

**ATHENS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

*January 16, 2025*

**5:00 P.M. Central Office Board Room**

This meeting was conducted in full compliance with § 36-25A-1, et seq. of the *Code of Alabama*, commonly referred to as the “Alabama Open Meeting Law”. Present were approximately 42 members of the public.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Shannon Hutton – Board Vice-President, called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**      Members Present:      Karen Clem  
Beth Patton, Superintendent  
Anthony Townsend

Absent:              Beverly Malone  
Toby Harrison

1. Mr. Townsend opened the meeting with prayer.
2. Mrs. Hutton led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Mrs. Clem moved that the board approve the agenda. Mr. Townsend seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, with all three members voting yes.
4. There was no public input.
5. Mr. Lee Edminson, Facilities Manager for ACS, gave an update on current projects within the system:

### Athletic Facility / Under Stadium Work

Waiting on the availability of the State Inspector, and we'll be done  
Architect - McKee & Associates  
Contractor: Premier Structures

**Julian Newman**

Completed the final in-wall inspections  
Moving to above-ceiling inspections  
Ceiling grid being installed working from the north to south  
HVAC, sprinkler pipe, low voltage wiring and elect staying ahead of the grid  
Lights the following grid  
Loop road delayed due to weather...hope to continue next week  
Sharla and I are working through furniture selections  
The only long lead item / possible delay is the switchgear...supposed to be here Feb 15 w/ 2wks to make up the wiring  
Completion summer of 2025  
Architect - McKee & Associates  
Contractor - Lee Buildings

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**AIS - Addition**

Gym / Storm Shelter:

Trusses and decking were installed over the break

The pre-roofing conference held today

The roofer has started running fascia, soffit, gutters

Running ductwork

Finishing up the brick

Above ceiling inspection is scheduled 2/20

Projecting Feb / March to complete

Classroom wing:

Furniture installed

Exterior HM frames to arrive Jan 28th, doors / hardware Feb 5th

The state has stated the Storm Shelter must be complete before occupancy

Completion date: February / March

Architect - Brown Odell Architects

Contractor - Limestone Building Group

**ARS - Clinton Street: Auditorium HVAC**

The demo complete except for the roof hatch

Concrete pads are poured

Installing pipe hangers in the auditorium

Welding flanges to pipe o/s to make bolted connections...avoid welding inside

I am trying to get the boilers in and set Monday while everyone is away...if not, they will be set

Wednesday

Should finish up auditorium piping by end of the month

Start on band room unit in February

March, we'll start the demo on non heating unit and start piping, and installing condensers

Late April / Early May, new units on the mezzanine installed, ductwork, piping, controls, electrical

The goal is to have a final in late May or early June

6. Mrs. Patton recognized the following:

1. Gifted Education Month
2. AHS SCA
3. AHS Theatre

7. Upon Superintendent Patton's recommendation, Mr. Townsend moved that the Board approve the items set forth below in the consent agenda. Mrs. Hutton seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion, with all three members voting yes.

**A. Consent Items Approved:**

1. Approval of Minutes - December 19, 2024
2. Paid Payables - December 2024
3. Financial Statements - December 31, 2024
4. Personnel
5. TEAMS Contract Approval- Cy Ellis
6. Facility Use Request - Learn to Read Council of Athens
7. Field Trip Approvals for Athens City Schools
8. Field Trip Request - Overnight - AHS Baseball Team

B. Personnel Items Approved:

A. Resignation

1. Courtney Williams - SPED Teacher at AES
2. Margie Tidwell - Bookkeeper at CES

B. Employment

1. Richard Robinson - Bus Driver for ACS
2. Lamont Crittendon - Health Science Teacher at AHS
3. Cy Ellis - Science Teacher at RenV
4. Jason McGee - Custodian at BES (retroactive to January 13, 2025)
5. Courtney Williams - System-Wide Instructional Aide at AMS
6. Alyssa Spivey - SPED Teacher at AES
7. Claudine Beaudry - STEM Elective Teacher at AMS

C. Retirement

1. Amanda Johnson - Registrar at JNE

D. Contracted Services and Stipends

1. Anna Tominack - SPED Teacher at BES
2. Laura Smith - Lead Nurse Responsibilities
3. Angie Willis - Educational at AHS
4. Hunter Shell - Indoor Percussion Instructor (AHS Band Funds)
5. Michelle Weathers - Intervention at AES
6. Cole Chambers - Additional Technology Dutie

8. The Superintendent's Report is attached.

9. An Executive Session was not needed.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Clem.



Mrs. Beth Patton  
Superintendent



Mrs. Shannon Hutton, Vice-President



**Superintendent's Report  
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**ATTENDANCE REPORT**

| School               | April<br>2024 | September<br>2024 | October<br>2024 | November<br>2024 | December<br>2024 | January<br>2025 |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| iAcademy @ AES       | 363 + 71      | 392 + 77          | 393 + 65        | 394 + 65         | 396 + 65         | 396 + 78        |
| FAME Academy @ BES   | 342 + 18      | 359 + 18          | 361 + 18        | 365 + 18         | 364 + 18         | 367 + 18        |
| SPARK Academy @ CES  | 315 + 18      | 309 + 18          | 310 + 18        | 313 + 18         | 313 + 18         | 315 + 18        |
| HEART Academy @ JNES | 354 + 35      | 373 + 36          | 373 + 36        | 381 + 36         | 381 + 36         | 387 + 36        |
| Athens Intermediate  | 603           | 638               | 638             | 644              | 646              | 649             |
| Athens Middle        | 921           | 925               | 929             | 931              | 934              | 940             |
| Athens High          | 1213          | 1263              | 1261            | 1262             | 1260             | 1259            |
| Athens Renaissance   | 753           | 599               | 590             | 585              | 584              | 576             |
| Renaissance Virtual  | N/A           | 345               | 361             | 360              | 362              | 402             |
| Total:               | 5,006         | 5,352             | 5,353           | 5,372            | 5,377            | 5,441           |