**Calhoun County Public Schools**

**Minutes of Regular Scheduled Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

**District Office**

**May 18, 2017**

**7:30 P.M.**

**Members Present**: Mr. Gary Porth, Chairperson; Mr. Kevin Jenkins, Vice Chairperson; Mrs. Sandra Tucker, Mrs. Debra Fredrick, Secretary; Mr. Ned Nelson.

1. **Call to Order/Moment of Silence**: Mr. Gary Porth, Chairperson, called the meeting to order, welcomed visitors and staff and asked everyone present to stand for the invocation and the "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag".

2. **Notice to the Media**: In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1985, Section 30-4-80-(e), as amended, the following have been notified of this meeting: The Calhoun Times; The Times and Democrat; notices placed on the bulletin boards in all schools and the District Office.

3. **Approval of Agenda**: Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve the agenda as submitted. Passed unanimously.

4. **Approval of Minutes**: Mrs. Fredrick moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve the minutes of April 24, 2017, as submitted. Passed unanimously. (Copy attached.)

5. **Student Recognition:** Mr. Ferlondo Tullock, Deputy Superintendent, asked Amaiyah Walker

 to come forward and be recognized for receiving the Melba McKenzie and LeAnn Crosby Summer Scholarship. Amaiyah will receive $750.00 dollars to be used to attend a summer program for academically or artistically gifted students.

Mrs. Christia Murdaugh, Chief Academic Officer, asked Dr. Steve Wilson, Superintendent, Mr. Ferlondo Tullock, Deputy Superintendent, Board Members and Principals, to come forward to assist with the recognition of students receiving the Third Quarter Highest GPA awards. Mrs. Murdaugh asked that parents of students receiving awards stand and be recognized while their child receives an award.

Mrs. Murdaugh asked Julissa Bull to come forward and receive the Perfect Attendance Award for having perfect attendance for twelve years while attending Calhoun County Public Schools.

Ms. Cynthia Johnson, Principal, asked Dadria Harris to come forward and be recognized for receiving the News19 Player of the Year award. Ms. Johnson said that Dadria played volleyball and was a cheerleader for the Saints, serving as a captain for both squads. Her outstanding grade point average and her role as senior class president is what provided a resume worthy of being a News19 Player of the Year.

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6. **Public Participation:**  No one signed up.

7. **Chairperson's Report**: No Report.

8. **Financial Report**: Mrs. Sky Strickland, Chief Financial Officer, presented the April 2017 Monthly Financial Report for Board consideration.

Mrs. Strickland informed the Board that in April 2017, we received 90% of General Fund Budgeted Revenue and have expended 73% of General Fund Budgeted Expenditures and encumbered 18% of the remaining General Fund Budgeted Expenditures. She added we have collected 5.3 million dollars in current taxes, and collected $354,000.00 in delinquent taxes.

 Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the Monthly Financial Report for April 2017. Passed unanimously.

 Mrs. Sky Strickland, Chief Financial Officer, presented the April 2017 Budget Adjustments for Board consideration.

 Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mrs. Fredrick, to approve the Budget Adjustments for March 2017. Passed unanimously.

 Mrs. Strickland presented the FY 2017-2018 Calhoun County Public Schools Budget for Second

Reading consideration. Mrs. Strickland informed the Board that the Budget presented for second reading is out of balance by approximately $358,998.00 and she is asking for Second Reading approval **in title only**.

After discussion, Mrs. Fredrick moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve the **Second Reading** of the Calhoun County Public Schools FY 2017-2018 Budget, **in title only**. Passed unanimously.

9. **Superintendent's Report**: Mr. Ferlondo Tullock, Deputy Superintendent, and Mrs. Janet Gilchrist, Instructional Coordinator, presented to the Board an outline of the expectations and timeline for the District’s AdvanED visit in the spring of 2018.

 Mrs. Christia Murdaugh, Chief Academic Officer, informed the Board of the accreditation update from the South Carolina Department of Education. She explained that the accreditation covers district operations, courses, teacher certification, school hours, finance, curriculum, instruction and assessment. The District and Sandy Run received monitored/all clear, Calhoun County High School and St. Matthews K-8 School received monitored/advised. A plan has been put in place for Calhoun County High School and St. Matthews K-8 School.

 Mrs. Murdaugh informed the Board that testing in the schools went well. Also, kudos were given to Jerry Crisp, IT Director, and his staff for making certain that technology was ready for testing.

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Dr. Steve Wilson, Superintendent, informed the Board that due to the Solar Eclipse on August 21, 2017, he is recommending that we close the district for that day and move the starting date for Faculty/Staff to August 14, 2017.

 Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Fredrick, to accept the change on the Academic Calendar proposed by the administration for 2017-2018.

10. **Executive Session**: Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mr. Nelson, to go into executive session to hear District Insurance Presentations and consider Employee Recommendations and return to open session at the completion of discussions. Passed unanimously.

Mr. Jenkins moved, with a second by Mr. Nelson, to accept the Employee Recommendations as presented by the Superintendent. Passed unanimously.

11. **Adjournment**: Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Fredrick, to adjourn at 10:05 p.m. Passed unanimously.

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 Board Secretary

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