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Sylacauga City Schools approves contract for new CSFO

Sylacauga, AL...During a called meeting on January 5, the Sylacauga Board of Education approved the contract for new chief school financial officer Thomas Osborne.

Osborne brings to Sylacauga City Schools (SCS) a broad background in business leadership, having worked extensively with budgeting, project management, operations, contract negotiations, and human resources.

He currently serves as the assistant superintendent - chief school business official of business, finance and operations for Springfield Public Schools in Illinois. Previously, he was a classroom teacher and coach, as well as having worked in an administrative capacity at the Regional Office of Education and as payroll and budget manager at Springfield Public Schools.

Osborne served in the United States Army and earned his bachelor's degree in accounting, and master's degree in business administration (MBA), with an accounting emphasis, from Colorado Technical University. He also earned his Professional Educator License Administrative Endorsement as a chief school business official from Concordia University-Chicago and has begun pursuit of an Advanced Degree (Ed.S) from the American College of Education.

He will take over the financial responsibilities of SCS later in April. In welcoming him superintendent Dr. Michele Eller said, "We are so glad to welcome Mr. Osborne to Sylacauga and the Aggie family. When this vacancy occurred, the board was very intentional about not rushing the process so that we had time to select the person who would be the best fit for our school system and community. Mr. Osborne brings many strengths and experiences that will help us find financial solutions for ensuring that classroom and facility needs are given the highest priority."

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