**QUITMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**GEORGETOWN, GEORGIA**

**MINUTES OF OCTOBER 4, 2022**

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Quitman County Board of Education met in a regular session on October 4, 2022 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, Mrs. Christi Green, and Ms. Sherri Hunter, 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 unanimously (5, 0), to approve the Agenda as printed. The motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Superintendent recommended approval of September 6, 2022, Regular Board Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & UPDATES**

Superintendent Jones gave the principal’s report in the absence of Principal Curry. Custodian week, new game room and 9-weeks updates were provided. Superintendent Jones also shared pictures and introduced Mrs. Ethelyn Lumpkin and Ms. Lakaisha Bonner (2 new counselors), along with Mrs. Nettie Harris, high school science teacher.

Superintendent Jones presented October spotlights (students & parents).

The Superintendent acknowledged Mrs. Shirley Gilbert, the October District Person of the Month.

The Superintendent informed the Board that a Board Retreat needs to be scheduled. He will do a follow-up with the Board Members to get their input.

Superintendent Jones will work with the Board to prepare for the Superintendent’s Evaluation.

Superintendent Jones will host 2 sessions of the Superintendent’s Community Conversations on October 11th (11:00 a.m. in the Boardroom, and 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Gym). (The 11:00 a.m. session has changed to 1:00 p.m. due to the Governor visiting our town.)

Superintendent Jones shared newspaper ads with the Board.

**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 (5, 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 (5, 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.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of Ms. Latonia Marshall as part-time food service worker. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to terminate the Security Resource Officer contract with the Quitman County Sheriff/County Commissioners’ Office. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to re-establish the Quitman County School’s police department and transfer the Security Resource Officer from an employee of the Sheriff’s department to the School District. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to hire a paraprofessional for Pre-K/Kindergarten. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**FINANCE**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Financial Report for September 2022. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the Tax Collections for August 2022. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS**

The Superintendent recommended approval of a roof repair quote from Jody Usry with Edifice Consulting, Inc., for $2,450. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent shared a new layout of the athletic complex and recommended approval of the Bond financing timeline. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval to work with a team to prepare and plan the Fall Surplus Sale. On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Superintendent recommended approval of the current Public Participation procedures to satisfy SB 588 Rules of Conduct for Board Meetings (this is done annually). On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mrs. Green, the Board voted unanimously (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent recommended approval of the following fundraisers and field trips:

Trunk or Treat, Costume Party & Hayride for the Senior Class/FBLA on October 27th; On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

Middle & High School Basketball fundraiser (Athletic snack store) pending compliance with wellness guidelines; 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.

Jr. Class Scream-o-Grams; On a motion by Mr. Eleby and a second by Mr. Wilborn, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

Sr. Class Pay for your Day Calendar; On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

Softball Team Carwash on October 21st; 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.

FBLA Fall Leadership Conference (overnight) in Athens, GA on November 16th & 17th, funded by CTAE & FBLA program. On a motion by Mr. Wilborn and a second by Mr. Eleby, the Board voted (5, 0), to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation. The motion passed.

The Superintendent informed the Board of the following activities:

Pre-K & K to the Pumpkin Patch, October 19th or 21st

4th & 5th Graders to Zoo Atlanta – December 15th

Stewart County Homecoming Parade – October 20th

Spanish Class to El Jalisco on November 2nd

1st & 2nd Grades PE Class to Trampoline Park on October 12th

Alabama State FAMU on November 12th (pending federal funding)

The Superintendent had a discussion with Board centered around the upcoming Graduation Rate.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A guest asked a question about the Annual Title I meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mrs. Mattie Johnson-Crocker shared information concerning the upcoming GSBA Conference.

The Superintendent shared the Board and Administrator Brochures with the Board.

The Superintendent informed the Board about a Trauma 101 4-hr training on October 13th at the School.

The next Regular Board Meeting is November 1, 2022, 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 (5, 0), to adjourn. The motion passed.

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Chairman Secretary