

Board of Education August 21, 2025 Meeting

The Bedford County Board of Education met in a Regular monthly session on August 21, 2025 at 6:00 PM in the Thomas Magnet School, 515 Tate Avenue, Shelbyville, TN 37160. Board members **Present:** Andrea Anderson, Shanna Boyette, David Brown, Michael Cook, Lana Craig, Brian Crews, Glenn Forsee, Dan Reed, Barton Williams.

I. PROCEDURAL ITEMS The Bedford County Board of Education met in a regular monthly session on August 21, 2025 at 6:00 pm at Thomas Magnet School, 515 Tate Ave., Shelbyville, TN 37160. Board members Glenn Forsee, Michael Cook, Brian Crews, David Brown, Dan Reed, Andrea Anderson, Barton Williams, Shanna Boyette and Lana Craig were present.

A. Call to Order Chairman Michael Cook called the meeting to order, followed by a moment of silence, and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Karson Davis and Jackson Allen who are students at Thomas Magnet School.

B. Moment of Silence

C. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Karson Davis and Jackson Allen who are students at Thomas Magnet School

D. Opening Remarks

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve Consent Agenda was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

A. Approval of Agenda

B. Minutes from July Monthly Meeting

C. Community HS Girls Basketball Trip Request

D. Community HS Skills USA Trip Request

E. Community HS HOSA Trip Request

F. Cascade HS Cheer Trip Request

G. FY 2026 - CTE Perkins Reserve - Rev 0

H. FY 2026 - LEAPS - Rev 0

I. FY 2026 - Public School Security Grant - Rev 0

J. FY 2026 - Consolidated - Rev 1

Admin Pool

IDEA Preschool

IDEA, Part B

Title I, Part A

Title I, Part D LEA

Title II, Part A
Title III

III. PUBLIC COMMENT There was no public comment.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Good News Report Ms. Garrette gave a quick summary of the highlights on the Good News Report and she thanked the many community partners that support our schools.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. Bedford County Education Association Bedford County Education Association - President of BCEA Nakisha Williams-Bey read a letter to the Board thanking them for their support.

B. Dr. Robert Ralston - Video of Master Plan Dr. Robert Ralston spoke on the desires for the athletic program at Community High School. He showed a video of the proposed master plan for the athletic fields and parking areas.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. Elect Board Chair

Dr. Garrett stated that each year we elect a board chair. Brian Crews nominated Michael Cook and a second was by David Brown. There were no other nominations. **Motion was made by Brian Crews and seconded by David Brown. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.** Mr. Cook thanked everyone for their vote of confidence.

Motion to approve was made by Brian Crews and seconded by David Brown. Motion

Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

B. Elect Board Vice-Chair

Dan Reed nominated Brian Crews. There were no other nominations. **Motion was made by Dan Reed and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.** Mr. Crews likewise thanked everyone for their vote of confidence.

Motion to approve was made by Dan Reed and seconded by David Brown. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

C. Elect Legislative Representative

Brian Crews nominated Shanna Boyette. There were no other nominations. **Motion was made by Brian Crews and seconded by David Brown. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.** Mrs. Boyette thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve in this role and to work with the state legislation.

Motion to approve was made by Brian Crews and seconded by Andrea Anderson. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

D. Collaborative Conferencing Team Appointment
(Currently Michael Cook, Andrea Anderson, Shanna Boyette, Chad Fletcher, and Neil Watson)

The current team is Michael Cook, Andrea Anderson, Shanna Boyette, Chad Fletcher, and Neil Watson. **Motion was made to keep the same people on the team by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Dan Reed. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Dan Reed. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

E. Teacher Tenure Request

Dr. Garrett asked for approval to transfer tenure for Mr. Parker Gunn. **Motion was made by Barton Williams and seconded by Andrea Anderson. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Barton Williams and seconded by Andrea Anderson. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

F. Approval of Cardiac Emergency Response Plan

This plan requires annual approval. **Motion was made by Barton Williams and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Barton Williams and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

G. SACP fees for 2025-2026 Request to increase fees for this year. Also, this year we are implementing new procedures regarding selecting days for attendance and paying whether you come or not to address budget deficits. Federal nor state money can be used to cover any of the expenses, per law extended school programs are to be self-sufficient. There was much discussion on the request. **Motion was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Dan Reed. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Dan Reed. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

H. Policy 1.8012 Extended Programs

Request to approve changes to the policy. There was much discussion on this policy. **Motion was made to approve and amended to add to line 8 "shall be published in the SACP parent handbook on an annual basis. and to line 25 "as it relates to employee pay rates" by David Brown and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve then amended by adding wording was made by David Brown and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

I. Resolution No. 2025-01

The Tennessee Department of Education asked for this resolution. This is so the revisions on federal money does not come before the board every month. **Motion was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

J. Budget Amendment No. 1 This amendment has several grants, changes for SACP, Pre-K and added some speech positions. **Motion was made by Brian Crews and seconded by Shanna Boyette. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Brian Crews and seconded by Shanna Boyette. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

K. June Monthly Financial Report Revenue was 98% collected and we used about 89%. Still waiting on the amount for a fund balance. **Motion was made by Shanna Boyette and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Shanna Boyette and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

L. Quarterly Financial Report This basically wraps up the 2024-2025 year. **Motion was made by David Brown and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by David Brown and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

M. July Monthly Financial Report

Just one month in and looks like we're doing good. **Motion was made by Andrea Anderson and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Andrea Anderson and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

VII. REPORT ITEMS

A. Monthly Tax Analysis for June Board members looked over the information.

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C. Attendance Report Terise Rhodes reported we are down a little over 250 students. Still waiting for some umbrella schools to report their numbers. There was a question about funding and Mrs. Rhodes stated that our funding is based on prior year numbers. Bedford County had 144 voucher applications but do not have how many have been approved.

D. Bus Driver Report and Certifications

E. Executive Committee Report Mr. Cook announced the next board meeting will be at Liberty School on September 18th at 6pm. The ribbon cutting for the Liberty wing will be held at 5:30 prior to the board meeting. The Fall District Meeting is September 2nd at the Hickman County High School.

Mr. Cook added "the Board voted on a list of projects that included concession stands. It is not the intent of the Board to start these projects until the plans and funding are in place. These projects

are independent of each other."

Surplus property declared for Liberty, Cascade High School, Central Office, Community Middle, BCLA, and the Distribution Center.

1. Surplus - Liberty, Cascade High School, Central Office, Community Middle, BCLA, and the Distribution Center

F. Superintendent's Report Dr. Garrett wished everyone a great horseshow break. Chad Fletcher has been appointed to the Federal Education Deregulation Cooperation Task Force by Governor Lee. Lori Sexton is a finalist for Supervisor of the Year for Tennessee. Dr. Garrett said she got appointed by the Commissioner to serve on a Legislative Committee for what the Tennessee Department of Education can do for school districts for English Language Learners. She thanked Thomas Magnet School for hosting the board meeting and thanked them for the t-shirts that was given to all board members.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Additional Acknowledgements Mr. Cook thanked the IT department for all the work that goes into having a board meeting at a school.

B. FYI - Personnel

IX. ADJOURNMENT Glenn Forsee moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:12.