**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF JULY 9, 2020**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a regular session on July 9, 2020 at 6:00 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. Jimmy Eleby, Mrs. Christi Green, and Mr. Larry Wilborn; Board members; and Mrs. Victoria Harris, School Superintendent.

**ABSENT:** Mr. Billy Shirah, Sr., Vice Chairman.

**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**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the agenda. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve the Agenda. The motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Superintendent recommended approval of June 2, 2020 Regular Board Minutes (GoToMeeting). On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of June 15, 2020 Called Board Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & UPDATES**

Asst. Supt. /Principal Jones presented a presentation to the Board about our Re-opening Plan for the 2020-2021 school year. Different models were discussed (Traditional, Hybrid, and Virtual). The Superintendent recommended to approve the Virtual Plan for the first 45 days (9 weeks) of school and the Hybrid Model beginning October 19, 2020. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed. Mr. Jones will meet with parents and would be doing a Facebook Live. Information will be sent to the local newspaper and media outlets.

Mr. Jonathan Curry, Asst. Principal, shared the Modification Updates with the Board and Mr. Jones showed pictures of the progress.

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. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 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 to accept the resignation of Ms. Katrina Fuller effective July 24, 2020. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to transfer Mrs. Kathy Hayes from the school to the Accounts Payable Clerk and District Bookkeeper at the District’s Office. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of FMLA for Mrs. Twana Purifoy-Anderson. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (3, 1), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. Mr. Anderson abstained. The motion passed.

**FINANCE**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Financial Report for June 2020. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Tax Collections for May and June 2020. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent and Board agreed to meet on the following dates:

Monday, July 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. for a Budget Workshop;

Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. for Budget Hearing #1;

Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. for Budget Hearing #2;

Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. for Adoption of the Budget.

**MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS**

The Superintendent recommended approval of a Video Intercom/Door Station from Harris Security in the amount of $1298. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of ServPro (there was no response from the other company) to clean and sanitize all district buildings including the district office prior to school starting for the amount of $4095. The buses will be cleaned and sanitized at no charge to the district. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Superintendent recommended approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between Quitman County Schools and Albany State University. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between Quitman County Schools and Bright from the Start. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent gave each Board Member a copy of a Resolution to amend the Strategic Waiver School System (SWSS) Contract. Additional Waivers will be reviewed, selected and approved by the Board and sent to the State Board for approval. 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 shared the July 2020 Policy Alert with the Board. This Alert addressed Senate Bill 430 – JBC Student Admissions Policy; Senate Bill 68 GAE or GAE (2) – Teacher Evaluations; Public Participations at BOE meetings and the State Board adopted a Resolution to grant an exemption for the 2020-2021 for local school systems as it relates to school day and school year for students and employees.

The Superintendent shared the Board Policy Review Chart and put Policies A through F on the table for review. They will be up for adoption at the August 4, 2020 Board Meeting.

The Superintendent recommended to rescind the K-8 Student Uniform Policy for the 2020-2021 school year. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Superintendent reported that the first day of school would be August 3, 2020.

The Superintendent distributed the Board and Administrator Brochure.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With there being no other business to discuss, on a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to adjourn. The motion passed.

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