and Right of Entry ~ Georgia Power Company ~ Improvement of Electric Distribution Facilities at Former A & B Central Office Site

01.03.c.ii.

Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education (“the Board”) approve a Right of Entry and grant of an Easement to the **Georgia Power Company** for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining underground and overhead equipment for distribution lines and upgrades to electric distribution facilities to improve electric service reliability at the former A & B Central Office Site as part of the **Capital Improvement Project 12330. EV Charging Station at North Decatur Site.**

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

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

4. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ~ Updated 7.7.2026

01.04.

a. Capital Project ~ Change Order Request and Budget Reallocation ~ Evergreen Construction - Capital Improvement Project #01530 for Early Learning Center ~ Change Order No. 3 ~ Final Payout (Not to Exceed \$140,683.08) ~ Updated 7.8.2026

01.04.a.

Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve:

- **Change Order No. 3 to Evergreen Construction** for the **Early Learning Center (#01530) HVAC & Controls Replacement Project** that will be funded by the budget reallocation.
- An E-SPLOST V budget reallocation in the amount not to exceed **\$140,683.08** from Program Contingency to the Local Capital Project Fund which will allow the proper funds to be allocated to the necessary project cost code for the **Evergreen Construction Change Order No. 3.**

This item was removed from the agenda at the top of the meeting.

5. INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY

01.05.

a. Approval of StepCG Network Migration, Connectivity Services, and Network Components (Not to Exceed \$188,650)

01.05.a.

Dr. Kermit Belcher, Chief Information Officer, Division of Information & Instructional Technology, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the purchase of network infrastructure migration services, connectivity enhancement services, and associated network components from **StepCG** in an amount **not to exceed \$188,650.**

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

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

6. CHIEF OF STAFF~ No Agenda Item This Month

01.06.

7. PUBLIC SAFETY

01.07.

a. Contract Renewal for Alliance Technology, LLC ~ Software, Services, Annual Maintenance & Shipping ~ Year 4 or 4 (Not to Exceed \$1,586,832.55) ~ Updated 7.10.2026

01.07.a.

Dr. Tracey Whaley, Chief of Police, Division of Public Safety, requested that the DeKalb Board of Education approve the continued utilization of **Alliance Technologies (Evolv Systems)** for the 2026-2027 school year to support emergency communication and campus safety initiatives across DeKalb County Schools for an amount not to exceed **\$1,586,832.55** is year 4 of 5 annual renewal options.

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

| Voting results: Unanimously Approved

b. Contract Renewal for Centegix dba 34ED, LLC ~ CrisisAlert Annual Fee, Onsite Maintenance & Support ~ Year 4 of 5 (Not to Exceed \$1,104,000) ~ Updated 7.7.2026

01.07.b.

Dr. Tracey Whaley, Chief of Police, Division of Public Safety, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the continued utilization of **Centegix** for the 2026-2027 school year to support emergency communication and campus safety initiatives across DeKalb County Schools in an **amount not to exceed \$1,104,000**. This is year 4 of 5 annual renewal options.

With no objections, this item was placed on the consent agenda.

8. FINANCE

01.08.

a. School Nutrition Services

01.08.a.

i. Agreement DeKalb Parks and Recreation After School Snacks Program Agreement for SY26-27

01.08.a.i.

Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("the Board") approve the agreement between the DeKalb County School District and **DeKalb County Government** to serve as the vendor for **SY26-27** After School Snacks Program.

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

| Voting results: Unanimously Approved

b. Contract Renewal: RFP 25-609 Districtwide Beverage Services (1 of 4)

01.08.b.

Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the RFP 25-609 contract renewal for Coca-Cola Bottling Company United-East, LLC to provide district-wide beverage services for the period of August 29, 2026, through August 28, 2027.

Mr. Awet Eyasu, 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. Andrew Ziffer

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

No: Mr. Awet Eyasu, Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Abstain: Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

c. Approval of Non-Resident Student Tuition (\$9,443.66 for the 2026-2027 School Year)

01.08.c.

Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the non-resident student annual tuition fee of **\$9,443.66 for the 2026-2027 school year**, as calculated using State provided formula in the attached spreadsheet.

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. Awet Eyasu

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Awet Eyasu, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

d. Acceptance of the May 2026 Monthly Financial Report

01.08.d.

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

With no objections, this item was placed on the consent agenda.

9. HUMAN RESOURCES

01.09.

a. DeKalb Teacher Residency University Partner to Clayton State University (Not to Exceed \$503,970) ~ Updated 7.13.2026

01.09.a.

Mr. Jason Kennedy, Deputy Chief Human Resources Officer, Division of Human Resources, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of the DeKalb Teacher Residency University Partner to **Clayton State University** for the period of July 2026–July 2027, not to exceed **\$503,970**.

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. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

| **Voting results:** Unanimously Approved

b. DeKalb Teacher Residency University Partner to Kennesaw State University ~ Renewal (Not to Exceed \$529,850) ~ Updated 7.9.2026

01.09.b.

Mr. Jason Kennedy, Deputy Chief Human Resources Officer, Division of Human Resources, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of the DeKalb Teacher Residency University Partner to **Kennesaw State University** for the period of July 2026–July 2027 not to exceed **\$529,850**.

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 Human Resources Monthly Report for July 2026 ~ Updated 7.9.2026

01.09.c.

Mr. Jason Kennedy, Deputy Chief Human Resources Officer, Division of Human Resources, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the July Human Resources Report.

With no objections, this item was placed on the consent agenda.

10. SCHOOLS & LEADERSHIP - No Agenda Item This Month

01.10.

11. TEACHING & LEARNING

01.11.

a. Memorandum of Understanding with Georgia Aquarium, Incorporated (Not to Exceed \$418,080)

01.11.a.

Dr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Georgia Aquarium, Incorporated, so students have access to experiential and relevant learning opportunities that expand their background knowledge in science, other core content areas, and career and post-secondary opportunities in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) in an amount not to exceed \$418,080.

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

b. Bid 25-519 Catalog Discount ~ Career, Technical, and Agricultural Materials, Equipment & Supplies Contract Award Approval (Not to Exceed \$2,000,000) ~ Updated 7.8.2026

01.11.b.

Dr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the contract extension of Bid 25-519 Catalog Discount – Career Technical & Agricultural Materials, Equipment & Supplies to the following vendors: Amitrace Computer System, Carolina Biological Supply Company, Flinn Scientific Incorporated, Global Equipment Company, Incorporated, Learning Labs, Incorporated, LEGO Education Incorporated, NASCO Education LLC, Nisewonger Audio Visual Center, Incorporated, Paxton Patterson Incorporated, Sam Tell and Son Incorporated, and William J. Redmond & Son, Incorporated for an additional year in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.

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

c. Approval to Purchase Musical Instruments from TIPS Cooperative Agreement (Adorama, Alamo Music Center, Amro Music Stores, Inc. Brook Mays Music and H and H Music Universal Melody Services, Delgado Guitars, Midwest Musical Imports MSA Music, Inc., Music and Arts Guitar Center Stores, Inc., Penders Music Company Betrold Enterprises, Inc., StageRight Corporation, Steve Weiss Music, Sweetwater Sound LLC, Taylor Music, Inc., Terra Nova Violins LLC, The Tuba Exchange, Washington Music Sales Center, Inc.) and West Music through the Choice Partners Cooperative Agreement (Not to Exceed \$1,801,248.64)

01.11.c.

Dr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education authorize the District purchase of musical instruments from the following vendors: Adorama, Alamo Music Center, Amro Music Stores, Inc. Brook Mays Music and H and H Music Universal Melody Services, Delgado

Guitars, Midwest Musical Imports MSA Music, Inc., Music and Arts Guitar Center Stores, Inc., StageRight Corporation, Steve Weiss Music, Sweetwater Sound LLC, Taylor Music, Inc., Terra Nova Violins LLC, The Tuba Exchange, Washington Music Sales Center, Inc., in accordance with the TIPS Contract No. 240302 through May 31, 2027, and West Music Company in accordance with the Choice Partners Cooperative Agreement Contract No. 23/025SG-05 through May 31, 2027.

Musical Instruments was an approved project in the SPLOST V vote on March 20, 2017, for an amount not to exceed \$10M. This agenda item is to request the use of these cooperative agreement vendors whose purchase order amounts may exceed the \$100,000 spending cap which requires board approval with the total amount not to exceed \$1,801,248.64.

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. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Awet Eyasu, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

d. RFQ 26-725 K-12 Social Studies Instructional Resources Adoption and Purchase (Not to Exceed \$15,000,000)

01.11.d.

Dr. Sean Tartt, Acting Chief Academic Officer, Division of Teaching & Learning, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the RFQ 26-725 K-12 Social Studies Instructional Resources adoption and purchase of **Cengage Learning, Incorporated, Gallopade International, Bedford, Freeman & Worth, Pearson, Incorporated, McGraw-Hill, Incorporated, W.W. Norton, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH), and Oxford University Press**. These vendors represent the most responsive and responsible bidders to provide social studies 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-8 Social Studies	Gallopade International – Georgia Social Studies

9-12		
Course	Vendor	Title
American Government/ Civics	Cengage Learning Inc	American Government, 3 rd edition
Advanced Placement Government/Politics: United States	Bedford, Freeman & Worth	American Government: Stories of a Nation for the AP Course (2E)

Advanced Placement Government/Politics: Comparative	Bedford, Freeman & Worth	Comparative Government: Stories of the World for the AP Course
Introduction to African American/Black Studies	Pearson Inc	The African American Odyssey, 7e ©2020
Advanced Placement African American Studies	Bedford, Freeman & Worth	Freedom on My Mind A History of African Americans for the AP Course (3E)
World History	McGraw-Hill LLC	World History
Advanced Placement World History: Modern	W.W. Norton	Worlds Together, Worlds Apart 3 rd AP Edition
Advanced Placement European History	Cengage Learning Inc	Western Civilizations since 1450, 12 th edition
World Geography	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	Global Geography
Advanced Placement Human Geography	Cengage Learning Inc	Human Geography: A Spatial Perspective AP edition
United States History	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	American History
Advanced Placement United States History	Cengage Learning Inc	American Pageant, 18 th edition
International Baccalaureate History of the Americas, Year One (U. S. History)	Oxford University Press	DP History of the Americas (2026 Edition)
Personal Finance and Economics	McGraw-Hill LLC	McGraw Hill Social Studies Economics w/ Actively Learn
Personal Financial Literacy	McGraw-Hill LLC	Kapoor's Financial Literacy
Advanced Placement Microeconomics	Bedford, Freeman & Worth	Krugman's Economics for the AP Course (4E)
Advanced Placement Macroeconomics	Bedford, Freeman & Worth	Krugman's Macroeconomics for the AP Course (4E)
Psychology	McGraw-Hill LLC	Fitzsimmons and Thompson's Understanding Psychology
Advanced Placement Psychology	Bedford, Freeman & Worth	Myers' Psychology for the AP Course (4E)
International Baccalaureate Psychology, Year One	Oxford University Press	DP Psychology: Coursebook (2025 Edition)
Sociology	McGraw-Hill LLC	Schaefer's Sociology: A Brief Introduction

With no objections, this item was placed on the consent agenda.

12. WRAP AROUND SERVICES

01.12.

a. Renewal: EveryDay Labs Attendance Intervention (Not to Exceed \$144,188.15)

01.12.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 of the **EveryDay Labs agreement** for an amount not to exceed **\$144,188.15**.

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

13. STUDENT SERVICES

01.13.

a. RFP 21-522R1 for Behavior Intervention Services Contract Extensions (AMENDED Not to Exceed \$427,671.25) ~ Updated 7.13.2026

01.13.a.

Mrs. Kiana King, Interim Chief of Student Services, Division of Student Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve a two-month contract extension of RFP 21-522R1 for the following four (4) vendors: Cobb Pediatrics (DBA Stepping Stones), Comprehensive Behavior Change, Kadiant, and Southern Behavior Group, as the most responsive and responsible bidders to provide behavior intervention services for more than \$100,000 per vendor, not to exceed the total contract amount of \$1,000,000. This RFP was approved by the Board on July 14, 2025 and no additional funds are requested at this time. This is year 4 of 4 of RFP 21-522R1. Additional time was needed to complete the full RFP solicitation process resulting in the request of contract extensions for the current 4 vendors.

Mr. Awet Eyasu objected to this agenda item. It was removed from the consent agenda, and will be voted on separately.

Mrs. Deirdre P. Pierce made a motion to amend the dollar amount to **\$427,671.25**.
Action Item vote results are listed below:

Motion made by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Motion seconded by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

Abstain: Mr. Awet Eyasu

b. Exceptional Education Instructional Resources (Not to Exceed \$1,100,000)

01.13.b.

Mrs. Kiana King, Interim Chief of Student Services, Division of Student Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve Goalbook, Everway/News2You, and Stages Learning. These vendors have been identified to provide supplemental instructional resources for teachers and students supported through the Division of Student Services, for more than \$100,000 per vendor but not to exceed a total contracted amount of \$1,100,000.

Division of Student Services Instructional Resources
Dept. of Exceptional Education

With no objections, this item was placed on the consent agenda.

14. ACCESS & OPPORTUNITY

01.14.

a. Athletics ~ No Agenda Item This Month

01.14.a.

b. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Atlanta Level Up: In-school Mentoring Services (Not to Exceed \$249,995)

01.14.b.

Triscilla Weaver, Ph.D., Chief of Access & Opportunity, Division of Access & Opportunity, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Atlanta and the DeKalb County School District (DCSD) to provide Level Up: In-School Mentoring services to 400 students at Lithonia Middle School during the 2026-2027 school year.

With no objections, this item was placed on the consent agenda.

c. RFP 26-737 Community Based Action Planning (Not to Exceed \$850,000) ~ Added 7.10.2026

01.14.c.

Triscilla Weaver, Ph.D., Chief of Access & Opportunity, Division of Access & Opportunity, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the award of **RFP 26-737 Community Based Action Planning to OGR Public Health Group LLC** in an amount not to exceed **\$850,000**.

This item was removed from the agenda at the top of the meeting.

15. ACCOUNTABILITY & RESEARCH

01.15.

a. Renewal of Renaissance Products and Services (Not to Exceed \$760,000)

01.15.a.

Dr. Candace Alexander, Chief of Accountability & Research, Division of Accountability & Research, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of Renaissance in an amount not to exceed \$760,000 for SY 2026-2027.

The requested purchase is a testing expenditure that does not require bid per the

District's Purchasing Board Policy (DJE).

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

b. Renewal of Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment Systems for 2026-2027 (Not to Exceed \$2,500,000)

01.15.b.

Dr. Candace Alexander, Chief of Accountability & Research, Division of Accountability & Research, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education approve the renewal of the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment for the 2026-2027 school year in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.

The requested purchase is an assessment expenditure that does not require bid per the District's Purchasing Board Policy (DJE). It is aligned with Strategic Goal Area 1: Student Success with Equity and Access.

With no objections, this item was placed on the consent agenda.

16. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & INNOVATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

01.16.

a. DONATIONS / GRANTS

01.16.a.

i. Private Donation of \$750,000 for Lakeside High School Lighting Project

01.16.a.i.

Dr. Cherisse Campbell, Chief of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, Division of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept a \$750,000 private donation from Dr. Pete Lollar, through the SYS Fund, to fully fund Lakeside High School baseball and softball field lighting improvements, including Musco Sports Lighting equipment, installation, geotechnical core drilling, and related electrical infrastructure, consistent with District requirements, project specifications, and standards.

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

ii. Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation Award Valued at \$40,338)

01.16.a.ii.

Dr. Cherisse Campbell, Chief of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, Division of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the receipt of the instrument award funded by Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation.

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

iii. 4-H Educator Impact Initiative (Value \$15,000)

01.16.a.iii.

Dr. Cherisse Campbell, Chief of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, Division of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept the 4-H Educator Impact Initiative, which allocates **\$15,000** to 15 DCSD teachers. Funded by the **DeKalb County Board of Commissioners** and sponsored by the **DeKalb County Extension Office**, this initiative offers stipend-supported opportunities for teachers to serve as 4-H Classroom Champions during the 2026–27 school year.

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

iv. Chevron STEM Grant of \$10,000 to Hightower Elementary School

01.16.a.iv.

Dr. Cherisse Campbell, Chief of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, Division of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, requested that the DeKalb Board of Education accept Chevron's \$10,000 STEM donation awarded to Hightower Elementary School for use beginning with the 2026–27 school year.

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

v. DART Foundation Award of \$50,000 to DeKalb High School of Technology South (DHSTS)

01.16.a.v.

Dr. Cherisse Campbell, Chief of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, Division of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept \$50,000 grant from the DART Foundation for DeKalb High School of Technology South (DHSTS).

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

vi. Laurel Ridge Elementary School Playground Enhancements (Not to Exceed \$43,016)

01.16.a.vi.

Dr. Cherisse Campbell, Chief of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, Division of Community Engagement & Innovative Partnerships, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education accept and approve the installation of a sports court by **PlayWORX Playsets, LLC**, funded by the Laurel Ridge ES PTA, for **\$43,016**.

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

17. LEGAL SERVICES

01.17.

a. RISK MANAGEMENT

01.17.a.

i. RFP 22-490 Renewal of the District's Insurance Producer Services for Property and Casualty Insurance (Renewal year 5 of 5) (Not to Exceed \$150,000)

01.17.a.i.

Mr. H. Eric Hilton, Chief Legal Officer, Division of Legal Services, requested that the DeKalb County Board of Education ("Board") approve the renewal of the Insurance Producer Services for Property and Casualty Insurance Agreement with **Edgewood Partners Insurance Center d/b/a EPIC Insurance Brokers and Consultants ("Epic")** for an annual fee not to exceed **\$150,000**.

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

G. AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS & POLICIES

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

G.1.

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 second read at the July 13, 2026, board meeting 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.

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

G.2.

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: Internet Acceptable Use to lay on the table as a second read at the July 13, 2026, board meeting 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.

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

Intelligence

G.3.

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 second read at the July 13, 2026, board meeting 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.

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

G.4.

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 as a second read at the July 13, 2026, board meeting 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.

5. READY FOR ACTION: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: DFK: Gifts and Bequests ~ Updated 7.8.2026

G.5.

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 ready for action.

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. Andrew Ziffer

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Awet Eyasu, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

6. READY FOR ACTION: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: KEB: Solicitations

G.6.

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 ready for action.

Mr. Andrew Ziffer made a motion to remove this item from the agenda.

Motion made by: Mr. Andrew Ziffer

Motion seconded by: Ms. Allyson Gevertz

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

7. READY FOR ACTION: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: CN: Administrative Records

G.7.

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 ready for action.

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. Andrew Ziffer

Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Awet Eyasu, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D.

No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

8. READY FOR ACTION: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: JBCC: Student Assignment

G.8.

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 ready for action.

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. Andrew Ziffer

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

Voting results:

Yes: Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Mr. Awet Eyasu, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

No: Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr.

9. READY FOR ACTION: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BA: Goals and Objectives

G.9.

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 ready for action.

Mr. Andrew Ziffer made a motion to remove this item from the agenda.

Motion made by: Mr. Andrew Ziffer

Motion seconded by: Ms. Allyson Gevertz

Voting results: Unanimously Approved

10. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BBC: Board Committees

G.10.

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 BBC: Board Committees to lay on the table as a first read at the July 13, 2026, board meeting for stakeholder feedback until July 27, 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.

11. FIRST READ: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: BC: Board Meetings

G.11.

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 BC: Board Meetings to lay on the table as a first read at the July 13, 2026, board meeting for stakeholder feedback until July 27, 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.

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Capital Improvement & Facilities Update ~ Updated 7.10.2026

Provided by: Mr. Erick Hofstetter, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Operations, and Mr. Darrell Stallings, Chief of Capital Improvements, Division of Capital Improvements

2. FY 27 Board of Education Travel Expense Summary ~ Added 7.10.2027

Provided by: DeKalb County School District Board Office

3. Revised FY27 Budget Book ~ Added 7.10.2026

Provided by: Mr. Byron Schueneman, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance

I. CONVENE THE BUSINESS MEETING

With no objections, Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, convened the July 13, 2026, business meeting.

J. CONVENE THE COMMUNITY INPUT SESSION ~ 5:45pm ~ Updated 7.13.2026

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

***Speakers**

1. John Powell
2. Lauren Taylor
3. Sundra Burdette
4. Liat Oren
5. Lisa Morgan
- ~~6. Claire Kostopoulos Request Withdrawn~~
- ~~6. Jennifer Primous - Request Withdrawn~~
6. Jessica Stern
7. Tanya Brown
8. Nancy Aguilar Fuentes
9. Ray Amichai
10. Yolanda Lopez
11. Alberto Feregrino
12. Stacey Hydrick
13. Pahla Smith
14. Willie Mosley

K. CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, requested a motion to approve the July 13, 2026, consent agenda items.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

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 Ms. Marchetta Kimmons, to the position of Director of Equitable Services and Federal Programs, as discussed in the executive session.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

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.i. Contract Award ~ RFP 26-714 ~ Synthetic Sports Flooring Services ~ Ram Enterprises, Inc., Salmon Enterprise, Inc. dba VetCor of Norcross, Fit Communities, Inc., dba Rubber Floors and More, Extraordinary Venture (Not to Exceed \$2,000,000)

F.3.a.v. Contract ~ Cooperative Agreement ~ Sourcewell Cooperative Contract # 041123-CPL ~ Georgia Power Authorized Dealer ~ Cooper Lighting ~ Sport Lighting Upgrade Phase 2 (Not to Exceed \$823,652)

F.8.b. Contract Renewal: RFP 25-609 Districtwide Beverage Services (1 of 4)

F.8.c. Approval of Non-Resident Student Tuition (\$9,443.66 for the 2026-2027 School Year)

F.9.a. DeKalb Teacher Residency University Partner to Clayton State University (Not to Exceed \$503,970)

F.11.c. Approval to Purchase Musical Instruments from TIPS Cooperative Agreement (Adorama, Alamo Music Center, Amro Music Stores, Inc. Brook Mays Music and H and H Music Universal Melody Services, Delgado Guitars, Midwest Musical Imports MSA Music, Inc., Music and Arts Guitar Center Stores, Inc., Penders Music Company Betrold Enterprises, Inc., StageRight Corporation, Steve Weiss Music, Sweetwater Sound LLC, Taylor Music, Inc., Terra Nova Violins LLC, The Tuba Exchange, Washington Music Sales Center, Inc.) and West Music through the Choice Partners Cooperative Agreement (Not to Exceed \$1,801,248.64)

F.13.a. RFP 21-522R1 for Behavior Intervention Services Contract Extensions (AMENDED Not to Exceed \$427,671.25)

G.5. READY FOR ACTION: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: DFK: Gifts and Bequests

G.7. READY FOR ACTION: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: CN: Administrative Records

G.8. READY FOR ACTION: Amendment to the Bylaws & Policies: Board Policy: JBCC: Student Assignment

M. ADJOURN

With no objections, Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, adjourned the July 13, 2026, work session and business meeting at 8:05 pm.