**Calhoun County Public Schools**

**Minutes of Work Session and Regular Scheduled Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

**District Office**

**October 15, 2018**

**6:30/7:30 P.M**

*A work session was held with the Board prior to the Regular Board Meeting. Dr. Meghan Walker, Executive Director with the South Carolina State Ethics Commission, presented a PowerPoint Presentation of the updated requirements and regulations regarding filing the annual Statement of Economic Interests Form.*

**Members Present**: Mr. Gary Porth, Chairperson; Mr. Kevin Jenkins, Vice Chairperson; Mrs. 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.

3. **Approval of Agenda**: Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve the amended agenda to include Superintendent’s Evaluation under Executive Session as submitted. Passed unanimously.

4. **Approval of Minutes**: Mrs. Fredrick moved, with a second by Mr. Nelson, to approve the minutes of September 24, 2018, as submitted. Passed unanimously. (Copy attached.)

5. **Public Participation:** No one signed up to speak to the Board.

6. **Chairperson's Report**: No Report

7. **Finance**: Mrs. Sky Strickland, Chief Financial Officer, presented the September 2018 Monthly Financial Report for Board consideration.

Mrs. Strickland informed the Board that in September 2018, we received 17% of General Fund Budgeted Revenue and expended 20% of the General Fund Budgeted Expenditures and encumbered 61% of the remaining General Fund Budgeted Expenditures which totals 81%. She added that we have collected $274,000.00 in current taxes which is 5% of the current tax budget and $58,000.00 in delinquent taxes.

Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the Monthly Financial Report for September 2018. Passed unanimously.

Mrs. Sky Strickland, Chief Financial Officer, presented the September 2018 Budget Adjustments for Board consideration.

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Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mrs. Fredrick, to approve the Budget Adjustments for September 2018. Passed unanimously.

Mrs. Strickland informed the Board that the 2017 – 2018 school year audit report will be presented at the November Board Meeting.

8. **Superintendent's Report**: Mr. George Kiernan, Human Resources Director, presented the following Board Policies and Administrative Rules for Board consideration

* Policy IJNDB - Use of Technology Resources in Instruction – Amended
* AR IJNDB-R - Use of Technology Resources in Instruction – Amended
* Policy JKE - Expulsion of Students – Will be brought forth at a later date
* ARJKE-R - Expulsion of Students – Will be brought forth at a later date
* Policy EB - Environmental and Safety Program – Amended
* Policy EBCB - Safety Drills – Amended
* Policy GBEBB Staff Conduct with Students – Amended
* Policy JKD – Suspension of Students – Amended
* AR JKD-R – Suspension of Students – Amended
* Policy JICDA Code of Conduct – Amended
* AR JICDA-R Code of Conduct – Amended
* Policy IKFC - South Carolina High School Credential – 1st Reading

Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Fredrick, to approve Policy IKFC - South Carolina High School Credential for first reading.

* AR IKFC-R - South Carolina High School Credential – 1st Reading

Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve AR IKFC-R - South Carolina High School Credential for first reading.

Mr. George Kiernan, Compliance Officer, updated the Board with Facility Updates. He said that the schools will conduct the Great Southeast Shakeout (earthquake drill) on October 18th. He said all the HVAC units are working at all schools and bid closing for resurfacing the track at Calhoun County High School is scheduled for Wednesday of this week. Mr. Kiernan added that playground tarps were removed due to the threat of a hurricane and will be replaced soon.

Mr. Nelson asked if the track is required to have 8 lanes. Dr. Wilson said it does not, but that most tracks now have 8 lanes. Dr. Wilson said that it would not be a problem to add the lanes when finances permit at a later date.

Mrs. C. Murdaugh, Chief Academic Officer and Ms. Cynthia Johnson, Chief of Accountability and Administration, presented to the Board a PowerPoint presentation regarding the State Assessment Data Results update for 2017-2018 school year. They informed the Board on the following assessments: SC Ready, SCPASS, and End of Year Course. The data showed a comparison between the district data and the State Data. Mrs. Murdaugh and Ms. Johnson reported that students are close in “meeting and exceeds” with the State, but must improve in

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all areas. They concluded the presentation with strategies that the District and schools have put in place to foster and drive instruction.

Mr. Ferlondo Tullock, Deputy Superintendent, updated the Board on cancelled school vs. make up-days due to the recent hurricanes.

Dr. Wilson updated the Board on the Sandy Run Field Trip to Orlando request. He said he wants to make sure this trip is feasible. He told the Board that they have information regarding the trip and reminded them this trip was approved earlier to allow them to work on fund-raisers. He added that he has scheduled a meeting with Mrs. Goodwin, Principal, and Mr. Kevin Piner, Choral Teacher, to see what has been accomplished in the planning and if the trip will be allowed. He further added that he will update the Board on the findings.

Mr. Nelson expressed concern that he does not want any student not to be able to go on the trip based on the cost of the trip.

9. **Executive Session**: Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mr. Nelson, to go into executive session to consider Legal: Infrastructure Contract and Compensation, Parent vs. Teacher Allegations, Personnel: Recommendation(s) & Resignation(s) and Superintendent’s Evaluation and then to 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.

10. **Executive Session Actions**: Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mr. Nelson, to approve the Superintendent’s recommendations for employment and resignations. Passed unanimously.

11. **Adjournment**: Mr. Jenkins, moved with a second by Mrs. Fredrick, to adjourn at 9:43 p.m. Passed unanimously.

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Board Secretary

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