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**First Budget Hearing and Special Called Session Minutes  
Anniston City Board Of Education**

**Thursday September 6, 2018 12:00 noon**

The Anniston City Board of Education met in a Special Called Session on Thursday September 6, 2018, in the Board Room of the Central Office, 4804 McClellan Boulevard. The members present included the following: Mr. Robert Houston, Mrs. Joan Frazier, Mrs. Rebecca Brown, Dr. Mary Harrington and Mrs. Trudy Munford. President Houston called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Mr. Jimmie Thompson III, Chief School Financial Officer, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

Superintendent Douthitt welcomed all guests.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the Approval of the Agenda as presented.

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

The motion was approved 5-0

**Anniston City Board of Education FY 19 First Budget Hearing**

**A.** Mr. Jimmie Thompson III, Chief School Financial Officer

Mr. Thompson presented the budget information in detail. He explained how to read the budget reports.

**B.** Board and Public Comments

Several comments were made by the public about understanding the report and Mr. Thompson gave positive feedback about how the report was broken

down and explained how to know what fund source the money is coming from for different areas. He further explained that he welcomed the feedback so he could prepare his budget report so everyone would understand it.

Ms. Carter then asked about the \$300,000 that the city was supposed to give the schools. Mr. Thompson stated that \$170,000 had been spent on the new chrome books, software and bags. Attorney Stewart then asked what happened to the rest of the money. Mr. Thompson stated they never received it. Attorney Stewart then asked Superintendent Douthitt what happened to the donor who promised to give the matching money for computers. Superintendent Douthitt stated he was ready and willing to work with him on the Capital Campaign. Attorney Stewart stated he had donors who were willing to assist but they never heard back from the Superintendent. Attorney Stewart asked about the Virtual Learning Centers that were installed in the schools. Superintendent Douthitt explained that they are being used and he would be happy to take him over to view them. Mrs. Frazier asked if we could have more communication about this later and Attorney Stewart asked for it in writing.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. Personnel Recommendations**

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

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

Before the vote, Mrs. Frazier stated that she couldn't support item #2 and Dr. Harrington asked if we could remove item #2 from the recommendation. The Superintendent recommended the approval of the personnel recommendations without item #2.

The motion was approved 5-0.

### **B. Field Trip**

Superintendent Douthitt recommended approval of the field trip as presented.

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

The motion was approved 5-0.

**C. Added Supplements for 2018-2019 (Highlighted)**

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the added 2018-2019 Supplements as presented.

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

Before the vote, Mrs. Frazier asked if #2 was vacant before and the Superintendent replied, "Yes."

The motion was approved 5-0.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. Next Budget Hearing ~September 13, 2018-5:00pm

B. District 6 Meeting ~September 17, 2018 6:00pm-8:30pm, Classic On Noble

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Frazier, the Board adjourned. The vote was unanimous to adjourn at 1:15 p.m.

Approved: December 20, 2018

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Robert Houston, President

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Darren Douthitt, Superintendent

