

**CHOCTAW COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING – 4:00 P.M.
CHOCTAW COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2026**

MINUTES:

Board President Marilyn Richard called the meeting to order and a quorum was established with (4) members present:

Mr. Isaac Johnson
Mrs. Marilyn Richard
Mr. Randy Gibson
Mrs. Beverly Skinner

Superintendent James and Board Attorney Alex Braswell were also present for the meeting.

INVOCATION:

Chris Holcombe

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the agenda for Tuesday, March 10, 2026, Board Meeting.

Motion- Johnson Seconded – Gibson Motion-Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Superintendent James recommended the approval of the February 17, 2026, Board meeting minutes.

Motion-Johnson Seconded –Skinner Motion- Carried

APPROVAL OF THE HVAC REPLACEMENT BID

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the HVAC replacement bid that was included in your Board packet, to the lowest bidder.

Motion – Johnson Seconded – Gibson Motion - Carried

APPROVAL OF THE 2026-2027 POLICY AND STUDENT HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the following to serve on the 2026-2027 Policy and Student Handbook Committee:

Accountability Specialist	Career and Technical Director
CCEA President	Chief School Financial Officer
CCES Principal	CCHS Principal
CNP Director	Curriculum Director
ESPO President	Federal Programs Director

Human Resource Director
SCHS Principal
Technology Director
UniServe Director

SCES Principal
Special Education Coordinator
Transportation Supervisor
Two Parent Representatives (Student Handbook)
Two School Counselors
Two Student Representatives

Motion – Skinner Seconded – Johnson Motion – Carried

OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIPS

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the out-of-state field trip for Southern Choctaw Elementary School to travel to Meridian, MS, on Friday, May 8, 2026. The purpose of the trip is to participate in a literacy lab, and child centered workshops for students to attend.

Motion – Skinner Seconded – Gibson Motion - Carried

SUPERINTENDENT’S PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the resignation of Derek Wright, CTE Director at Choctaw County Board of Education, effective March 14, 2026.

Motion – Johnson Seconded – Skinner Motion-Carried

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the resignation of Quindarius Pringle, Instructional Aide, alternative placement, at Choctaw County High School, effective March 10, 2026.

Motion- Skinner Seconded- Gibson Motion - Carried

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the retirement of Valerie McGrew, Teacher at Choctaw County Elementary School, effective June 1, 2026.

Motion- Johnson Seconded- Skinner Motion-Carried

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve the retirement of Quita Traylor, Pre-K Teacher at Choctaw County Elementary School, effective June 1, 2026.

Motion – Gibson Seconded – Johnson Motion – Carried

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve Carolyn Jenkins, Bus Driver at Choctaw County Transportation Department, for family medical leave, effective April 20, 2026.

Motion – Johnson Seconded – Skinner Motion – Carried

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve Venita Deloach, Nurse at Choctaw County High School, for family medical leave, retroactive to January 27, 2026.

Motion – Johnson Seconded – Gibson Motion - Carried

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve Kimberly Alderson, to be employed as a Teacher at Choctaw County Elementary School for the 2025-2026 school term, effective March 16, 2026, contingent upon meeting all requirements for employment.

Motion – Johnson Seconded – Gibson Motion – Carried

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve Keion Lewis, to be employed as a substitute for the 2025-2026 school term, contingent upon meeting all requirements for employment.

Motion – Gibson Seconded – Skinner Motion – Carried

Superintendent James recommended the Board approve Jeffery Banks, as an assistant Baseball Coach for the 2025-2026 season.

Motion – Skinner Seconded – Gibson Motion - Carried

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

- I would like to recognize Caitlyn Goodwin, a senior at Choctaw County High School. On February 27, 2026, Caitlyn signed with Wallace Community College in Selma, AL to play collegiate volleyball.
- I would like to recognize DJ Manual, a 6th grader at Southern Choctaw Elementary School. DJ had the opportunity to serve as a page for the Alabama State Senate from February 17-19, 2026. DJ also got the chance to meet Governor Kay Ivey, and our state senators. Congratulations!
- Top ten achievers by district for the most FASFA applications filled out, #1 CCHS
- Top ten achievers by school for the most FASFA applications filled out, #2 SCHS and #8 CCHS
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NEXT MEETING

Superintendent James announced that the next Board Meeting be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. at the Choctaw County Board of Education.

Motion – Skinner Seconded – Gibson Motion – Carried

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Superintendent of Education

President, Choctaw County Board of Education