Cherokee County School District

Cherokee County Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting - Work Session
03/20/2025 05:15 PM
1205 Bluffs Parkway, Canton, GA 30114

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees - Voting Members

Janet Read Welch, Board Chair
Patsy Jordan, Vice-Chair
Kelly Poole, Board Member
Chance Beam, Board Member
Robert Rechsteiner, Board Member
Erin Ragsdale, Board Member
Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison, Board Member

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Janet Read Welch called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m.

II. SUPERINTENDENT WELCOME

Dr. Davis welcomed everyone in attendance and recognized the hard work of the school board during their appreciation month. The Superintendent then proceeded to share the Key Priorities Quarterly Report

III. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

1. **Academics and Accountability:**
   a. **Dr. Debra Murdock, Chief Leadership and Operations Officer**
      Presented 2025-2026 School Year Outlook
   b. **Dr. Josh Heath, Chief Academics and Accountability Officer**
      Presented Policy BAB Cohesive System of Teaching and Learning Accountability Report
2. **Finance:**
   a. **Kenneth Owen, Chief Financial Officer**
      Presented the FY26 Funding Outlook and Budget Recommendation
   b. **Kenneth Owen, Chief Financial Officer**
      Provided the monthly finance report, as information
3. **Capital Outlay:**
   a. **Trey Moores, Chief Support Services Officer**
      Provided the monthly Capital Outlay report, as information
4. **Legislative Report:**
   a. **Mike McGowan, Chief of Staff**
      Provided Legislative update for 2025

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IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:31 p.m., a motion was made by Kelly Poole and seconded by Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison and carried to enter Executive Session for the following purposes: The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

- *Personnel [O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(6)]*
- *Legal [O.C.G.A. 50-14-2]*
- *Real Estate [O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(4)]*

Kelly Poole made a motion at 7:04 p.m., which was seconded by Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison, to suspend the executive session that was entered during the work session. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote.

Kelly Poole made a motion to return to the work session and resume the executive session at 8:09 p.m., seconded by Erin Ragsdale. The Board approved with a 7/0 vote

V. ADJOURNMENT

Kelly Poole made a motion to adjourn the work session at 8:38 p.m., seconded by Patsy Jordan. The Board approved with a 6/0 vote (Robert Rechsteiner was not present)

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Janet Read Welch
School Board Chair

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Mary Elizabeth Davis
Superintendent