**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2021**

**CALLED MEETING**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a called session on March 16, 2021 at 5:00 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. Billy Shirah, Sr., Vice Chairman, Mr. Jimmy Eleby, Mrs. Christi Green, and Mr. Larry Wilborn; Board members; and Mrs. Victoria Harris, School Superintendent.

**ABSENT:** None.

**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**

On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to approve the Agenda. The motion passed.

**PERSONNEL (EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

The Superintendent recommended entering executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 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 (5, 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.

The Superintendent recommended approval of Mr. Jonathan Curry as the new School Principal effective, June 1, 2021. On a motion by Mr. Shirah and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Superintendent recommended approval to purchase an AngelTrax 3 Camera in the amount of $3,350.48 from the GSBA Safety Grant. 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 reviewed the Summer Transition Program and the salaries with the Board. She explained that the salaries had to be spent as presented according to the guidelines from Bright from the Start.

The Superintendent reviewed the 2021-2022 Budget Notebooks.

The Superintendent reviewed the Unofficial FY21 QBE Allotment. As soon as the Official Allotment is provided by the State, it will be shared with the Board.

The Superintendent shared the $1000.00 Bonus FAQ and discussed the CARES funding (2nd time). We are waiting for the State Board to approve the $1000 bonus, as well as waiting for a list of eligible employees based on the local CPI report. The Superintendent and Board discussed options for those not included on the list. The Superintendent recommended approval of the one-time bonus to teachers and school based staff pending approval from the State Board of Education and to include district employees. 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.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Spring Break is April 5– 9, 2021.

The next regular Board Meeting is April 13, 2021.

An in-person graduation is being planned with specific guidelines. A Virtual Option is a back up plan if there is a spike with the virus. Additional information will be given later.

We have about 90% of our total staff vaccinated with 65% of staff receiving the vaccinations on campus.

The Superintendent informed the Board that virtual instruction may take place the first 2-3 days after Spring Break. This is an effort to be proactive with the virus.

The Superintendent informed the Board that Summer School will be offered to specifically address reading and math due to this unprecedented year.

The Board Members completed their GSBA Summer Conference form as to whether they will attend virtually or face to face.

**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 (5, 0), to adjourn. The motion passed.

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Chairman Secretary