**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF AUGUST 6, 2024**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**BUDGET HEARING #1**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a regular session on August 6, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administrative Office, 215 Kaigler Road. Mr. Willie Anderson, Chairman, presided.

**PRESENT:** Mr. Willie J. Anderson, Chairman; Mr. Larry Wilborn, Vice Chairman; Mr. Jimmy Eleby, Ms. Sherri Hunter and Mrs. Christi Green, Board members; and Mr. Jon-Erik Jones, 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 Mrs. Green the Board voted (5, 0), to approve the agenda. The motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Superintendent recommended approval of July 2, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. Mrs. Green and Ms. Hunter abstained. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of July 29, 2024, Called Board Meeting Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (3, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. Ms. Hunter and Mrs. Green abstained. The motion passed.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & UPDATES**

1. Superintendent’s Report:
President Todd of Columbus Tech presented two students construction certificates. The students are able to partipate in Columbus Tech December Commencement Program.

Mrs. Suwanda Coffey, Principal, shared updates on the first few days of school.

1. Budget Hearing #1

The FY25 proposed budget was reviewed. After review the Budget hearing was closed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of FY25 Budget. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**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 Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 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 the slate of S.O.A.R Employees provided to the Board. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of Ms. Terwarneisha Eleby as a substitute pending completion of training. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. Mr. Eleby abstained. The motion passed.

**FINANCE**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Financial Report for July 2024. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Tax Collections for June 2024. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended to advertise the District’s Millage Rate – 5 year history roll back rate of 13.830. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed. The millage rate will be advertised in the legal organ. Budget Hearing meeting #2 will take place on August 15th.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the District Salary Scales for 2024-2025. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS**

The Superintendent recommended approval of additional painting fees from Randy’s Painting in the amount of $1,300.00 On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of AC Repair from Albany Air for the Elementary Gymnasium in the amount of $6,519.25. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Superintendent provided the board an update on the Policy Review/Audit.

The Athletic Groundbreaking Ceremony will take place on August 12, 2024 @ 10:30 AM. Invites have been sent out to Local and State Offices.

The Superintendent recommended approval of 2024-25 Student Handbooks. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent provided the board an update on the Strategic Waiver.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Specialized Education agreement. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to purchase Time Clock Plus in the amount of $10,499. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Three guests present asked budget related questions. The guests was instructed to direct specific questions to the Superintendent

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Regular Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Budget Hearing #2 meeting will take place on August 15th.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With there being no other business to discuss, on a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green the Board voted (5, 0), to adjourn. The motion passed.

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Chairman Secretary