CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Thursday, April 18, 2019

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
7:00 p.m.

The Cherokee County Board of Education called its regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 18, 2019 in the School Board Auditorium at the Dr. Frank R. Petruzielo Educational Services Facility, 1205 Bluffs Parkway, Canton, Georgia. Present were: School Board Chair Kyla Cromer; Vice-Chair Kelly Poole; Members Mike Chapman, John Harmon, Patsy Jordan, Clark Menard and Robert Rechsteiner; Superintendent Dr. Brian V. Hightower; and, Attorney Tom Roach.

Call to Order

The call to order by Kyla Cromer was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, led by Woodstock High School student Blake Adkins.

A brief inspirational story was shared by Patsy Jordan.

Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Mike Chapman seconded by Kelly Poole and carried, the Board unanimously adopted the Superintendent's recommended agenda *(7-0 vote)*.

Minutes for Approval

On a motion by Patsy Jordan seconded by Clark Menard and carried, the Board approved the minutes from the March 21, 2019 School Board Meeting *(7-0 vote)*.

Consent Agenda

Following identification of those agenda items, Board Members and members of the public indicated they would like considered separately, a motion was made by Clark Menard seconded by Robert Rechsteiner and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda, for the remaining items - identified by asterisks *(7-0 vote)*.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Four members of the public signed up to address the School Board.

A. RESOLUTIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PARTNERSHIPS

A-1. School Board Recognition of 2019 Spelling Bee Winners

(Recognized)

A-2. School Board Recognition of Free Home Elementary School Fifth-Grader Katie Rickert as First-Place Statewide Winner of the Daughters of the American Revolution's American History Essay Contest

(Recognized)

A-3. School Board Recognition of Cherokee High School Sophomore Rebekah Seng as Congressional Award Silver Medal Recipient

(Recognized)

A-4. School Board Recognition of Teasley Middle School Teacher Scott Reece LEGO Master Education Program Ambassador

(Recognized)

A-5. School Board Recognition of 2018-19 Cherokee County School District Elementary School, Middle School and High School Reading Bowl First-Place Winners

(Recognized)

A-6. School Board Recognition of Clark Creek ES STEM Academy Media Specialist Lisa Boysen as a Common Sense Media Educator

(Recognized)

A-7. School Board Recognition of CCSD Student Achievement at Tome Student Literacy Society State Conference/Competition

(Recognized)

A-8. School Board Recognition of 2018-19 Piedmont Regional & Georgia State Technology Competition Champions

(Recognized)

A-9. School Board Recognition of Georgia High School Association State and Regional Champions

(Recognized)

A-10. School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District 2019 Counselors of the Year and Innovation Zone Counselors of the Year

(Recognized)

A-11. School Board Recognition of Woodstock HS Teacher Loretta Muise as Georgia Council of Teachers of Mathematics' 2019 High School Teacher of Excellence

(Recognized)

A-12. School Board Recognition of E.T. Booth MS Teacher Kara Reeder as a 2019 Georgia STEM Scholar

(Recognized)

***A-13. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Approve Partnership Agreement with East West Bank**

(Approved)

B. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS/STUDENT ADVISOR TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

School Board Member Comments:

- Appreciated well-spoken arguments made by members of the public
- Commented on relevant social and emotional learning topics presented at the recent National School Board Conference (NSBA)
- Recognized Etowah High School for their recent drama performance

C. SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES

D. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

***D-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of March 2019 Financial Report and Sales Tax Update**

(Approved)

E. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

***E-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Out of State Travel**

(Approved)

***E-2. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Out of State Travel and Overnight Field Trips**

(Approved)

F. SUPPORT SERVICES

***F-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Update on Capital Outlay Projects**

(Approved)

***F-2. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Special Lease Agreements**

(Approved)

G. HUMAN RESOURCES

***G-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Recommendations, Resignations, Terminations of Employment and Transfers for Certified and Classified Personnel**

(Approved)

H. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY

School Board Attorney Comments:

- Reminded School Board Members to submit required documentation for training

I. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

***I-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Proposed Modification to the Superintendent's Organizational Chart for SY2019-20 & SY2020-21**

(Approved)

Informational Items

- Financial Considerations/Additional One-Half Mil
- AdvancED STEM Certification
- CCSD Middle School STEM Day – May 3, 2019
- Senior Capstone Redesign

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by Patsy Jordan and carried to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss a Student Discipline Matter (O.C.G.A. Section 20-2-757) at 8:46 p.m. *(7-0 vote).*

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by Clark Menard and carried to return to Open Session at 9:03 p.m. *(7-0 vote).*

Motion was made by John Harmon, seconded by Robert Rechsteiner and carried to Uphold the Findings and Disposition of the Discipline Tribunal panel for Tribunal #19-153151, *(7-0 vote*).

The School Board adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

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School Board Chair Secretary

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AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned members of the Cherokee County Board of Education, under oath, certify that an Executive Session of the Board of Education was duly called and approved by majority vote in open session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §50-14-4 on 4/18/2019. The only matter(s) considered or discussed during the closed executive session of its meeting is/are as checked below:

X To review an appeal from a Student Disciplinary Tribunal [Hearing Officer, Panel]; (O.C.G.A. Section 20-2-757)

_____ To consider a matter involving the disclosure of personally identifiable information from a student's educational records; (20 U.S.C. Section 1232g.)

_____ To discuss the future acquisition of real estate; (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (4))

_____ To discuss or deliberate upon appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee; (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (6))

_____ To consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the school district or an officer or employee or in which the officer or employee may be directly involved; (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-2).

The members of the Board Of Education present for the executive session further certify and acknowledge that all discussions and proceeding conducted in executive session shall remain strictly confidential.

This 18 day of April, 2019.

Renee Coleman

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the above indicated date:

Notary Public
My Commission Expires: Dec 6, 2021

RENEE COLEMAN NOTARY PUBLIC CHEROKEE COUNTY, GEORGIA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES DECEMBER 06, 2021

Kyle Cromer

Kelly Poore

Daisy Jordan