**Calhoun County Public Schools**

**Minutes of Special Called Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

**District Office Boardroom**

**March 3, 2025**

**Members Present**: Mr. Gary Porth, Chairperson; Mr. Kevin Jenkins, Vice Chairperson; Ms. Debra Fredrick, Secretary; Mr. Michael Diaz and Absent: Mr. Ned Nelson.

**Call to Order/Moment of Silence**: Mr. Porth, Chairperson, called the meeting to order, welcomed visitors and staff and asked everyone present to stand for a Moment of Silence and the "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag".

**Notice to the Media**: In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80-(E), as amended, the following have been notified of this meeting: The Calhoun Times; The Times and Democrat; The District Website and notices placed on the bulletin boards in all schools and the District Office.

**Approval of Agenda**: Ms. Fredrick moved, with a second by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the agenda as submitted. Passed unanimously.

**Board Policies**: Ms. Frances Keller, Director of Human Resources, presented the following Board Policies to the Board for First Reading, amendment and approval.

* Policy GBA Open Hiring/Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action
* Policy GBC Staff Compensation
* Policy GBE Staff Rights and Responsibilities
* Policy GBEB Staff Conduct
* Policy GBEBA Staff Dress Code
* Policy GBEBB Staff Conduct With Students
* Policy GBEBC Gifts To And Solicitations By Staff
* Policy GBEBDA Criminal Record Checks
* Policy GBEC Drug-Free Workplace
* Policy GBG Staff Welfare/Protection
* Policy GBGD Workers' Compensation
* Policy GBH Staff Participation In Community Activities
* Policy GBI Staff Participation In Political Activities
* Policy GBJ Personnel Records And Files
* Policy GC Professional Staff
* Policy GCA Professional Staff Positions
* Policy GCB Professional Staff Contracts and Compensation
* Policy GCBD Professional Staff Fringe Benefits
* Policy GCE Professional Staff Recruitment
* Policy GCEC Posting and Advertising of Professional Vacancies

Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to approve the First Reading of policies as presented by Ms. Keller. Passed unanimously.

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**Superintendent’s Report**: Mr. George Kiernan, Chief of Operations and Communications, presented two overnight field trip requests to the Board for approval. Mr. Kiernan said the Calhoun County High School Track Team would like to attend the Beach Run Invitational at Myrtle Beach on April 3, 2025 – April 6, 2025.

Ms. Fredrick moved, with a second by Mr. Diaz, to approve the Field Trip request as presented by Mr. Kiernan. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Kiernan presented a Field Trip request for the Sandy Run K-8 Symphonic Band to perform at the Six Flags Southern Music Festival in Atlanta, Georgia on April 11-12, 2025.

Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to approve the Field Trip request as presented by Mr. Kiernan. Passed unanimously.

**Executive Session:**  None

**Adjournment**: Ms. Fredrick moved, with a second by Mr. Jenkins, to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. Passed unanimously.

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Board of Trustees Secretary

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Date of Approval

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Kennedy

Executive Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent