**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2019**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a regular session on February 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administrative Office, 215 Kaigler Road. Mr. Willie J. Anderson, Chairman, presided.

**PRESENT:** Mr. Willie J. Anderson, Chairman; Mr. Billy Shirah, Sr., Vice Chairman, Mr. Jimmy Eleby, Mrs. Christi Green, and Mr. Larry Wilborn; Board members; and Mrs. Victoria Harris, School Superintendent.

**ABSENT:** None.

**CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING CEREMONY**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Agenda as printed. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Superintendent recommended approval of January 8, 2019 Regular Board Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of January 26, 2019 Called Board Minutes (Superintendent’s Evaluation). On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted (4, 1), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) Green abstained. The motion passed.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & UPDATES**

Mr. Jones, Principal/Asst. Supt., reviewed school activities and news with the Board. He stated that we have 8 students working in the Work-Base Learning program, we have the Annual College & Career day planned for elementary, middle, and high school students, Apple donated BEATS headphones for all of our students, CTAE students received National Certification for Microsoft PowerPoint, in addition to other items.

Superintendent Harris recognized the student and staff members for the month of January, reviewed the Governance Team Important Dates form (this will be on the March agenda), and reviewed the 2019-2020 Budget Notebooks with the Board.

**PERSONNEL (EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

The Superintendent recommended entering executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Shirah, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to resume regular session. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

Chairman Anderson stated that the Board had met in executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel. No decisions were made and no votes were taken; only discussion took place. However, the Superintendent may have some recommendations resulting from the Executive Session.

The Superintendent recommended approval for Mrs. Karen Espy to work as a teacher in the SOAR After School program. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended to rescind the employment offer of Mr. Jonathan Averett as the Security Resource Officer. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

**FINANCE**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Financial Report for January 2019. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Tax Collections for December 2018. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

**MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS**

There were no items to discuss under Maintenance & Operations.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Superintendent recommended approval to purchase a 2017 Dodge Caravan for the amount of $16,399.50 from Billy Lawrence Buick. The Bid was properly advertised and this was the only bid that was received for consideration. The van will be used for Nutrition services only. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent shared with the Board that JAMF that was approved last month in the amount of $17,559.80 had decreased to $15,786.00 and recommended the revised quote. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the Memorandum of Agreement between Quitman County Schools and the Georgia Department of Education for Promise School. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Title I-A (Improving Academic Achievement) Grant in the amount of $216,662. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Title IV-B (21st CCLC) Grant in the amount of $378,600.00. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of Moby Max software for the After School Program in the amount of $11,980.00. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Shirah, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the following fundraisers: Valentine’s Day Party for Pre-K through 5th grade, February 6 – 13, 2019; Kiddie Prom for Pre-K through 5th grade February 25 – March 7, 2019. The funds raised will support the Junior/Senior Prom. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the 2019-2020 School Year Calendar #1. The staff votes were 65 votes for Calendar #1 and 4 votes for Calendar #2. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Superintendent shared the following with the Board:

 Field Trip Schedule

 Board Activity Schedule

 Parent Newsletter

 The Board & Administrator Brochure

**ADJOURNMENT**

With there being no other business to discuss, on a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to adjourn. (Anderson, Eleby, Green, Shirah, and Wilborn voted yes.) The motion passed.

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