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MUSCOGEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

CALLED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
BRADLEY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2003, 5:00 P.M.

MINUTES

A called meeting of the Board of Education of the Muscogee County School District was held on Tuesday, May 13, 2003 at 5:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Bradley Library.

The following Board members were present: Mary Sue Polleys, Chairman, James Walker, Vice Chairman, Brenda P. Storey, David E. Ebron, Philip T. Schley, Fife M. Whiteside, John Wells, Naomi Buckner, and Owen Ditchfield.

Others present: John A. Phillips, Jr. Superintendent of Education, Charles T. Staples, Legal Counsel, Del Parker, Treasurer, Robin Pennock, Chief Academic Officer, Myles Caggins, Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs, Shirley Jaeger, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel, Borden Black, Consultant for Media Relations and a representative from the media, Mark Rice.

Dr. Polleys called the meeting to order with the invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag. Dr. Polleys stated that the purpose of the meeting was to hold a public hearing regarding the Notice of Property Tax Increase and view the tentative FY04 budget.

Dr. Polleys read the following media announcement regarding the public hearing: "As required under O.C.G.A. §48-5-32.1, the Board will conduct the second public hearing regarding the "Notice of Property Tax Increase." The law requires the Board of Education to conduct three public hearings and issue a press release if it intends to benefit from growth in the property tax digest.

Dr. Polleys asked if there was anyone present that would like to speak regarding this matter. There was no one from the public present to speak regarding this matter. Dr. Polleys called the public hearing closed.

Dr. Phillips presented a macro view of the tentative FY04 budget by way of a power point presentation. Mr. Parker summarized the funding in the proposed budgets. Dr. Phillips gave a brief overview and answered questions regarding some of the features of the budget presented.

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

Mr. Charles T. Staples
Legal Counsel