



**Tuesday, January 14, 2025**  
**Kingsport City Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting - 6:00 PM**

**Administrative Support Center, Tennessee Room (3rd Floor)**  
**400 Clinchfield Street**  
**Kingsport, TN 37660 Phone: (423) 378-2102**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
  - 1.1. Pledge of Allegiance (Jack and Stella Marshall)
  - 1.2. Additions to and/or Acceptance of the Agenda (Mrs. Melissa Woods)
2. **RECOGNITIONS**
  - 2.1. Dobyys-Bennett High School Dual Enrollment Fall 2024 Graduates from Northeast State Community College (Dr. Brandon Fletcher)
  - 2.2. Aliezah Robinson, Dobyys-Bennett High School All-State Athlete in Girls Golf (Mrs. Jamie Jackson)
  - 2.3. Dobyys-Bennett High School Band Program (Mrs. Melissa Woods)
  - 2.4. Dr. Kelley Harrell - 2024-25 State of Tennessee Principal of the Year (Dr. Phillip Marshall)
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS** (Mrs. Melissa Woods)
4. **CONSENT AGENDA**
  - 4.1. Personnel Considerations (Mrs. Jennifer Guthrie)
  - 4.2. Approval of Minutes - December 10, 2024 BOE Regular Monthly Meeting (Mrs. Melissa Woods)
  - 4.3. Approval of Banking Resolution (Mr. David Frye)
  - 4.4. Acceptance of Donations (Mr. David Frye)
5. **BUSINESS ITEMS**
  - 5.1. Approval of Tenure Recommendations (Mrs. Jennifer Guthrie)
  - 5.2. Kingsport City Schools Board of Education Resolution Opposing the Education Freedom Act Scholarship/School Vouchers (Mrs. Melissa Woods)
6. **TIME AND DATES OF MEETINGS**
  - 6.1. January 21, 2025 - BOE Work Session (6:00 PM)
  - 6.2. January 28, 2025 - Buck Van Huss Dome Reopening Dedication
  - 6.3. February 11, 2025 - BOE Regular Monthly Meeting (6:00 PM)
  - 6.4. February 25, 2025 - BOE Work Session (6:00 PM)
7. **ADJOURNMENT**

# **Kingsport City Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes December 10, 2024**

The Kingsport City Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting was held on December 10, 2024, in the Administrative Support Center, Tennessee Room (3rd Floor) at 6:00 p.m. The following Board of Education members were in attendance.

Dr. Brandon Fletcher: Present (arrived at 6:22 p.m.)  
Todd Golden: Present  
Jamie Jackson: Present  
Dr. Phillip Marshall: Present  
Melissa Woods: Present

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mrs. Melissa Woods, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She noted that Dr. Brandon Fletcher was going to be unavoidably late to the meeting.

### **1.1. Pledge of Allegiance (Nori Barrett)**

Nori Barrett, a 2nd grader at Lincoln Elementary School, led the Board of Education and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **1.2. Additions to and/or Acceptance of the Agenda (Mrs. Melissa Woods)**

A motion was made by Mr. Todd Golden and seconded by Mrs. Jamie Jackson to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried by a vote of Yea: 4, Nay: 0.

## **2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

### **2.1. Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT)-Elizabethton Recognition of Partnership with Kingsport City Schools and the Dobyys-Bennett High School Career & Technical Education (CTE) Program (Ms. Gwen Widner/MR. Steve Sweet)**

Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT) Elizabethton representatives Ms. Gwen Widner, Dual Enrollment Coordinator, and Mr. Steve Sweet, Kingsport Site Coordinator, provided a special recognition given to Kingsport City Schools for the partnership between TCAT and KCS and the Dobyys-Bennett High School Career & Technical Education program. The representatives recognized KCS and D-B for being TCAT-Elizabethton's largest Dual Enrollment partner for Fall 2024. They presented a banner to Dr. Bo Shadden, Director of Career & Technical Education and Post-Secondary Education.

## **3. RECOGNITIONS**

### **3.1. Nori Barrett - 2024 Kingsport City Schools Christmas Card Artwork (Dr. Chris Hampton)**

Dr. Chris Hampton, Superintendent, recognized Nori Barrett, a 2nd grader at Lincoln Elementary School, for submitting the artwork selected for the 2024 Kingsport City Schools Christmas Card. Nori is in Mrs. Liz Layton's art class at Lincoln.

3.2. Kingsport City Schools 2025 Building-Level Teachers of the Year (Mrs. Jamie Jackson)

Mrs. Jamie Jackson announced the names of the 2025 Building-Level Teachers of the Year and presented each with a Certificate of Achievement.

**2025 Teachers of the Year (Building-Level):**

**Grades PreK-4:**

- Kristy Rowe, Palmer Center
- (Catherine) Catie Little, Adams Elementary School
- Carla Casey, Jackson Elementary School
- Stephanie Rebeck Cox, Jefferson Elementary School
- Addison Hale Benton, Johnson Elementary School
- Emily Quillen, Kennedy Elementary School
- Sarah Owens, Lincoln Elementary School
- Rebecca Good, Roosevelt Elementary School
- (Carrie) Logan Burton, Washington Elementary School

**Grades 5-8**

- Stephanie Kilgore, Sevier Middle School
- Julie Potts, Sevier Middle School
- Jesse McCormick, Sevier Middle School
- Angelia (Angie) Hensley, Robinson Middle School
- Heather Bishop, Robinson Middle School
- Jennifer Corbin, Robinson Middle School

**Grades 9-12:**

- Cameron Phillips, Dobyys-Bennett High School
- Jimmy Burleson, Dobyys-Bennett High School
- Brandon Reed, Dobyys-Bennett High School
- Olivia Guntrum, Dobyys-Bennett High School
- Aaron Gourley, Dobyys-Bennett High School
- Holly Fain, Dobyys-Bennett High School
- Katie Kimbro, D-B EXCEL
- Sherona Mims, Cora Cox Academy

3.3. Kingsport City Schools 2025 District-Level Teachers of the Year (Dr. Phillip Marshall)

Dr. Phillip Marshall recognized the teachers selected as the 2025 Kingsport City Schools District-Level Teachers of the Year and presented each with an engraved wooden plaque.

- Grades PreK-4: Addison Hale Benton, Johnson Elementary School
- Grades 5-8: Heather Bishop, Robinson Middle School
- Grades 9-12: Katie Kimbro, D-B EXCEL

3.4. Tennessee Value Added Assessment System Level 5 Schools (Mr. Todd Golden)

Mr. Todd Golden recognized the KCS schools that received a Tennessee Value Added Assessment System (TVAAS) Level 5 based on data released by the Tennessee Department of Education (TDOE) for the 2023-2024 school year. The TVAAS score of 5 is the top possible score, reflecting significantly more than one year's growth by students. The schools recognized for receiving a TVAAS score of 5 were: Adams Elementary School, Jefferson Elementary School, Johnson Elementary School, Kennedy Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, Sevier Middle School, and Dobyms-Bennett High School.

Overall, as a district, Kingsport City Schools also scored a Level 5 in the areas of system-wide numeracy, system-wide science, system-wide social studies, system-wide literacy and numeracy, and the overall system-wide composite score. This was the 8th consecutive year the district received the top TVAAS composite score of 5. TVAAS measures student growth year-over-year. In calculating a TVAAS score, a student's performance is compared relative to the performance of his or her peers who have performed similarly on past assessments. A Level 5 TVAAS score means there is significant evidence that the district's students made more growth than expected.

3.5. 2024 Tennessee Department of Education Reward Schools (Mrs. Melissa Woods)

Mrs. Melissa Woods recognized the five KCS schools earning Reward School status from the Tennessee Department of Education based on results from the 2023-2024 school year. Schools receiving the Reward School designation include Adams Elementary School, Jefferson Elementary School, Johnson Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, and Dobyms-Bennett High School. This is a record number of Reward Schools for the district.

Schools recognized as a Reward School have demonstrated high levels of performance and/or improvement in performance by meeting objectives across performance indicators and student groups. Reward School status is a key designation under Tennessee's school accountability system and identifies the very best Tennessee schools.

**4. PUBLIC INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Mrs. Kimberly Pendleton received prior approval to address the Board regarding her therapy dog program used in several area schools.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 6.1. Personnel Considerations (Mrs. Jennifer Guthrie)
- 6.2. Approval of Minutes - November 12, 2024 BOE Regular Monthly Meeting (Mrs. Melissa Woods)
- 6.3. Approval of Surplus Property (Mr. David Frye)
- 6.4. Approval to Award Athletic Uniforms and Sports Equipment Bid to BSN Sports (Mr. David Frye)

**7. BUSINESS ITEMS**

- 7.1. Budget Amendment #3 (Mr. David Frye)

Mr. David Frye, Chief Finance Officer, presented Budget Amendment #3 for Board consideration. The Budget Amendment included three items in regarding General Purpose School Funds as follows:

Item 1: Curriculum & Instruction Transfer - A transfer of funds totaling \$30,000 related to curriculum & instruction supplies and materials from one account to another.

Item 2: Robinson Locker Room Project - Fundraising and donations were received for an upgrade to the locker rooms at Robinson Middle School.

Item 3: Fund Balance Appropriation - An appropriation in the amount of \$650,000 from the General Purpose School Fund Unreserved Fund Balance for the preliminary design work for the new elementary school to be located on the site of the Lynn Garden Community Center. Regarding the General Project Fund, a new project will be established for the design and construction of a new elementary school to be located on the site of Lynn View Community Center (formerly Lynn View High School). Initial project funding will be established in the amount of \$650,000.00. This will fund the initial agreement with Thompson & Litton Architects for preliminary design work. These funds will be provided by a transfer from the General Purpose School Fund. It is anticipated that these funds will be returned to the General Purpose School Fund at a future date, when bonds are sold by the City of Kingsport to fully fund this project.

A motion was made by Dr. Brandon Fletcher and seconded by Mr. Todd Golden to approve Budget Amendment #3 as presented. The motion carried by a vote of Yea: 5, Nay: 0.

- 7.2. Approval of Thompson & Litton Preliminary Program Planning Agreement (Dr. Andy True/Mr. David Frye)

Dr. Andy True, Assistant Superintendent - Administration, and Mr. Frye presented a recommendation to approve a proposed agreement with Thompson & Litton for architectural and engineering services for a new

elementary school and associated work at the Lynn View Community Center site. Of the ten architectural/engineering firms responding to a request for proposals for the design of the new elementary school, three firms were selected for final interviews. It was recommended that Thompson & Lipton be identified as the architect of record for the design and construction of the new elementary school. The proposed agreement covers programming, schematic design, site survey, traffic impact study, geotechnical, and an existing building environmental review. The proposed fee for these services is not to exceed \$644,067.00.

It was recommended that Thompson & Litton Architects be identified as the Architect of Record for the design and construction administration for a new elementary school to be located on the site of the Lynn View Community Center. It was further recommended to enter into an agreement with Thompson & Litton Architects for phase 1 services to develop a Schematic Design, including supplemental services in the amount of \$644,067.00.

A motion was made by Mrs. Jamie Jackson and seconded by Dr. Phillip Marshall that Thompson & Litton Architects would be identified as the Architect of Record and to enter into an agreement with Thompson & Litton Architects for phase I services to develop a Schematic Design, including supplemental services not to exceed \$644,067.00. The motion carried by a vote of Yea: 5, Nay: 0.

## 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Jackson reported the Safety Task Force met recently and reviewed the Centegix crisis alert safety equipment that was ordered by the district that should be installed next year. District-wide safety issues were discussed during the meeting. School Resource Officers (SRO's) and Kingsport Police Department officers have a daily presence at the schools to ensure students and staff are safe.

Mr. Golden reported that he and Mrs. Woods attended a Healthy Kingsport meeting. Previously, the organization was responsible for installing water refill stations in each school and the district office. Currently, they have agreed to focus more attention on oral health, especially at the elementary level. Healthy Kingsport is currently distributing toothbrushes and toothpaste to students. Mrs. Woods stated that Healthy Kingsport was also focusing on kids making good choices for their overall health and educating them on the harm associated with vaping.

Mrs. Woods announced that the renovation work of the Buck Van Huss Dome at Doby's-Bennett High School was ahead of schedule. She thanked everyone who worked on the project, especially Preston Construction, for putting in countless hours on the project. Plans are currently underway to have a celebration and ribbon cutting ceremony on January 28, 2025, during the D-B Homecoming basketball game in the dome. Mrs. Woods noted the Board had a

work session scheduled that evening, but suggested moving the work session to January 21, 2025, in order for Board members to be able to attend the Dome ribbon cutting ceremony. Hearing no opposition to changing the date of the work session, Mrs. Wood stated the next BOE regular meeting was scheduled on January 14, 2025, and the work session would be on January 21, 2025.

Mrs. Woods reported the Annual School Board Agenda has the Employee Survey and Superintendent Self-Evaluation review listed in February and the Superintendent Review/Contract Adjustment in March. She recommended moving the Employee Survey and Superintendent Self-Evaluation to an April timeframe and the Superintendent Review/Contract Adjustment to a June timeframe that would go into effect on July 1, which was how the superintendent's current contract was set up. This timeline change could provide the Board with sufficient time to establish new 2025-2026 Superintendent Goals and Objectives in August. This would require an administrative procedure change to the superintendent's contract. The change will line up both the superintendent's contract adjustment and review. There was no opposition to the recommended changes.

Mrs. Woods announced the following upcoming events:

- The Board will host a Legislative Breakfast with local legislators on January 9, 2025, from 8:30-10:00 a.m.
- The KCS Annual Budget Review will be held on January 29, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. This is an all-day event.
- BOE Meetings in February will be the regular meeting on February 11, 2025, and the work session on February 25, 2025.

Dr. Hampton wished a Merry Christmas to the students, parents, faculty, staff, community members, and city leaders who support and invest in Kingsport City Schools. He especially extended a thank you to Board members for all they do to support and contribute to the district's success.

9. **TIME AND DATES OF MEETINGS** (Mrs. Melissa Woods)

- 9.1. January 14, 2025 - BOE Regular Monthly Meeting (6:00 PM)
- 9.2. January 21, 2025 - BOE Work Session (6:00 PM)
- 9.3. February 11, 2025 - BOE Regular Monthly Meeting (6:00 PM)
- 9.4. February 25, 2025 - BOE Work Session (6:00 PM)

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs. Woods adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

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Mrs. Melissa Woods, Board President

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Ms. Vivian L. Altizer, Board Secretary

## RESOLUTION

### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL SIGNATURES FOR ACCOUNTS ON DEPOSIT WITH FIRST HORIZON BANK

BE IT RESOLVED by the Kingsport Board for Education as follows:


SECTION I. That First Horizon Bank (hereinafter referred to as the "Bank") be and is hereby designated as a depository of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund, and that accounts established at the Bank, for and on behalf of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund shall be identified in the accounts and on the records of the Bank in the name of the Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School as well as by account name/description, account number and/or any other means as the Bank and/or of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund may determine to be necessary to appropriately identify, track and account for said account or accounts in the Bank's records, and that accounts currently established at the Bank in the name of, for and on behalf of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund, are identified as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>
Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School – Activities Account	175141653

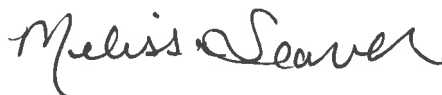
SECTION II. That the Principal, Associate Principal, or Secretary/Bookkeeper, the officers herein listed below, are hereby authorized on behalf of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund to enter into any of the Bank's checking, savings, time deposit, wire transfer, night deposit, or cash management and corporate service agreements, or other deposit account agreements and that the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund shall be bound by the terms and conditions of the said agreements.

SECTION III. That any of the officers designated herein and listed below are authorized on behalf of this school to endorse for deposit with said Bank, any and all checks, drafts, certificate of deposits, savings certificates, or other instruments or written orders for the payment of money payable to this school and such endorsements may be in writing, by stamp or otherwise affixed.

SECTION IV. That delivery to the Bank of funds, checks, drafts or other property, with or without endorsement, and, if endorsed, in whatever manner effected, unless specifically restricted, shall be authority to the Bank to place the same to the credit of the school, and such credits may be withdrawn by check, draft or instrument executed for the school by any two of the following officials, the duly appointed Principal, Associate Principal, or Secretary/Bookkeeper as herein identified:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>TYPED NAME</u>	<u>SIGNATURE</u>
Principal	Philip Wright	

OR

Associate Principal                      Melissa Seaver 

OR

Secretary/Bookkeeper                      Grace Goodnight 

SECTION V. That any two of the officers designated herein and listed above are authorized on behalf of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund to execute the Funds Transfer Agreement to authorize the transfer of funds to other financial institutions or other accounts at Bank by written instructions, telephone or terminal communication device.

SECTION VI. That the Bank shall be under no obligation to see or make inquiry as to the application of any funds withdrawn from said account, even though the withdrawal order may be payable to the agent of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund executing the same, and the funds be withdrawn for his individual use or credit.

SECTION VII. That this resolution shall supersede all previous resolutions filed by the Kingsport Board of Education with the Bank from and after its adoption, and that the Bank shall recognize only those signatures of the officials designated herein as authorized signatures on behalf of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund, and that the Bank shall delete from its records any previously authorized signatures that do not appear herein.

SECTION VIII. That the accounts established at the Bank in the name of, for and on behalf of the Kingsport City Schools – Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Activity Fund shall be classified and identified on the accounts and in the records of the Bank as public funds.

SECTION IX. That no official correspondence and/or official notice from the Bank shall be effective unless directed to the office of the Principal at the following address:

Dr. Philip Wright, Principal  
Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School  
1051 Lake Street  
Kingsport, Tennessee 37660

SECTION X. That this resolution shall be effective from and after its adoption, the public welfare requiring it.

ADOPTED this the 14th day of January 2025.

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Melissa Woods  
Board President



TO: Board of Education  
FROM: David J. Frye, Chief Finance Officer DJF  
SUBJECT: Donation Approval  
DATE: January 14, 2024

Kingsport City Schools has received multiple donations from various sources. Please see the enclosed listing of these donations. These donations have been received by the individual schools and are being accounted for through the school internal accounts. The total of the individual school receipts is \$143, 772.02 of donations.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the acceptance of \$143,772.02 of donations.

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Kingsport City Schools has received the following donations and staff is recommending approval from the Board of Education.

School	DATE	AMOUNT	PURPOSE
Adams	9/16/2024	\$828.00	Educational tools and equipment
Adams	Sept/Oct	\$7.50	Field Trip
Adams	12/17/2024	\$250.00	Students and Staff
Jackson	8/27/2024	\$702.00	Educational tools and equipment
Jackson	Sept 2024	\$70.00	Field Trips
Roosevelt	9/13/2024	\$449.00	Educational tools and Equipment
Roosevelt	9/13/2024	\$200.00	Shoes for students
Roosevelt	10/7/2024	\$750.00	Student support
Roosevelt	10/7/2024	\$750.00	Staff support
Roosevelt	10/25/2024	\$1,308.28	Reset room supplies
Roosevelt	10/28/2024	\$5,000.00	Student support
Roosevelt	10/30/2024	\$1,250.00	Student support
Roosevelt	10/30/2024	\$2,250.00	Books for students
Jefferson	8/26/2024	\$884.00	Educational tools and Equipment
Jefferson	9/24/2024	\$500.93	Library Donation for Birthday Books
Jefferson	Sept 2024	\$105.00	Field Trips
Jefferson	Oct 2024	\$236.00	Field Trips
Jefferson	Nov 2024	\$818.00	Field Trips
Johnson	Sept/Oct 2024	\$91.50	Field Trips
Kennedy	8/30/2024	770.00	Educational tools, equipment and opportunities
Kennedy	8/28/2024	2,313.81	Items for playground area
Kennedy	9/10/2024	250.00	Clothing, shoes and hygiene items
Kennedy	9/24/2024	1,250.00	Reading support
Kennedy	10/29/2024	1,000.00	Reading support
Kennedy	10/29/2024	1,250.00	Clothing, shoes and hygiene items
Kennedy	12/13/2024	413.00	Field Trips
Lincoln	8/27/2024	\$2,116.00	Educational tools and equipment
Lincoln	9/12/2024	\$308.00	Teacher appreciation/support
Lincoln	11/8/2024	\$13.00	Field Trips
Lincoln	11/8/2024	\$250.00	Teacher appreciation/support
Lincoln	11/25/2024	\$150.00	Field Trips
Lincoln	12/5/2024	\$5,000.00	Library

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<b>School</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>
Washington	9/12/2024	\$1,334.00	Educational tools and equipment
Washington	9/12/2024	\$250.00	For Student Needs
Washington	10/18/2024	\$1,250.00	Learning Center Resources
Washington	10/18/2024	\$1,000.00	Related Arts
Washington	11/20/2024	\$175.00	For Student Needs
Robinson	7/3/2024	\$300.00	Locker Rm Project
Robinson	7/3/2024	\$500.00	Basketball
Robinson	7/3/2024	\$500.00	Basketball
Robinson	8/5/2024	\$5,000.00	Locker Rm Project
Robinson	8/5/2024	\$300.00	Football
Robinson	8/6/2024	\$1,000.00	Football
Robinson	8/14/2024	\$75.00	Locker Rm Project
Robinson	8/28/2024	\$1,450.00	Educational tools and equipment
Robinson	9/17/2024	\$500.00	To cover student unpaid band dues
Robinson	9/20/2024	\$5,000.00	Locker Rm Project
Sevier	July/ August	\$475.00	Cross country
Sevier	8/26/2024	\$413.00	Educational tools and equipment
Sevier	10/29/20254	\$510.00	Unicoi Middle School (Helene Relief)
Sevier	11/25/2024	\$5,000.00	Teacher instore shopping allowance at Office Depot
Dobyns-Bennett	7/1/24	\$75.00	WCSK RADIO
Dobyns-Bennett	7/10/24	\$75.00	WCSK RADIO
Dobyns-Bennett	7/11/24	\$100.00	GENERAL ATHLETICS
Dobyns-Bennett	8/5/24	\$2,000.00	GENERAL ATHLETICS
Dobyns-Bennett	8/5/24	\$750.00	BOYS GOLF
Dobyns-Bennett	8/7/24	\$1,000.00	GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Dobyns-Bennett	8/8/24	\$150.00	BOYS GOLF
Dobyns-Bennett	8/14/24	\$6,000.00	BOYS BASKETBALL
Dobyns-Bennett	8/15/24	\$3,500.00	BOYS BASKETBALL
Dobyns-Bennett	8/16/24	\$100.00	FOOTBALL
Dobyns-Bennett	8/16/24	\$500.00	FOOTBALL
Dobyns-Bennett	8/16/24	\$75.00	WCSK RADIO
Dobyns-Bennett	8/19/24	\$600.00	CROSS COUNTRY
Dobyns-Bennett	8/16/24	\$450.00	CROSS COUNTRY
Dobyns-Bennett	8/19/24	\$1,000.00	SOFTBALL
Dobyns-Bennett	8/21/24	\$500.00	BOYS GOLF
Dobyns-Bennett	8/21/24	\$100.00	GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Kingsport City Schools has received the following donations  
and staff is recommending approval from the Board of Education.

<b>School</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>
Dobyns-Bennett	8/23/24	\$200.00	GIRLS GOLF
Dobyns-Bennett	8/28/24	\$620.00	WRESTLING
Dobyns-Bennett	8/29/24	\$1,000.00	BOYS GOLF
Dobyns-Bennett	9/3/24	\$50.00	WCSK RADIO
Dobyns-Bennett	9/3/24	\$100.00	CROSS COUNTRY
Dobyns-Bennett	9/5/24	\$200.00	BOYS GOLF
Dobyns-Bennett	9/9/24	\$5,000.00	GIRLS BASKETBALL
Dobyns-Bennett	9/9/24	\$10,000.00	BOYS BASKETBALL
Dobyns-Bennett	9/16/24	\$250.00	SPED ATHLETICS
Dobyns-Bennett	9/19/24	\$75.00	WCSK RADIO
Dobyns-Bennett	9/25/24	\$100.00	ROBOTICS
Dobyns-Bennett	9/25/24	\$100.00	ROBOTICS
Dobyns-Bennett	10/3/24	\$86.00	CHORAL
Dobyns-Bennett	10/15/24	\$50.00	ROBOTICS
Dobyns-Bennett	10/15/24	\$250.00	ROBOTICS
Dobyns-Bennett	10/16/24	\$25,000.00	PULASKI CLUB
Dobyns-Bennett	10/22/24	\$2,500.00	FORENSICS
Dobyns-Bennett	10/24/24	\$2,000.00	STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING
Dobyns-Bennett	11/18/24	\$5,000.00	WRESTLING
Dobyns-Bennett	11/21/24	\$2,500.00	GIRLS LACROSSE
Dobyns-Bennett	11/21/24	\$2,500.00	BOYS LACROSSE
Dobyns-Bennett	11/25/24	\$500.00	BOYS LACROSSE
Dobyns-Bennett	12/2/24	\$250.00	WRESTLING
Dobyns-Bennett	12/9/24	\$11,900.00	STATE CHAMPIONSHIP RINGS

## Kingsport City Schools Educators Recommended for Tenure

Teacher	Location
Lindsay Carpenter	Adams
Alana Street	Adams
Konley Smith	ASC
Nathan Bailey	DB
Candace Burchfield	DB
Charles Rhoton	DB
James Scales	DB
Patti Denmark	DB
Stephanie Strickler	DB
Kailin Toney	DB
Phillip Trammell	Jackson
Kesha Ryan	Jackson
Sarah Pearman	System-Wide SPED
Hannah Hughes	Johnson
Robert Ramsey	Johnson
Tonya Warner	Roosevelt
Summer Hughes	Washington
Mitch Carter	Robinson

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### A RESOLUTION OF THE KINGSFORT BOARD OF EDUCATION OPPOSING THE EDUCATION FREEDOM ACT

**WHEREAS**, Article XI, Section 12 of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee requires the General Assembly "shall provide for the maintenance, support, and eligibility standards of a system of free public schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Kingsport City Schools is charged to provide a free and appropriate education for all students, regardless of background, need, or ability, delivering exemplary learning opportunities for over 100 years that ensure success for all children; and

**WHEREAS**, Kingsport City Schools educates and serves every eligible student in our community who wishes to enroll; and

**WHEREAS**, Kingsport City Schools has a long-established history of providing a wide array of nationally-recognized academic, athletic, social, and arts programs through effective and strategic stewardship of public funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kingsport Board of Education is committed to ensuring local control over our schools through transparency and accountability, reflecting the values and needs of the Kingsport community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kingsport Board of Education believes all educational institutions receiving public funds should have the same level of academic and financial transparency and accountability; and

**WHEREAS**, private educational institutions do not face the same state-approved academic standards, transparency requirements, accountability methods, and performance measures as public educational institutions, nor are they required to accept all students and offer needed specialized programs; and

**WHEREAS**, diverting critically needed public funds to private educational institutions through vouchers/Education Savings Accounts threaten Kingsport City Schools' ability to maintain its exemplary quality of programs and services;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Kingsport Board of Education unanimously opposes the "Education Freedom Act" and strongly urges the Tennessee General Assembly to reject such legislation and/or any other similar voucher or Education Savings Account legislation that would divert public dollars away from public schools.

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