

MUSCOGEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
CALLED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 1999, 5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

A called meeting of the Board of Education of the Muscogee County School District was held on Wednesday, July 7, 1999 at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room at the Bradley Library.

The following Board Members were present: Mary Sue Polleys, David Ebron, Linda Parker, Barbara Pierce, Philip Schley, Brenda Storey, John Wells and Fife Whiteside.

Others present: Guy W. Sims, Superintendent of Education, James E. Humes, II, Legal Counsel, Fred M. Jones Treasurer, Brenda Dozier, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, Gordon Stallings, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, William Hortman, Associate Superintendent, Myles Caggins, Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs, Billy Kendall, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and representatives from the media.

Mrs. Polleys called the meeting to order with an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mrs. Polleys stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss issues regarding the Library, Magnet Schools, awarding contracts to various vendors and an executive session to discuss a personnel matter and possible property acquisition.

Mrs. Polleys informed the Board of a non-binding letter of intent in regards to the Library. Mr. Humes said that at the Board's request the non-binding letter of intent is ready for review prior to executing this with the City. The Board asked that Mr. Sims make a change in section #1 to read "not to exceed \$5.00" instead of "for nominal consideration" and the word "dependent" instead of "independent" in section #6. Mrs. Polleys informed Board members that they could have time to review the non-binding letter of intent and Mr. Sims could bring it back for approval at the next regular meeting.

The Board discussed future plans for magnet schools. It was the consensus of the Board to duplicate Britt David in regards to the magnet school concept. Mr. Sims said that with the construction projects under way, this would be an ideal time to consider the possibility of expanding magnet programs. He said that he had talked with principals up and down the Macon Road area that are interested. The Board asked that consideration be given to attendance zone changes, diversity and student achievement while planning for other magnet schools. The Board asked that the Administration explore this idea and bring back a recommendation at the August Education Committee meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Ebron, the Board unanimously awarded a contract in the amount of \$149,847.00 to Davis Electrical Services & Contracting Company, Inc., low bidder for furnishing additional electrical service at Richards Middle School and approved a budget.

Upon motion of Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Ebron, the Board unanimously awarded a contract in the amount of \$62,083.00 to Summit System, Inc., low bidder for Data Cabling at Eddy Middle School and approved a budget.

Upon motion of Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Ebron, the Board unanimously awarded a contract in the amount of \$2,253,119.00 to Wright Associates, Inc., low bidder for the construction of additions, renovations and modifications to Edgewood Elementary School and approved a budget.

Upon motion of Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Ebron, the Board unanimously awarded a contract in the amount of \$1,499,926.00 to Smith-Raymond Company, Inc., low bidder for the HVAC and related modifications at Hardaway High School and approved a budget.

Upon motion of Mr. Ebron, seconded by Mrs. Storey, the Board unanimously approved the absence of Mr. Walker for business reasons.

Upon motion of Mr. Wells, seconded by Mrs. Storey, the Board unanimously voted to go into executive session to hear a personnel matter and a possible property acquisition.

Upon motion of Mrs. Storey, seconded by Mr. Wells, the Board unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

Upon motion of Mrs. Storey, seconded by Mr. Wells, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the called meeting of the Board.

James E. Humes, II
Legal Counsel