CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Thursday, January 19, 2017

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, January 19, 2017 in the Historic Canton High School/School Board Auditorium, 110 Academy Street, Canton, Georgia. Present were: School Board Chair Kyla Cromer; Vice-Chairman Patsy Jordan; Members Mike Chapman, John Harmon, Clark Menard, Kelly Poole 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 Creekview HS student Parker Quarles.

Kyla Cromer provided a brief inspiration.

Swearing-in Ceremony

School Board Chair Kyla Cromer and School Board Members Kelly Poole and Patsy Jordan were sworn in by Probate Judge Keith Wood.

Organizational Meeting

School Board Attorney Tom Roach presided over a brief organizational meeting for the selection of the 2017 School Board Vice-Chair. Mike Chapman was selected as School Board Vice-Chair.

Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Mike Chapman, seconded by Clark Menard 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 Kelly Poole and carried, the Board approved the minutes from the December 1, 2016 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 John Harmon, seconded by Mike Chapman and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda, for the remaining items - identified by asterisks *(7-0 vote)*.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public signed up to address the School Board.

A. RESOLUTIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PARTNERSHIPS

A-1. Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District for Annual AP District Honor Roll Recognition

(Recognized)

A-2. Board Recognition of Five CCSD Schools as National Common Sense Digital Citizenship Certified Schools and Nine CCSD Educators as National Common Sense Digital Citizenship Certified Educators

(Recognized)

A-3. Board Recognition of Cherokee HS Senior Julia Kochansky, Creekview HS Senior Kelly Hart and River Ridge HS Senior Anabelle Paulino for being Named National Hispanic Scholars by the College Board

(Recognized)

A-4. Board Recognition of Georgia School Public Relations Association (GSPRA) Publication Awards

(Recognized)

A-5. Board Recognition of CCSD Bus Driver Brianna McNeese for Life-Saving Actions

(Recognized)

***A-6. Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Approve Renewal of Partnership Agreement with Cherokee County Board of Commissioners**

(Approved)

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

***B-1. Board Adoption of Georgia Education Coalition (GEC) 2017 Legislative Priorities**

(Approved)

B-2. Board Adoption of School Board Member Compensation Resolution

(Approved)

Motion was made by Mike Chapman, seconded by Clark Menard and carried to Adopt a School Board Member Compensation Resolution *(7-0 vote).*

One member of the public addressed the School Board relative to Agenda Item B-2.

- **Board Member Comments:**
  - **Letters from Mill Creek MS Students**
  - **Learning Management System (Canvas)**
  - **Inclement Weather – Decision Video and Responses to Students**

C. SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES

***C-1. Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Amended School Board Policy Regarding Student Records (JR) <u>on First Reading</u>**

(Approved)

D. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

***D-1. Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of November 2016 Financial Report and Sales Tax Update**

(Approved)

E. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, STUDENT SUPPORT AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT

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

(Approved)

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

(Approved)

F. SUPPORT SERVICES AND FACILITIES/CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

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

(Approved)

G. PERSONNEL

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

(Approved)

H. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY

***H-1. Board Approval of Purchase of Property for Future CCSD Use**

(Approved)

I. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mike Chapman, seconded by Kelly Poole and carried to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss a Real Estate Matter (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (4)) and a Personnel Matter – Superintendent Evaluation (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (6)) at 7:50 p.m. (7-0 vote).

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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 1/19/2017. The only matter(s) considered or discussed during the closed executive session of its meeting is/are as checked below:

_____ 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 19 day of Jan., 2017.

Velma J Brown

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

VELMA J. BROWN NOTARY PUBLIC CHEROKEE COUNTY, GA Exp. Jan. 03, 2021

Notary Public
My Commission Expires:

Kyla Thomas

Bobby Jordan

Kelly Poole

BVH/MW: 1/23/17