

CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Thursday, March 19, 2020

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

6:00 p.m.

The Cherokee County Board of Education called its regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2020 in the School Board Auditorium at the Dr. Frank R. Petruzielo Educational Services Facility, 1205 Bluffs Parkway, Canton, Georgia. Present were: School Board Chair Kyla Cromer; Vice-Chair Kelly Poole; Members Mike Chapman, John Harmon, Patsy Jordan, Clark Menard 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.

A brief inspirational story was shared by Kelly Poole.

Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Mike Chapman seconded by Patsy Jordan and carried, the Board unanimously adopted the Superintendent's recommended agenda (7-0 vote).

Minutes for Approval

On a motion by Clark Menard seconded by John Harmon and carried, the Board approved the minutes from the February 13, 2020 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 Patsy Jordan seconded by Kelly Poole 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. School Board Recognition of School Board Members during School Board Member Appreciation Week**

(Recognized)

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

School Board Member Comments:

- Kyla Cromer, Kelly Poole and Patsy Jordan were congratulated for qualifying for re-election with no opposition.
- School Board Members stated that they were pleased with the implementation of Digital Learning Days and requested information relative to ongoing Social Emotional Learning efforts.
- Policy implications relative to school closure/postponement were discussed.
- Superintendent and staff were thanked for submittal of the GSBA Exemplary Board application.

C. SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES

D. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

***D-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of February 2020 Financial Report and Sales Tax Update**

(Approved)

E. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

F. SUPPORT SERVICES

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

(Approved)

***F-2. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of the Special Lease Agreements**

(Approved)

F-3. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Proposals for the Construction of the Woodstock Middle School Classroom Addition and Woodstock High School Auxiliary Gym

(Approved)

Motion was made by Patsy Jordan, seconded by John Harmon and carried to Approve the proposal from McKnight Construction Company for the Construction of the Woodstock Middle School Classroom Addition and Woodstock High School Auxiliary Gym (7-0 vote).

G. HUMAN RESOURCES

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

(Approved)

H. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY

I. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

***I-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Authorization to Continue Paying Eligible Employees During the COVID-19 Closure**

(Approved)

Informational Items:

- COVID-19 (Status of School Calendar; Status of State Budgeting; Update on Federal and State Actions; CCSD Operational Plans and Next Steps).

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by John Harmon and carried to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss a Student Discipline Matter (O.C.G.A. Section 20-2-757) at 6:52 p.m. (7-0 vote).

Upon return to open session, motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by Clark Menard and carried to Uphold the findings and Disposition of the Discipline Tribunal Panel for Tribunal #19-134668 (7-0 vote).

The School Board adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

School Board Chair

Secretary