**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF DECEMBER 8, 2020**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a regular session on December 8, 2020 at 6:00 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. Jimmy Eleby, Mrs. Christi Green, and Mr. Larry 0Wilborn; Board members; and Mrs. Victoria Harris, School Superintendent.

**ABSENT:** Mr. Billy Shirah, Sr., Vice Chairman.

**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**

The Agenda was unanimously approved (4, 0), on a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Superintendent recommended approval of November 2, 2020 Regular Board Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of November 4, 2020 Virtual Whole Board Training. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of December 2, 2020 GSBA/GSSA Virtual Board Training. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (3, 1), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. (Anderson, Eleby, and Wilborn voted yes, Green abstained.) The motion passed.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & UPDATES**

Asst. Supt. /Principal Jones gave brief school updates to the Board.

Mrs. Deirdre Brown and Mrs. Jasmine Green-Scott gave updates to the Board.

Mrs. Deirdre Brown and Mrs. Jasmine Green-Scott received recognition for being the December District Office Spotlights.

Superintendent Harris shared newspaper articles that appeared in the newspaper.

**PERSONNEL (EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

The Superintendent recommended entering executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 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 (4, 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. However, the Superintendent may have some recommendations resulting from the Executive Session.

The Superintendent recommended approval to accept the resignation of Mr. Charles Davis as the Security Resource Officer, effective December 18, 2020. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**FINANCE**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Financial Report for November 2020. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Tax Collections for October 2020. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of a “one time” bonus for all district staff. All certified staff will receive $300.00 and non-certified staff will receive $200.00. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS**

There were no items to present under Maintenance and Operations.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Superintendent recommended approval for the Board to accept the FY 2021 Title IV-B, 21st CCLC grant ($266,480 plus $84,627 carryover for the total of $351,107). On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent discussed the 2020 Graduation Rate.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of policies K, L, and M that had been on the table since November 2, 2020 Board Meeting. This is the last set of policies. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended the approval for the District to return to Phase I (Virtual Learning) after the Christmas Break (January 5th through February 16th). The District will have the autonomy to move the re-opening to March 22, 2021 if there is a need based on increased numbers with the virus. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Superintendent distributed the October and November Parent Newsletter to the Board.

The January Board Meeting will be held on January 5, 2021.

The Superintendent distributed the Board and Administrator Brochure.

The Superintendent said she’d like to thank Principal/Asst. Supt. Jones for the plastic desk shields.

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

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Chairman Secretary