

**Gaston County Board of Education  
Operations Committee Meeting Agenda  
8:30 am – March 4, 2024  
Rader Staff Development Center**

**Committee Members:** Brent Moore (Chair), Lee Dedmon, Dot Cherry, A.M. Stephens III

**Staff:** Morgen Houchard, Gary Hoskins, Sonya McGraw, Jack Brooks, Aaron Slutsky, Chip Irby and Sierra Wray

1. Call to Order (Chairman Moore)
2. Review and Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting (Chairman Moore)
3. Current Project Update (Jack Brooks/Chip Irby)
  - a. Stanley Middle School Roof
  - b. Stuart Cramer High School Athletic Fields
  - c. Grier Middle School
    - i. Construction Status
    - ii. Athletic Field Turf
4. Discuss School Bond Funding (Gary Hoskins)
  - a. \$60 million 2018 school bond - fully encumbered
  - b. \$80 million 2023 school bond:
    - i. \$57 million – New Grier Middle School
    - ii. \$18 million – Existing capital projects
    - iii. \$ 5 million – Unencumbered
  - c. \$110 million remaining in school bonds unissued
5. Discuss Superintendent's Local Budget Request (Gary Hoskins)
6. Update on Independent Auditor Search (Gary Hoskins)
7. Discuss Reduction in Force Authorization (Gary Hoskins)
8. High School Athletic Streaming (Aaron Slutsky)

9. Contract Review:
  - a. Microsoft Software Agreement (Aaron Slutsky)
  - b. Student Chromebook Purchase (Aaron Slutsky)
  - c. Google Enterprise Purchase (Aaron Slutsky)
  - d. Belmont Middle School - Intercom Upfit (Jack Brooks)
  - e. Stanley Middle School - Intercom Upfit (Jack Brooks)
  - f. Hawks Nest STEAM Academy - HVAC Replacement Units (Jack Brooks)
  - g. Various Schools - Freezer/Cooler Design Services (Jack Brooks)
  
10. Discuss the Meeting Schedule for the second half of FY 2024 (Chairman Moore)  
April 1 (Spring break)      May 6      June 3  
  
All meetings will be held at 8:30am in the GCS Boardroom unless otherwise noted
  
11. Other Business and Discussion (Chairman Moore)
  
12. Adjourn (Chairman Moore)