

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
ANNISTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Monday, June 25, 2018 ~5:00 p.m.

The Anniston City Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, June 25, 2018, in the Board Room of the Central Office, 4804 McClellan Boulevard. The members present included the following: Mr. Robert Houston, Mrs. Joan Frazier, Dr. Mary Harrington and Mrs. Trudy Munford. Mrs. Rebecca Brown was absent. President Houston called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Mr. Joshua Clark, Instructional Aide at Anniston High School, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Charles E. Gregory, Principal of Anniston High School, led the group in prayer.

Superintendent Douthitt recognized and welcomed all guests.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Superintendent Douthitt recommended approval of the agenda as amended and presented.

A motion was made by Mrs. Frazier and seconded by Dr. Harrington to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

This motion was approved 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the minutes from the Special Called Session on May 10, 2018, Regular Session on May 22, 2018 and Special Called Session on June 7, 2018.

A motion was made by Mrs. Munford and seconded by Mrs. Frazier to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

The motion was approved 4-0.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Personnel Recommendations (ADDENDUM)

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the personnel recommendations as amended and presented.

A motion was made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Frazier to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

The motion was approved 4-0.

B. Financial Report and Check Register Accountability Report

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the financial report for March and April 2018.

A motion was made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Frazier to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

Before the vote, Mrs. Frazier commented that she wanted to thank Mr. Thompson and everyone who worked on the financial report. Mrs. Munford asked Mr. Thompson to explain the improvements. Mr. Thompson stated that if you look at the comparisons for the previous year, you can see the improvement in the spending. He further stated that the deficit is improving because we are eating away at the debt. Mrs. Munford then asked if we were to cut back in the local fund, would that help with the deficit? Mr. Thompson replied that the

money being used to decrease the deficit is already coming from local funds. He further stated that he would be glad to address any questions and explain further during a work session.

The motion was approved 4-0.

C. Field Trip

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the field trip as presented for the AHS Annabelles.

A motion was made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Frazier to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

Before the vote, Mrs. Frazier asked if this was a competition or a camp. Superintendent Douthitt replied that he believes it is a competition/camp held at Auburn University.

The motion was approved 4-0.

D. Text Book Adoption Spanish

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the textbook adoption.

The motion was made by Mrs. Munford and seconded by Dr. Harrington to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

The motion was approved 4-0.

Superintendent's Update

- Saluted Mr. Sturkie and all the staff who supported the STEM camp
- Saluted Coach Brown for the basketball games being played during lunch time hour
- Discussed his meeting with the former mayor, David Dethrage and Mr. Gregory

- ***Former Mayor, Dethrage, addressed the Board and stated he wanted to start a group to help with campus beautification.***

The Board Speaks

- Mrs. Frazier welcomed the new employees. She thanked Mr. Dethrage for coming forward to discuss the grounds of AHS. She also wanted to schedule dates for the Joint Meeting w/ the City Council and the Work Session.
- **Work Session scheduled for July 9, 2018 @10:00 a.m.**
- Mrs. Munford welcomed the new employees and stated she was looking forward to working together with the former Mayor. She further stated that we also need to work together to get the reading levels where they need to be. She stated we need to get these kids ready to compete anywhere in the world. Let's work together to give these children a chance.
- Dr. Harrington stated she is ready to move forward and work for the children in these next two years. She also stated that she's in the schools a lot to check on her prized possessions and will help the teachers in any way she can.
- Mr. Houston stated he is perplexed about why we always talk about twenty years ago and thirty years ago. He asked "What has changed to make us do right now?" He further states that accountability is missing. We need to have some things lined up. It's going to be a different year.

INFORMATION ITEMS

No informational items

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Munford, the Board adjourned. The vote was unanimous to adjourn at 5:55 p.m.

Approved: August 16, 2018

Robert Houston, President

Darren Douthitt, Superintendent