**Calhoun County Public Schools**

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

**District Office**

**December 10, 2018**

**7:00 P.M**

**Members Present**: Mr. Gary Porth, Chairperson; Mr. Kevin Jenkins, Vice Chairperson; Ms. Debra Fredrick, Secretary; Mrs. Sandra Tucker, Mr. Ned Nelson.

1. **Call to Order/Moment of Silence**: Mr. Gary 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".

2. **Notice to the Media**: In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1985, Section 30-4-80-(e), as amended, the following have been notified of this meeting: The Calhoun Times; The Times and Democrat; notices placed on the bulletin boards in all schools and the District Office.

1. **Election of Officers**: Mr. Porth turned the meeting over to Dr. Steve Wilson, Superintendent, who opened the floor for nominations for Board Chairperson. Ms. Fredrick moved to nominate Mr. Porth as Board Chairperson. Mr. Nelson moved to close the nominations and elect Mr. Porth by acclamation. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Porth opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson. Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to nominate Mr. Jenkins as Board Vice Chairperson. Mrs. Tucker moved to close the nominations and elect Mr. Jenkins by acclamation. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Porth opened the floor for nominations for Board Secretary. Mrs. Tucker moved, with a second by Mr. Nelson, to nominate Mrs. Fredrick, as Board Secretary. Mr. Jenkins moved to close the nominations and elect Ms. Fredrick by acclamation. Passed unanimously.

4. **Approval of Agenda**: Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve the December 10, 2018 amended agenda to include County Infrastructure and Fee in Lieu under the Superintendent’s Report. Passed unanimously.

1. **Superintendent's Report**: Dr. Steve Wilson, Superintendent informed the Board that after hearing from the parents at the community town hall meeting on December 6, 2018, he decided to make concessions to the instructional time and keep it close to the traditional calendar. Dr. Wilson said he would like to thank the parents and the community for participating in the process. He also said that he plans to present to the Board the traditional 2019-2020 Academic Calendar. Mr. Porth asked that we wait until January 2019 to present the 2019-2020 Academic Calendar for approval.

Dr. Wilson presented the 2019 Legislative Platform and Position Statement to the Board for information.

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Dr. Wilson shared a draft copy of the 2019 Board Calendar for information. He added that the calendar will be presented at the December 17, 2018 regular Board Meeting as an action item.

Dr. Wilson spoke to the Board about Staff (teacher) Shortages and valuing our Staff and asked that a bonus be given to all teachers and staff.

Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick to approve the staff bonus as presented by the Superintendent. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Nelson asked Dr. Wilson if we have the available funds for the staff bonus. Dr. Wilson said there are funds available.

Dr. Wilson presented to the Board the Proposed Teacher Salary Schedule for 2019 – 2020 for information. He added that he will bring the salary schedule back to the Board when it is time to work on the district budget.

Mr. Mark Parker, Technology Director, shared with the Board that the Sandy Run Museum’s Board of Trustees sent a letter requesting if we would be able to donate technology/equipment to the museum. Mr. Parker said he has several items that the district is not using and would like to donate them to the Sandy Run Museum. He added that the District will not be maintaining the equipment. Dr. Wilson added that the District will be following the proper procedures and protocols for donating equipment to entities.

Mrs. Sky Strickland, Chief Financial Officer, spoke to the Board about Fiscal Autonomy Status and County Infrastructure and Fee in Lieu. She told the Board that today she attended the County Council meeting and they discussed fiscal autonomy. She said action was taken to approve Representative Ott’s pre-filing of the bill going to legislature if the District and County can agree on a FILOT agreement. The county has a couple of issues the board needs to agree on before action can be done on Fiscal Autonomy.

Dr. Wilson said this has been presented to County Council previously and they agreed unanimously and today it was taken in session as a formal vote to pre-file with legislation.

Dr. Wilson said he would like Mr. Ted Felder to attend the December Board meeting to clarify any questions the Board may have. He added that the District will proceed forward with Fiscal Autonomy.

6. **Executive Session**: Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to go into executive session to consider the Superintendent’s Evaluation and then return to open session at the completion of discussions. Passed unanimously.

Upon returning from Executive Session, Mr. Porth announced that the Board was back in open session.

7. **Executive Session Actions**: No actions were taken.

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8. **Adjournment**: Mr. Nelson, moved with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Passed unanimously.

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