CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Thursday, February 13, 2020

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, February 13, 2020 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 John Harmon, Patsy Jordan, Clark Menard and Robert Rechsteiner; Superintendent Dr. Brian V. Hightower; and, Attorney Tom Roach. School Board Member Mike Chapman was not in attendance.

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 Avery Elementary School student Ansleigh Estep.

A brief inspirational story was shared by Patsy Jordan.

Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Kelly Poole seconded by Patsy Jordan and carried, the Board unanimously adopted the Superintendent's recommended agenda (*6-0 vote).*

Minutes for Approval

On a motion by Clark Menard seconded by John Harmon and carried, the Board approved the minutes from the January 16, 2020 School Board Meeting *(6-0 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 Patsy Jordan seconded by Kelly Poole and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda, for the remaining items - identified by asterisks (*6-0 vote).*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

A. RESOLUTIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PARTNERSHIPS

A-1. School Board Recognition of Students' Academic Achievement with the 2020 Yes I Can Awards

(Recognized)

A-2. School Board Recognition of Mill Creek Middle School Teacher Ann-Margaret Somers -- Selected as 2019-20 Teacher Fellows by the Northrop Grumman Foundation and National Science Teaching Association (NSTA)

(Recognized)

A-3. School Board Recognition of Woodstock High School Junior Thomas Arntzen for Achieving a Perfect ACT Score

(Recognized)

A-4. School Board Recognition of 2019-20 STAR Students and STAR Teachers

(Recognized)

A-5. School Board Recognition of Woodstock High School Athletic Director Chris Bennett as Region 4-7A Athletic Director of the Year

(Recognized)

A-6. School Board Recognition of 2019-20 Middle School County Academic Bowl Team Champions Freedom Middle School

(Recognized)

A-7. School Board Recognition of Etowah High School Senior Faith Ediae-Holly -- Georgia HOSA State President

(Recognized)

A-8. School Board Recognition of Etowah High School Senior Savannah Bray -- 2019-20 Gatorade Georgia Volleyball Player of the Year

(Recognized)

***A-9. School Board Approval of a Resolution Recognizing February 25, 2020 as "PTA Day in the Cherokee County School District"**

(Approved)

***A-10. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Approve Renewal of Partnership Agreements with Optimists and Georgia Commute Schools**

(Approved)

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

***B-1. School Board Approval of Application for Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA) Governance Team Recognition - - Exemplary Board Level III**

(Approved)

B-2. School Board Approval of Delegate and Alternate for 2020 Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA) Delegate Assembly

(Approved)

Motion was made by Patsy Jordan, seconded by Kelly Poole and carried to nominate Robert Rechsteiner as Delegate for 2020 Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA) Delegate Assembly *(6-0 vote)*.

Motion was made by Patsy Jordan, seconded by Clark Menard and carried to nominate John Harmon as Alternate for 2020 Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA) Delegate Assembly *(6-0 vote)*.

C. SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES

D. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

***D-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of January 2020 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 and Overnight Field Trips**

(Approved)

F. SUPPORT SERVICES

***F-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Georgia Department of Transportation Land Purchase and Permanent Construction Easement Offer**

(Approved)

***F-2. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of the Monthly Update on Capital Outlay Projects**

(Approved)

***F-3. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of the Special Lease Agreements**

(Approved)

F-4. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Proposals for the Construction of the New Sequoyah High School Healthcare Science Lab

(Approved)

Motion was made by Patsy Jordan, seconded by Kelly Poole and carried to Approve the proposal from Albion Scaccia Enterprises, LLC for the Construction of Sequoyah HS Healthcare Science lab *(6-0 vote)*.

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:

- School Board Training Plan to Complete SY2019-20

I. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

***I-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of SY2019-20 Attendance Area Map Correction**

(Approved)

Informational Items:

- Update on Current Topics
  - High School Graduation Ceremonies
  - School Board Meeting Dates SY2020-21
  - Technology Plan
  - Stop Arm Camera Pilot Beginning Spring 2020
  - SEL Parent University for Each Innovation Zone
  - Reviewing Attendance Zones for Special Needs Students to Align with Home Feeder pattern
- Reminders: CCSD Job Fair and CCEF Gala on March 7th

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 8:13 p.m. *(6-0 vote)*.

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by John Harmon and carried to exit Executive Session at 8:29 p.m. *(6-0 vote)*.

Motion was made by Clark Menard, seconded by Patsy Jordan and carried to return to Open Session at 8:30 p.m. *(6-0 vote)*.

Motion was made by Patsy Jordan, seconded by Kelly Poole and carried to Uphold the findings and Disposition of the Discipline Tribunal Panel for Tribunal #19-142443 *(6-0 vote)*.

The School Board adjourned at 8:36 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 2/13/2020. 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 13 day of Feb, 2020.

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

Kyla Cromer

Kelly Poole