**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF AUGUST 6, 2019**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a regular session on August 6, 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. The motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Superintendent recommended approval of July 11, 2019 Regular Board Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of July 23, 2019 Called Board Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Shirah, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of July 29, 2019 Called Board Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & UPDATES**

Principal Jones updated the Board on recent events that have taken place in the school.

Superintendent Harris recognized some of the District Office Leaders for their hard work.

Superintendent Harris shared newspaper articles that appeared in the newspaper.

**PERSONNEL (EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

The Superintendent recommended entering executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. 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. 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 of Ms. Terika Davis as a Middle School Science teacher. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**FINANCE**

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

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Tax Collections for June 2019. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Board approved to advertise the 2019 Property Tax Digest and 5-year History of Levy. The Board and Superintendent set a Called Board Meeting for August 20th at 5:00 p.m. to set the Millage Rate.

**MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS**

The Superintendent informed the Board that Georgia School Boards Association does a site visit every 3 years of our facilities and would be in the district on August 27, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. to do their walkthrough.

The Superintendent shared that there are several policies that are outdated and need to be updated along with new policies. Some of the Board members thought that there was a policy update/maintenance being done on our policies. The Superintendent shared a Policy Services flyer from Georgia School Boards Association with the Board at the last meeting and asked that they look over it. The Superintendent recommended to allow Georgia School Boards Association to bring our system’s policy manual in conformance with current laws and regulations at the cost of $12,500. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed. The Board said they may get additional services after the policies are updated.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Superintendent shared the CEP letter from the Georgia Department of Education. Free claiming percentages for Quitman County Schools is 100%.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Speech Pathologist and QCBOE. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Shirah, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Specialized Education Association and QCBOE. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Preschool Handicap and QCBOE. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Columbus Technical College and QCBOE. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the following Federal Grants for the 2019-2020 School Year:

 Title I, School Improvement Grant – Allocation ($20,000)

 Title I – A, Improving Academic Achievement - Allocation ($191,565)

 CTAE Grant Allocations ($20,717)

 Title II – A, Supporting Effective Instruction – Allocation ($19,342)

 Title IV-A, Student Support & Academic Achievement Allocation ($13,713)

On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Shirah, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of a Middle School Spirit Shirt Sale as a fundraiser. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval for the FBLA to sell Beef Jerky as a fundraiser. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Shirah, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the slate of Athletic Coaches and Supplements for the 2019-2020 School Year. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Superintendent shared with the Board that FBLA would be attending the 2019 Georgia FBLA Rally on October 10, 2019.

The Superintendent announced the meeting with SRJ on August 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

The Superintendent shared the Board and 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. The motion passed.

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Chairman Secretary