

Gaston County Board of Education
Operations Committee Meeting Minutes
4:00 pm – October 3, 2022
943 Osceola Street – Board Room

1. **Call to Order (Kevin Collier)** – Meeting was called to order at 4:03pm. Present: Kevin Collier, Dot Cherry, Brent Moore, and Jeff Ramsey. GCS Staff Present: Gary Hoskins, Morgen Houchard, Aaron Slutsky, Kecia Coln, Paul Nault, Sean Markwith, and Sierra Wray.
2. **Review and Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting (Kevin Collier)** – Dot Cherry made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 12, 2022 meeting. Brent Moore seconded. Minutes were approved.
3. **Oracle Cloud Update (Sean Markwith)** - Our Oracle Technology Coordinator updated us on Oracle Cloud and the conversion progress. He shared with us that an Oracle consultant will be joining us to help issues as they occur. Weekly meetings continue with CherryRoad and their support team.
4. **Grier Middle School – Construction Update (Paul Nault)** – Our Project Manager informed us that the design development drawings for the new Grier Middle School have been completed. Also, 95% of the construction drawings have been completed and we plan to begin the process of obtaining building permits this month. The bidding for a general contractor is planned to take place in January 2023 with a start build to begin in May 2023.
5. **Stanley Middle School - Roof Update (Paul Nault)** - Paul also gave an update on the roof at Stanley and shared that repairs will be done on October 13th and 14th.
6. **W.A. Bess Elementary School - Duke Energy Easement (Morgen Houchard)** – The Executive Director of Auxiliary Services shared information regarding an easement request by Duke Energy at W. A. Bess Elementary School. This item was on the Board’s consent agenda for approval.
7. **Chapel Grove Elementary and Tryon Elementary - County Waterline Projects (Morgen Houchard)** - He also updated us on the water line projects at Chapel Grove, Tryon, and Lowell Elementary Schools. This is being led by Gaston County with grant funding they received through the American Rescue Plan Act.
8. **Review/Discuss Change Orders (Gary Hoskins)** – There were no change orders to review/discuss.

9. Contract Review – The committee reviewed the following contracts and recommended them for approval. They will appear on the Board’s consent agenda at their next meeting.

- a. Transportation - Bus Planner (Morgen Houchard)
- b. Kiser Elementary School – Boiler Room Renovation (Morgen Houchard)
- c. North Gaston High School – LED Lighting

10. Reminder of Meeting Schedule for the Remainder of 2022 (Kevin Collier)

November 14th and December 5th

All meetings will be held at 4:00pm in the Central Office Board Room unless otherwise noted

11. Other Business and Discussion (Kevin Collier) – There was no other business to discuss.

12. Adjourn (Kevin Collier) – Meeting was adjourned at 4:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sierra H. Wray