

**Calhoun County Public Schools**  
**Minutes of the Board of Trustees**  
**Calhoun County High School/Live Stream**  
**July 18, 2022**  
**Dr. Ferlondo Tullock, Superintendent**

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

**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".

**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:** Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve the agenda as submitted. Passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:** Ms. Fredrick moved, with a second by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the minutes of June 13, 2022 and June 23, 2022, as submitted. Passed unanimously.

**Chairperson's Report:** none

**Financial Report:** None

**Superintendent's Report:** Mr. George Kiernan, Chief of Human Resources and Operations, shared with the Board the Facility Updates. Mr. Kiernan said he spoke to Josh from Edcon and he has ordered the window square replacement for the Gym at Sandy Run K-8 School and will send information regarding cleaning and capping the walls. Mr. Kiernan said the seal coating project at St. Matthews K-8 School was completed today. He said the digital sign bids have closed and he will complete reference checks this week. Mr. Kiernan told the Board that the HVAC retro fit requires a mechanical engineer per OSF and the bid will close on August 4. Mr. Kiernan said the speaker project for the football field and gym is out for bids and will close on August 2.

Mr. Kiernan presented Policy EBCB Safety Drills/Assessment for 2nd reading and amendment.

Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to approve Policy EBCB Safety Drills/Assessment for 2nd reading and amendment. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Kiernan presented Policy GDD – Support Staff Vacations and Holidays for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and amendment.

Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to approve Policy GDD – Support Staff Vacations and Holidays for 2nd reading and amendment. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Mark Parker, Director of Technology, presented a Technology Update to the Board. He said that the computers at each media center and lab have been refreshed with new computers. He

said the computers that were removed were used to put at least one computer in each classroom. Mr. Parker said that new computers are already being deployed to teachers, administration offices, the school offices and the District Office. Mr. Parker told the Board that the sound system at Calhoun County High School Gymnasium and football field are being updated. Mr. Parker told the Board that he is looking into online registration for the students and also a system that will allow the teacher to monitor students' laptops in the classroom.

Dr. Tullock shared with the Board the Student Start Dates and Times for the upcoming school year. He said on August 8, 2022, the staff will return. Dr. Tullock said the students will return on August 15, 2022. He said the two K-8 Schools will open the doors for students at 7:20 A.M. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays the instructional day will begin at 8:00 A.M.- 3:00 PM. On Tuesdays, the hours will be 8:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. He said the high school will open the doors for students at 7:30 a.m. and the instructional day will begin at 8:00 A.M. – 3:15 P.M. On Tuesdays, the hours will be 8:00 A.M. – 1:15 P.M. Dr. Tullock told the Board that for the month of May, the students will not have early release on Tuesdays for staff development due to students taking the student assessment tests. This will allow extra time for the students to take the test and not feel rushed. Dr. Tullock said he is going to ask parents to not use the early dismissal 30 minutes prior to the normal dismissal time. This will make the normal dismissal time run smoothly and efficiently.

Dr. Tullock shared with the Board the Registration and Open House Dates and Times for each school.

- St. Matthews K-8 School: Registration August 2 & 3 – 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P. M.  
Open House: August 31, 2022 – 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
- Sandy Run K-8 School: Registration August 4 - 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P. M. and  
August 5 - 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.  
Open House: August 11, 2022 – 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
- Calhoun County High School: Registration August 9 & 10 – 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.  
Open House: August 25, 2022 – 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Dr. Tullock talked to the Board about Clear Bag Mandates for Athletics. Dr. Tullock said all students, guests and visitors will be required to use clear bags at athletic events. He added that while clear bookbags are not currently being mandated, he strongly encourages the parents to use clear bags for their children. He said the clear bags help parents see what is being brought to school as well as allowing the school staff to see what is in the bookbags.

Dr. Tullock asked the Board for approval to send a letter of request to Calhoun County Transportation Commission for signs to be placed in four locations across the county to recognize the Calhoun County High School Boys' Basketball Teams and Coach Zambolist Fredrick for the years of past championships.

Nr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the Superintendent to send a letter to the Calhoun County Transportation Commission requesting that four signs be placed across the county to recognize the past Calhoun County Basketball Championships. Passed unanimously.


**Public Participation:** None

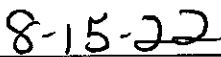
**Executive Session:** Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to go into Executive Session to consider Personnel, Recommendation(s) and Resignation(s), and then return to open session at the completion of discussions. Passed unanimously.

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

**Board Action(s):** Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve the Personnel, Recommendation(s) and Resignation(s) as presented by the Superintendent. Passed unanimously.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick and Mrs. Tucker, to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. Passed unanimously.

  
Board of Trustees Secretary

  
Date of Approval

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pamela Kennedy, Executive Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent