

**SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CALLED MEETING**

**JULY 26, 2021**

**7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

The called 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 Kearse, Jim Reid and Sylvia Roland.

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

The agenda was unanimously approved on a motion by Mrs. Roland; second by Mr. Kearse.

Mrs. Hamilton made a motion; second by Mrs. Harris to allow students in grades 9-12 to return to school virtually until September 7, 2021 after completion of the new high school building; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mrs. Hamilton to accept the superintendent's recommendation to allow high school teachers to teach students virtually from home; second by Mr. Kearse; motion passed four in favor (Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Kearse, Ms. Bivins & Mrs. Harris); three opposed (Mr. Reid, Mr. Barnes & Mrs. Roland).

A motion was made at 9:28 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 by Mrs. Roland; second by Mr. Kearse at 9:56 p.m. to return to open session; motion carried unanimously.

The following personnel matters were unanimously approved as recommended by the committee:

Resignations

Kentrell Mercer  
Leon Carter  
Erica Reese  
Jeffery Hayes  
Ivey Palmer  
Leon Wilborn

Rescindment of Job Offer

Chris Berkelear

Transfers

Becky Schabeck  
Geneva Waters  
Willie Hooks

Employments

Kenneth Lanier  
Courtney Henderson

Employments (Con't)

Kenundria Wilbon  
Deborah Simpson  
Cathy Thomas  
Chantel Wright  
Erica Davis  
Jennie Pennington  
Pamela Frederick  
Angela Laster  
Sheryl Rush  
Annita Belcher  
Tracy Wilson  
Phyllis Lundy  
Labria Reynolds  
Laquintha Williams  
Doneyll Collins  
Genove Prince  
Shominque Mitchell  
Kristina Smith

FMLA's

Melissa Oliver  
Latonya Harvey

Long Term Substitutes

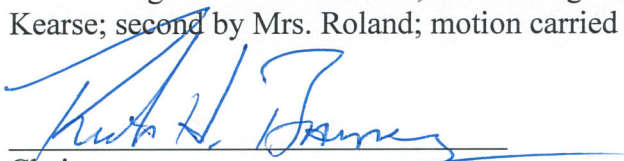
Helen Wilkins  
Joseph Oyeniya

Third Party Contracts

Kristen Wright  
Sandra Perry  
Janice Woodham

The personnel committee recommended Jo Ann Trujillo as a long-term substitute. The motion passed four in favor (Mrs. Hamilton, Ms. Bivins, Mrs. Harris & Mr. Kearse); three opposed (Mr. Barnes, Mr. Reid & Mrs. Roland).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:59 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Kearse; second by Mrs. Roland; motion carried unanimously.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary