

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 11, 2021

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Sumter County Board of Education was called to order by Chairman Rick Barnes with the following other members present: Carolyn Hamilton, Abbis Bivins, Patricia Harris, Vincent Kears, Jim Reid and Sylvia Roland.

A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Mrs. Roland; second by Mr. Reid to adopt the agenda; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mrs. Roland; second by Mrs. Hamilton to approve the consent agenda including minutes of the meetings held on February 11 & 18, 2021; motion carried unanimously.

The following fund raising request and facility use request were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Reid; second by Mrs. Roland:

FUND RAISING REQUEST

Sumter County Middle School CTAE (FCCLA, FBLA, FFA, TSA) to conduct an online sales/virtual fundraiser to sell Gourmet popcorn, April 1-4, 2021.

FACILITY USE REQUEST

Dwight Harris Summer Basketball League (DHBC) to use ASNGA gymnasium May 22 – July 24, 2021 for youth summer league basketball games. *(Insurance will be secured & fees paid prior to May 22)*

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

The 2021-2022 School Calendar was unanimously approved as presented by the committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The financial reports for February 2021 along with the following preliminary cash flow report were unanimously approved upon the recommendation from the committee:

Preliminary Cash Flow Report

	Citizens Bank General Fund	GA Fund 1 General Fund	GA Fund 1 New HS Construction	Citizens Bank Construction 2011	Regions Bank Sales Tax	Regions Bank 2015 Bond Proceeds
January 31, 2021	\$14,856.50	\$5,250,000.00	\$12,500,000.00	\$3,371,176.88	\$1,139,224.81	\$17,945.59
Incoming	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$415,893.81	\$124.14
Outgoing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,316,874.90	\$1,139,224.81	\$0.00
February 28, 2021	\$14,856.50	\$5,500,000.00	\$12,550,000.00	\$1,207,301.98	\$415,893.81	\$18,069.73

The committee recommended approval of the Governor’s Office “One Time” \$1,000 bonus/stipend to include all employees. The motion carried six in favor (Mr. Reid, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Kears, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Harris & Mrs. Roland) and one opposed (Ms. Bivins).

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Personnel matters were deferred to executive session.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The committee recommended approval of the purchase of weight room equipment for the new high school in the amount of \$71,947.31 from Promaxima Manufacturing, LLC. The motion carried unanimously.

The purchase of band uniforms from Stanbury Uniforms, LLC in the amount of \$40,655.50 was unanimously approved as recommended by the committee.

OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made to rescind the previous action regarding the purchase of stadium lighting for the new high school by Mrs. Hamilton; second by Mr. Reid; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mrs. Hamilton; second by Mrs. Harris to accept a proposal from Georgia Power Company for football stadium lighting for the new high school in the amount of \$319,649.00. This includes receiving credit in the amount of \$165,261.95 and pay the remaining \$154,387.06; motion carried six in favor (Mr. Reid, Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Kearse, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Harris & Mrs. Roland); one opposed (Ms. Bivins).

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Roland offered a motion to accept the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Americus and replace the wording "open cut" with "jack and bore"; second by Mr. Kearse. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board designated Mrs. Hamilton to serve as the delegate and Ms. Bivins as alternate to represent the Sumter County Board of Education at the GSBA Summer Conference in Savannah.

A motion was made by Mrs. Roland; second by Mrs. Hamilton to reimburse the superintendent and board for expenses incurred while attending the GSBA Summer Conference, June 10-12, 2021; motion carried unanimously.

The contract renewal agreement between the Sumter County Board of Education and the Georgia Board of Regents of the University of Georgia on behalf of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service (County Extension Agent) was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Reid; second by Mrs. Hamilton.

A motion was made by Mr. Kearse; second by Mrs. Harris to approve the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Americus Solar LLC, the Sumter County Board of Commissioners, the Americus-Sumter Payroll Development Authority, the Board of Tax Assessors of Sumter County, the Sumter County Tax Commissioner and the Sumter County Board of Education; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made at 9:02 p.m. by Mrs. Roland; second by Mrs. Harris 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

A motion was made at 10:06 p.m. by Mrs. Roland to go back into open session; second by Mr. Reid; motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

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

Retirements

Phyllis Lundy
Virginia Minter
Ida Anthony

Release from Contract

James Wright

Resignations

Brittany Berryhill
Latashia McClaster
Amanda Johnson
Brandon Gross
Cynthia Gonzales

Employments

Madeline Campbell
Kaneisha Tookes
Lorin Raven Martin
Chelsea Law

FMLA's

Jacqueline Hawkins
Mary Moncus
Linda Jones
Demetrius Bridges

Long Term Substitute

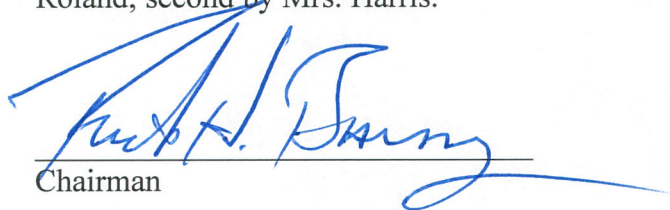
Selena Wallace

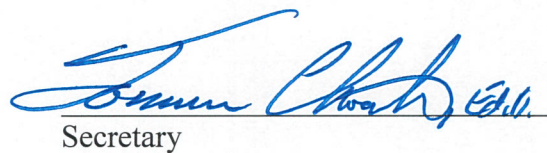
Two Ignite College & Career Academy Positions (to be advertised)

1. Audio Visual Film Teacher
2. Information Technology/Computer Science Teacher

(The remaining positions will be tabled until the next board meeting)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:09 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Roland; second by Mrs. Harris.


Chairman


Secretary