**Calhoun County Public Schools**

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

**District Office/Live Stream**

**May 28, 2020**

**7:30 P.M.**

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

1. **Call to Order/Moment of Silence**: Mr. Kevin Jenkins, Vice-Chairperson, called the meeting to order, welcomed visitors and staff and asked everyone present to stand for a Moment of Silence and the "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag".

2. **Notice to the Media**: In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80-(E), 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 Ms. Fredrick, to approve the agenda as submitted. Passed unanimously.

4. **Approval of Minutes**: Mrs. Tucker moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2020 Board Meeting, as submitted. Passed unanimously. (Copy attached.)

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

6. **Financial Report:** Mrs. Sky Strickland, Chief Financial Officer, presented the April 2020, Monthly Financial Report for approval. Mrs. Strickland informed the Board that in April 2020, the District received 79% of General Fund Budgeted Revenue and expended 73% of the General Fund Budgeted Expenditures and encumbered 18% of the General Fund Budgeted Expenditures with a total of 91% that is expended and encumbered. She added that the current taxes collected for April 2020 was approximately $5,269,000.00. Mrs. Strickland said that last FY in May and June, the District received approximately $175,000.00 in current taxes and if we receive the same amount this year, we will need approximately $56,000.00 to meet the budget. She added the district has collected $409,000.00 in delinquent taxes and said we are ahead of what was budgeted.

Ms. Fredrick moved, with a second by Mr. Nelson, to approve the Monthly Financial Report for April 2020, as presented. Passed unanimously.

Mrs. Strickland presented the April 2020 Budget Adjustments for approval.

Ms. Tucker moved, with a second by Mr. Nelson, to approve the Budget Adjustments for April 2020, as presented. Passed unanimously.

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Mrs. Strickland spoke to the Board regarding the CARES ACT funding. She said the allocation from the State Department for the Cares Act is $506,478.00. The plans are to use this money for the operating expenses next year, unless something else comes up to nullify our waiting to use the funds. She added that the funds can be carried over to the next year.

7. **Superintendent's Report**:

Mr. George Kiernan, Human Resources Director and Compliance Officer, presented Policy JRA – Student Records, AR-JRA-R – Student Records and JRA – E Student Records for amendment and approval.

Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to approve and amend Policy JRA – Student Records and AR-JRA-R – Student Records as presented to the Board.

Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to approve JRA – E - Student Records as presented to the Board.

Mr. Kiernan informed the Board of the Facility Updates. He said the new batting cages have been completed at Calhoun County High School. He said that the bleachers at both K-8 schools have been repaired. He concluded by saying that summer cleaning has begun at all of the schools.

Mr. Milton Howard, Principal at Calhoun County High School, spoke to the Board about the Graduation Plans. He said that the High School will have a Traditional Ceremony on June 6, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Mr. Howard said that social distancing will be observed. He read the procedures and rules regarding the graduation ceremony. (Copy Attached.)

Dr. Wilson spoke to the Board and handed out articles and information regarding school re-openings for next year. Dr. Wilson shared that he is concerned about the re-opening of the schools due to the current pandemic. He said he thinks the State Department and everyone needs to take a look at the seriousness of securing the safety of students and staff. Dr. Wilson said the AccelerateED Task Force asked Superintendents to respond to recommendations. He added that the Midlands Superintendents will meet on June 10, 2020 to talk about school re-openings.

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8. **Executive Session**: Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to go into Executive Session to consider Personnel Recommendation(s) and Resignation(s), and Legal: FOIA Request, Contracts: Administrative and Superintendent’s Evaluation and then return to open session at the completion of discussions. Passed unanimously.

Upon return from Executive Session, Mr. Jenkins announced that the Board was back in open session.

9. **Board Actions**: Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Ms. Fredrick, to approve the Superintendent’s recommendations for employment and resignation. Passed unanimously.

10. **Adjournment**: Mr. Nelson moved, with a second by Mrs. Tucker, to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. Passed unanimously.

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Board Secretary

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