MINUTES FOR WORTH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD MEETING HELD THURSDAY JULY 13, 2023 AT WORTH COUNTY BOARD ROOM AT 7:00 P.M.

The Worth County Board of Education met Thursday July 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Worth County Board Room.

Chairman Hubert Souter called the meeting to order.

All board members were present, except Marc Haralson. Also in attendance was Nehemiah Cummings, Superintendent.

Seth Freeman gave the invocation.

Chairman Hubert Souter lead the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed visitors.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Sue Youngblood made the motion to adopt the agenda for Thursday July 13, 2023. Justin Lucas seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC SPEAKER - None

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE - NONE

CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES

Approve June 5, 2023 Public Hearing Minutes

Approve June 5, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approve June 12, 2023 Public Hearing Minutes

Approve June 12, 2023 Called Meeting Minutes

Approve June 12, 2023 Board Training Minutes

B. FINANCE

Approval of Expenditure Reports for June

Justin Lucas made the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Sue Youngblood seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion to approve the 23-24 Student Handbooks (including the Code of Conduct for each school).

Sue Youngblood made Motion to approve the 23-24 Student Handbooks (including the Code of Conduct for each school). Justin Lucas seconded the motion and it passed with 4 yay votes.

B. Motion to approve the request for assistance from Georgia Dept. of Education in developing a new five-year local facilities plan.

Sue Youngblood made Motion to approve the request for assistance from Georgia Dept. of Education in developing a new five-year local facilities plan. Justin Lucas seconded the motion and it passed with 4 yay votes.

C. Motion to approve the curb addition, sidewalk improvements, and handicap ramp at WCPS in the amount of \$30,382.50 with KS Concrete.

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D. Motion to approve a construction budget of \$7,554,000 for the Stadium Project to include a new fieldhouse, parking, ADA restrooms, and concessions at Worth County Stadium.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel

Sue Youngblood made the motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:29pm. Marilyn Herring seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Sue Youngblood made the motion to return to Open Session at 8:13pm. Marilyn Herring seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ITEMS

A. RESIGNATION

- 1. Alexius Davis, Teacher, effective June 22, 2023.
- 2. Bryan Gannaway, Teacher, effective May 26, 2023

B. RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Ashley Cason, Teacher, beginning July 26, 2023.
- 2. Shykeria Curry, Business Services Assistant, beginning July 17, 2023

- 3. Reynaldo DelToro, Technology Specialist, beginning July 24, 2023.
- 4. Linda Fox, Bus Driver, beginning July 24, 2023.
- 5. Sarah Johnson, Teacher, beginning July 26, 2023
- 6. Kareem Monts, Teacher, beginning July 26, 2023.
- 7. Taylor Sibley, Teacher, beginning July 26, 2023.

INFORMATION

- 1. Brooke Braswell, WCPS SPED Teacher to WCHS SPED Teacher, effective July 26, 2023.
- 2. Lee Caquelard, WCMS Teacher to WCHS Teacher, effective July 26, 2023.
- 3. Ashley Judy, WCPS Teacher to WCMS SPED Teacher, effective July 26, 2023.
- 4. Heather Tomlinson, WCES Teacher to WCMS Teacher, effective July 26, 2023.

Marilyn Herring made the motion to approve personnel item A through B as recommended by the Superintendent. Sue Youngblood seconded the motion and it passed with 4 yay votes.

ADJOURN

Sue Youngblood made the motion to adjourn. Marilyn Herring seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SIGNED: APPROVED:

Nehemiah Cummings
Hubert Souter

Superintendent Board Chairman

Worth County Board of Education

AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned chair or presiding officer, under oath, certifies that a meeting of the Worth County Board of Education held on <u>July 13, 2023</u> was closed as permitted by the Open Meetings Act of Georgia. The only matters considered or discussed during the closed portion or Executive Session of this meeting are checked below:

- To discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or to interview applicants for the position of superintendent: (O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(2)).
- To discuss or vote to authorize negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property; authorize ordering an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate; enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of, or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; or enter into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease real estate subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; (O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(1)).
- To review an appeal from a Student Disciplinary Hearing; (O.C.G.A. §20-2-757).
- To consider a matter involving the disclosure of personally identifiable information from a student's educational records; (20 USC §1232g; O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(4)).
- To discuss records that are otherwise protected from disclosure under the Open Records Act and there is no reasonable means to consider the records without closing the meeting; (O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(4)).
- 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. §50-14-2-(1)).

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Chair or Presiding Officer

Sworn to and Subscribed before me

On the above indicated:

Notary Public, State of Georgia

Commission Expires

Kimberly D Oliver
NOTARY PUBLIC
Worth County, GEORGIA
My Commission Expires 09/16/2025