**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2023**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a regular session on March 7, 2023 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. Larry Wilborn, Vice Chairman, Mr. Jimmy Eleby, and Mrs. Christi Green, Board members; and Mr. Jon-Erik Jones, School Superintendent.

**ABSENT:** Ms. Sherri Hunter.

**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 (4, 0), to approve the agenda as printed. The motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Superintendent recommended approval of February 7, 2023, Regular Board Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of February 9, 2023, Joint Meeting minutes (Called) with the Q.C. Board of Commissioners. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & UPDATES**

The Principal’s Report was presented by Mrs. Deirdre Brown and Ms. Kimberly Parks. They presented school updates.

The Superintendent recognized Ms. Sekeithia Lewis as the District’s Employee of the month for March.

Additional recognitions included student spotlights, middle school team spotlights, and school board appreciation presentations.

**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 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 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 Ms. Keshaydra Cunningham’s resignation. 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 to replace Ms. Keisha Nelson with Demetria Harris as the girls track coach. 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 to replace Mr. Hugh Ellington with Mr. Christopher Wallace as the boys track coach, pending coaching certification. 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 February 2023. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Tax Collections for January 2023. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS**

The Superintendent provided the Board with updates on the school fencing.

The Superintendent recommended approval of an E-rate quote for server upgrades. The approved e-rate amount is $18,532.14 and the district portion will be $2,779.82. 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 provided the Board updates on needed roof repairs.

The Superintendent recommended approval of a school LED Marquee sign in the amount of $27,509.80 from Mega Technology (funded by ESSEA). 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 2 plug-ins for attendance & reporting to enhance the usage of Powerschool ($1550 each, $800 for 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 provided the Board with updates on the Budget Planning timeline.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the senior class sponsoring a St. Patrick Day Green Party on March 17th. 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 Senior Class trip to Orlando, Florida, March 29 – April 2. Ms. Demetria Harris will be the lead chaperone. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent asked to add an additional item to the agenda and the Board gave unanimous consent.

The Superintendent recommended approval of option #1 2023-2024 School Calendar. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (4, 0) to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There was 1 public comment from an audience member.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Superintendent informed the Board that the Board and Administrator brochure would be provided later.

The next Regular Board Meeting is April 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

**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