

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
of the
SHEFFIELD CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
5:30 p.m., May 5, 2020
[Replaces April 2020 meeting]

Presiding: Mr. Frederick (Fred) Mason, President

Members Present: Mrs. Polly Ruggles, Vice President, Mrs. Christy Casiday, Mrs. Phyllis Meade, and Mrs. Titian Scales.

Members Absent: No member was absent.

The Board of Education of the City of Sheffield met at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 5, 2020, in the Annex at the Sheffield City Board of Education, 300 West Sixth Street, Sheffield. Dr. Keith Davis, Superintendent, kept the minutes. Ms. Tracy Moore, AEA UniServ Director was present. A sign-in sheet was provided for others in attendance. (SEE ATTACHED)

The opening prayer was given by Dr. Keith Davis.

A review of Sheffield City Schools mission, vision, and belief statements was given by Dr. Keith Davis, superintendent.

A motion to adopt the agenda for the May 5, 2020, meeting of the Board was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Casiday, and passed by the Board unanimously.

The meeting was open for public comments.

A motion to approve minutes of the March 23, 2020, regular meeting of the Board was made by Mrs. Scales, seconded by Mrs. Ruggles, and passed by the Board unanimously.

Board members received copies of the monthly financial report for the month March 2020.

Superintendent Davis presented Board members with copies of disbursements for the month of March 2020, and recommended they be approved. The motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Meade, seconded by Mrs. Ruggles, and passed by the Board unanimously.

PROBATIONARY TEACHERS ATTAINING CONTINUING SERVICE STATUS
(Acknowledgement of Attainment)

Certified/Professional Staff:

1. Paula N. Burch, ARI Specialist/Instructional Coach, Willson Elementary School
2. Andrew Franck, general social science teacher, Sheffield Junior High School
3. Emily L. Ownby, special education teacher, Willson Elementary School
4. Carrie J. Rickman, ARI Specialist/teacher, Threadgill Primary School
5. Lathan B. Strong, grade 4 teacher, Willson Elementary School
6. Seth A. Woods, special education teacher, Sheffield High School

The motion to approve the six above recommendations was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Scales, and passed by the Board unanimously

PROBATIONARY TEACHERS ATTAINING CONTINUING SERVICE STATUS
(Acknowledgement of Attainment)

Classified/Support Staff:

1. Philip E. Michael, maintenance worker, Maintenance Shop

The motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Casiday, and passed by the Board unanimously

NON-RENEWALS

Certified/Professional Staff:

1. Jessica N. Allen, grade 6 science teacher, (1.00) (9.5 months/187 days) Willson Elementary School, effective May 22, 2020, end of the 2019-2020 school year.
2. Stefani M. Guthrie, grade Pre-K teacher, (1.00) (9.5 months/187 days) Threadgill Primary School, effective May 22, 2020, end of the 2019-2020 school year.
3. David Koegl, special education teacher, (1.00) (9.5 months/187 days) Sheffield Junior High School, effective May 22, 2020, end of the 2019-2020 school year.
4. Kimberly Faith Tuck, grade Kindergarten teacher, (1.00) (9.5 months/187 days) Threadgill Primary School, effective May 22, 2020, end of the 2019-2020 school year.
5. Deshana M. Peoples, physical education teacher, (1.00) (9.5 months/187 days) Sheffield Junior/Senior High Schools, effective May 22, 2020, end of the 2019-2020 school year.

The motion to approve the five above recommendations was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Scales, and passed by the Board unanimously

RESIGNATIONS

Certified/Professional Staff:

1. Melissa S. Ryan, school guidance counselor, Sheffield High School, (1.00) (12 mos), **resignation effective June 30, 2020, and retirement effective July 1, 2020**, for the 2019-2020 school year. {Letter of resignation dated April 26, 2020, and received in Central Office on April 30, 2020}

The motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Scales, and passed by the Board unanimously

Classified/Support Staff:

1. Christopher M. Patterson, custodian, Sheffield High School, (1.00) (12 months), **resignation effective May 31, 2020, and retirement effective June 1, 2020**, for the 2019-2020 school year. {Letter of resignation dated and received in Central Office on April 30, 2020}

The motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Scales, and passed by the Board unanimously

EMPLOYMENT

Certified/Professional Staff:

1. Dena B. Askew, science teacher, Sheffield Junior High School, (1.00) (9.5 months/187 days), effective August 5, 2020, for the 2020-2021 school year. **Approval PENDING ALSDE issuance of Emergency Certificate.**
2. Kortnie Goodloe, grade 5 teacher (math/social studies), Willson Elementary School, (1.00) (9.5 months/187 days), effective August 5, 2020, for the 2020-2021 school year. **Approval PENDING ALSDE issuance of Professional Educator Certificate.**
3. Tara B. McAbee, special education teacher (self-contained), Sheffield Junior/Senior High Schools (SHS), (1.00) (9.5 months/187 days), effective August 5, 2020, for the 2020-2021 school year. **[Catastrophic Grant position].**

The motion to approve the above three recommendation was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Cassidy, and passed by the Board unanimously

TRANSFERS

Certified Staff:

1. Marcus T. Rice **from** alternative school teacher, Willson Elementary School **TO** social studies teacher, Sheffield Junior/Senior High Schools
2. Kamiya L. Thorne **from** PASS/ISS teacher, Sheffield Junior/Senior High Schools **TO** physical education teacher, Sheffield Junior/Senior High Schools

The motion to approve the two above recommendations was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Casiday, and passed by the Board unanimously

Superintendent Items that were discussed are as follows:

- a. Whole Board Training – discussion
- b. Statement of Economic Interests – ETHICS Compliance – DUE April 30, 2020
- c. REVISED 2020-2021 School Calendar
- d. Superintendent Evaluation
- e. Other

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion for adjournment of the meeting was made by Mrs. Ruggles, seconded by Mrs. Casiday, and passed by the Board unanimously.

Fred Mason, Board President

Dr. Keith Davis, Superintendent

SIGN-IN SHEET

SHEFFIELD CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Meeting - Tuesday, May 5, 2020

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~~Michelle Smith~~

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