

# SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

## REGULAR MEETING

7:00 PM

JANUARY 11, 2018

### MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Sumter County Board of Education was called to order by Chairman Michael Busman with the following other members present: Rick Barnes, Alice Green, Meda Krenson, Jim Reid and Sylvia Roland.

Ms. Edith Green entered the meeting prior to the executive session.

A moment of silence was observed.

### BOARD ELECTIONS

As required by policy, the annual board elections for chairman and vice chairman were conducted. The chairman, Dr. Busman, declared all offices open and turned the meeting over to the Superintendent, Dr. Torrance Choates who asked for nominations for chairman. Mr. Barnes nominated Dr. Busman. A second was made by Mr. Reid. Dr. Busman was unanimously elected as board chairman.

Dr. Busman assumed the office of chairman and asked for nominations for vice chairman. Mr. Reid nominated Mr. Barnes. A second was made by Mrs. Roland. Mr. Barnes was elected vice chairman by a unanimous vote.

The chairman called for nominations for school board attorney. Mr. Barnes nominated Jimmy Skipper of Gatewood, Rambo and Skipper for local matters. Mr. Skipper was approved five in favor; one opposed (Ms. A. Green). The chairman called for nominations for school board attorney for school matters. Mrs. Roland nominated Harben, Hartley and Hawkins. The nomination was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Roland recommended the Americus-Times Recorder as the weekly legal organ. The recommendation was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Ms. Alice Green to adopt the agenda; second by Mrs. Roland; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Alice Green; second by Mr. Barnes to approve the consent agenda including minutes of the meetings held on December 14 & 28, 2017 and the following overnight/out of state field trips; motion carried unanimously:

### OVERNIGHT/OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

1. Twelve students (ASHS Wrestling Team) to Ola High School, McDonough, Georgia January 19-20, 2018 to compete in the wrestling tournament.
2. Eight students (ASHS Band) to Troy University, Troy, Alabama to perform in the SEUS Honor Band, February 1-3, 2018.
3. Ten students (ASHS Wrestling Team) to Atlanta, Georgia on February 2-3, 2018 to participate in the sectional wrestling tournament.
4. Eight students (ASHS Band) to Tifton, Georgia to perform at the District Honor Band, February 9-10, 2018.
5. Five students (CTAE/Skills USA) to Tulsa Welding School, Jacksonville, FL to compete in the Tulsa Welding Scholarship Welding Competition, February 23-24, 2018.
6. Eight students (CTAE/Skills USA) to Atlanta, Georgia, March 22-24, 2018 to participate in the Skills USA State Leadership Conference and Skills Competition Program of Work.

7. Fifteen students (CTAE/Skills USA) to Universal Technical Institute, Mooresville, NC to compete in the Engine Building Team Region Competition, March 30-31, 2018.

The Dwight Harris Boys Club's request for reconsideration of fees for the use of Americus-Sumter Ninth Grade Academy Gymnasium for Summer 2018 was placed on the table for further discussion.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The financial reports and accounts payables for December 2017 along with the following preliminary cash flow report were unanimously approved upon recommendation of the committee:

**Preliminary Cash Flow Report**

	Citizens Bank – General Fund	GA Fund 1 General Fund	Citizens Bank – Construction 2011	GA Fund 1 2011 Bond Proceed
November 30, 2017 Beginning Cash	\$3,922,280.32	\$40,999.04	\$161,031.30	\$3,255,136.65
Incoming	\$9,922,720.87	\$36.97		\$2,838.66
Outgoing	\$7,406,105.79	\$0.00	\$16,334.00	
December 31, 2017	\$6,438,895.40	\$41,036.01	\$144,697.30	\$3,257,975.31

**TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

The committee recommended approval of the Anti-Virus Agreement from Trebron Company; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made at 7:36 p.m. by Ms. Edith Green; second by Mrs. Roland; to go into executive session for the following reasons as read by the chairman: to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or to interview applicants for the position of superintendent; (O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(2) or to discuss or vote to authorize negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property; authorize ordering an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate; enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of, or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; or enter into an option to purchase, dispose of or lease real estate subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)). The motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The board returned to open session at 8:11 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Krenson; second by Ms. Alice Green.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

The following personnel matters were unanimously approved upon recommendation of the committee:

Resignations

- Norbert Ingram
- Frank Harvey
- Kendrick Berry

Employment

- Natashia Mahome
- TeLisha Cutts
- Keith Renfroe

Family Medical Leaves

- Devita Slaton
- Dauntra Watts
- Clifford Gardner

**PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

The property committee recommended listing the Cherokee School property with Century 21 pending completion of successful negotiations; motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Roland; second by Ms. Alice Green; motion carried unanimously.



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Chairman



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Secretary