

**CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**BOARD MEETING**

**October 14, 2019**

The Cherokee County School District Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, October 14, 2019, at 5:30 PM in the Cafeteria at Northwest Elementary School. Board members present were Chair Mr. Johnny Sarratt, Jr., Vice Chair Dr. Mark Nix, Secretary Mr. Matt Davis, Mr. Barry Bailey, Mr. Billy Blackwell, Mrs. Robin Harper, Mr. Kevin Phillips, Ms. Cheryll Smith. Administrators present were Superintendent Dr. Dana Fall, Chief Human Resources and Operations Officer Dr. Carl Carpenter, Chief Academic Officer Dr. Shirley Sealy, Executive Director of Finance Mrs. Sherri Morgan, and Director of Food Service Sandra Littlejohn. News media present: The Gaffney Ledger.

In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, Section 30-40-80(d), as amended, the following have been notified of the time, date, and agenda of this meeting: The Cherokee Chronicle, The Gaffney Ledger, The Shelby Star, The Spartanburg Herald-Journal, Radio Stations WZZQ-AM and WFGN, WSPA-TV, WYFF-TV, and WSOC-TV.

Chairman Sarratt, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and led the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Consent Agenda approving the meeting agenda and the September 9, 2019, Board minutes was the next item on the agenda. **Mr. Davis made the motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Blackwell. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

**Northwest Elementary School Presentation – Mrs. Kathy Phillips, Principal, was the next item on the agenda.**

Mrs. Phillips, Northwest Elementary School Principal, presented the Trustees with the mission of Northwest Elementary, facility upgrades, community support and involvement, and numerous educational programs. Mrs. Phillips highlighted the Woot Woot Wagon, Health and Wellness Change Agents like the Wise Grant, Campo Giorno, and the upcoming PTO Fall Festival. 5<sup>th</sup> Graders of Northwest Elementary School closed the presentation by written and performed a Bobcat Pride song. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**

Honors/Accomplishments/Commendations was the next item on the agenda.

- **Crystal Apple Award – September**
  - Classified – Mr. Clarence Davis – Department of Transportation
  - Certified – Beth Osment – Ewing Middle School
- **North vs. South Assistant Coach Selection – All-Star Game/Girls Basketball – Susan Wade – Gaffney High School**
- **Shrine Bowl Player – JeMari Littlejohn- Gaffney High School**
- **SCPASS 2018-2019 Maximum Scorers – Science**
- **Abigail Mace – Blacksburg Middle School/Blacksburg High**

School Board Policy BCBI – Public Participation was the next item on the agenda. No one requested to speak publicly in front of the Board.

Energy Savings Plan - Mr. John Anderson – Trane was the next item on the agenda. Mr. Anderson presented the Trustees with an energy savings plan, centered around performance tracking by way of build assessments and created utility profiles offering a 25-35% savings that includes energy conservation. This potential energy project would be based on a performance contract. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**

Policy Revision - Policy ECA Security – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading was the next item on the agenda. Dr. Shirley Sealy presented the Trustees with the first reading of Policy ECA Security. Mrs. Harper made the motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Policy ECA Security, **seconded by Ms. Smith. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Executive Session – for Personnel Matters for the purpose of discussing the employment, discipline or release of an employee or employees of the District, Contractual Matters was the next item on the agenda. Mr. Sarratt, Jr. called for a motion to go into Executive Session. **Mr. Phillips made a motion that the Board enter**

**into Executive Session for Personnel Matters for the purpose of discussing the employment, discipline or release of an employee or employees of the District, Contractual Matters, seconded by Dr. Nix. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.** The Executive Session began at 6:25 PM and ended at 7:53 PM. Mr. Sarratt, Jr. said the Board had been in Executive Session for Personnel Matters for the purpose of discussing the employment, discipline or release of an employee or employees of the District, Contractual Matters. **Mr. Davis made the motion to return to regular session, seconded by Mrs. Harper. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Action as needed from Executive Session was the next item on the agenda.

**Mr. Davis made the motion to authorize the Superintendent to review future building consolidation options in the District, seconded by Mr. Phillips. Those voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Davis, Mr. Sarratt, Jr., Dr. Nix, Mr. Phillips, and Ms. Smith. Those Opposed to the motion: Mr. Bailey and Mrs. Harper. The motion did pass with a majority vote.**

Personnel Recommendations was the next item on the agenda under the Superintendent's Report. Mr. Sarratt, Jr. called for a motion to approve the Personnel Recommendations. **Mr. Phillips made a motion that the Board accept the Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations and the District Organization Chart, seconded by Mr. Blackwell. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Certification of Delegates for the 2019 Delegate Assembly was the next item on the agenda under the Superintendent's Report. Mr. Blackwell and Mr. Phillips volunteered to serve as the District's Delegates for the upcoming SCSBA Delegate Assembly conference. **This information was presented for information only. No action was necessary.**

Board Newsletter was the next item under the Superintendent's Report. Dr. Fall provided the October newsletter to each Trustee that contained valuable Board information for their review. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**

Dr. Fall shared that the October/November announcements handout of upcoming events and meeting dates was included in the board packet. **This item was received for information only; no action was taken.**

Other Matters was the next item on the agenda.

Ms. Smith thanked Ms. Phillips for hosting the meeting at Northwest Elementary school this evening.

Mr. Phillips spoke on achievement, the upcoming testing focus, and the close of the nine weeks.

Dr. Nix shared his appreciation to Ms. Phillips for hosting the meeting this evening.

Mr. Bailey thanked everyone for what they do for the District and thanked Ms. Phillips for hosting the Board meeting this evening.

Mr. Blackwell congratulated all of the honorees this evening before thanking Ms. Phillips for hosting the meeting.

Mrs. Harper congratulated all the honorees this evening and thanked Ms. Phillips for hosting the meeting at Northwest Elementary School.


Mr. Davis thanked Ms. Phillips for hosting the meeting this evening.

Mr. Sarratt, Jr. thanked Ms. Phillips for hosting the meeting this evening before discussing the District's energy conservation options with Trane, **Mrs. Harper made the motion to authorize the Superintendent to move forward with a Trane energy plan, seconded by Dr. Nix. Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn.**

Mr. Sarratt, Jr. called for a motion to adjourn. **Mr. Davis made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Phillips. Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

  
Mr. Matt Davis, Secretary

APPROVED BY:

  
Mr. Johnny Sarratt, Jr., Chairman