**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2024**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a regular session on February 6, 2024, at 6:09 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administrative Office, 215 Kaigler Road. Mr. Willie Anderson, Chairman, presided.

**PRESENT:** Mr. Willie J. Anderson, Chairman; Mr. Jimmy Eleby, Vice Chairman, Mr. Larry Wilborn, and Ms. Sherri Hunter, Board members; and Mr. Jon-Erik Jones, School Superintendent.

**ABSENT:** Mrs. Christi Green

**CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING CEREMONY**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge.

A Moment of Silent was held for former Board Member, Mr. Billy Shirah Sr.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

On a motion by Mr. Wiborn and a second by Mr. Eleby the Board voted (3, 0), to approve the agenda with the necessary corrections. The motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Superintendent recommended approval of January 2, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Wiborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (3, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of February 3, 2024, Whole Board Training Meeting Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted (3, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & UPDATES**

Principal’s Report: No Report

Superintendent’s Report: The Superintendent updated the Board on the following items below:

1. School Level Updates
2. Whole Board Training Follow Up
3. New Hiring Site Demonstration
4. QCSD Police Department Update
5. BOE & Commissioners Meeting- Planning
6. Superintendent’s Leadership Network – PAGE (Will meet 4 times a year; July, October, January and April. The Board gave their consensus to allow the Superintendent to participate in the Leadership Network)
7. SpEd Director Spotlight Article
8. River Fest Announcement
9. Georgia Milestones Testing Update
10. Athletic Department Updates

**PERSONNEL (EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

The Superintendent recommended entering an executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (3, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

Ms. Sherri Hunter arrived at the Board Meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted (4, 0), to resume the 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.

The Superintendent recommended approval of Mrs. Bernita Brown, as Long Term Substitute to be retroactive to her 1st day. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**FINANCE**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Financial Report for January 2024. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Tax Collections for December 2023. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS**

Board Presentation by Globe Chemical was tabled.

The Superintendent recommended approval of Brown Heating and Cooling to repair the Gym AC in the amount of $26,891. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent provided the Board Updates on the Athletic Complex.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Field Trips:

Night to Shine Prom for SWD – February 9, 2024

PreK Students - Slime Lab – February 29, 2024

Fundraisers:

The Superintendent recommended approval of Country Meats Fundraiser sponsored by FBLA to take place February 2024 – March 31, 2024. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of a Valentine’s Bag Fundraiser sponsored by FBLA. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of a Job Fair Budget in the amount of $10,000. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to purchase a ColorPro Poster Maker System in the amount of $5,195.00. The Poster Maker will be purchased with Title I Funds. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to purchase two Garrett Metal Detectors in the amount of $4200 out of the Safety Grant Funds. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to add two additional Verizon Cellphone lines. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of My Benefit Channel for 75 employees in the amount of $3,564.00. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent provided the Board an update on the Surplus Sale. The procedures for the Surplus sale will be the same as the last sale that took place December 2022.

The Superintendent provided the Board a handout of the GSBA Legislative Positions.

The Superintendent provided the Board an Update on the State Board Rule for the Testing Program. There will be no policy; Quitman Count School District will follow the state’s statue as guidance.

The Superintendent provided the Board with an overview of the Open Meetings Act A brochure was given to each Board Member.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Regular Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Jimmy Eleby expressed to the Board after careful consideration he is resigning as the Vice Chairman for the Board. The nomination process of Vice Chairman was done by the Board Chairman, Mr. Anderson. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Ms. Hunter, the Board voted (4,0) for Mr. Larry Wilborn to serve as the Vice Chairman of the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Chairman Secretary