

**SOMERSET COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
January 15, 2019**

Closed Session 4:00 p.m.



Open Session: 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Times are intended for guidance only; unless changed by the Board, the order in which items appear will be followed.

Immediately following the Swearing in of the reelected Board of Education Members, the Board will convene in a Regular Open Session to begin the meeting.

1. Swearing in reelected Board of Education Members – 4:00 p.m. Mr. Charles Horner
Clerk of Court
2. Reception – 4:10 p.m.
3. Call to Order Dr. Gaddis
4. Roll Call Ms. Melissa Tilghman
5. Reorganization of the Board Dr. Gaddis
 - Nomination and Election of Board Chairperson
 - Nomination and Election of Board Vice Chairperson
6. Declaration of a Quorum Chairperson
7. Adoption of Agenda Chairperson
8. Consider meeting in a Closed Session for the reasons listed below, pursuant to Section 3-305(b) of the Maryland Annotated Code:
 - a. To review and approve the following minutes:
✓ November 20, 2018 and December 18, 2018
 - b. To discuss personnel matters - 3-305 – (b),(1)(i)(ii)
 - c. To consult with legal counsel to obtain legal advice – Section 3-305 (b)(7)
 - d. To perform administrative functions
9. Reconvene in Regular Open Session – 6:00 p.m.
10. Pledge of Allegiance Chairperson

The purpose of the Public Participation Section of the Open Meetings of the Somerset County Board of Education is to enable members of the community to discuss matters which are of general concern to them and to the Board of Education. An individual shall not speak publicly about an incident or concern that is specific to any individual as that type of matter shall be addressed in writing to the Superintendent.

- 11. Public Participation..... Chairperson**
- a. Student/Staff/Citizens Recognitions
 - SCPS 2018 Christmas Card Designer and MSDE Art Council Selection Recognition
 - 2018 Fall Sports Conference Awards
- 12. Student Board Representatives School Activities' Reports**
- 13. Approval of Minutes (A)..... Chairperson**
- a. November 20, 2018 – Open Regular Session
 - b. December 18, 2018 – Open Regular Session
- 14. Announcement of Closed Session Meeting**
- a. To approve the minutes of November 20, 2018 and December 18, 2018
 - b. To discuss personnel matters - Section 3-305 – (b)(1)(i)(ii)
 - c. To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice – Section 3-305 (b)(7)
 - d. To perform administrative functions
- 15. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- A. Administrative Functions..... Dr. Gaddis, Superintendent of Schools**
- 1. #500-40, Grading, Promotion, and Retention Policy (Second Reader)
(Exhibit 15-A1)
- B. Facilities and Capital Planning.....Mrs. Daniele Haley, Supervisor
Facilities and Capital Planning**
- 1. Somerset County Technical High School (Information)
(Exhibit 15-B1)
- 16. NEW BUSINESS**
- A. Student Achievement**
- 1. Striving Readers Grant Update (Information)
(Exhibit 16-A1)
 - 2. Family Engagement Practices (Information)
(Exhibit 16-A2)
- B. Monthly Finance Reports.....Mrs. Linda Johnson
Chief of Finance**
- 1. December 2018 Budget Expenditures (A)
(Exhibit 16-B1)
 - 2. December 2018 Food and Nutrition Services Report (Information)
(Exhibit 16-B2)

**C. Personnel Matters Mrs. Beth Whitelock
Supervisor of Human Resources**

1. Personnel Report (A)
2. Negotiations Team (A)

17. Announcement – The Somerset County Board of Education will convene in an Open Regular meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at the J.M. Tawes Career & Technology Center at 4:30 p.m. to immediately consider voting to convene in a Closed Meeting pursuant to Section 3-305(b) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Board will reconvene in the Open Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Additional information will be posted to the Somerset County Public Schools website.

18. Superintendent and Board Member Comments

19. Adjournment