

**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #3  
FULTON COUNTY**

**REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**January 15, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #3, Fulton County, met in regular session on January 15, 2019, in the Cuba Elementary Library, 652 East Main Street, Cuba. President Sue McCance called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Wallace.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

President McCance led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC:

None.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

Under communications, Mrs. Simmons-Kenser shared attendance reports from both buildings. Mr. Doug Falk, former Ag teacher for the Cuba School District, addressed the Board regarding the MSD farm ground. Mr. Justin Hadsall from the local MSD was also present to answer questions. The Board was encouraged to approach MSD and attempt to negotiate a new contract to replace the existing one which will expire in February. A new contract would allow Ag students to continue to experience farming and would allow the Ag Department to continue to make a profit from that farming. Mr. Falk also encouraged the Board to consider having the 2019 High School graduation ceremony in the City park.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Mr. Wallace, seconded by Mrs. Davis to approve the agenda as amended. All members voted "yea". Motion carried.

7. MINUTES:

Approved under Consent Agenda.

8. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:

Under Principals' reports, Mr. Braun announced Ryne Valley as the Senior of the Month for January. The Middle School Student Council held

a blood drive for the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center on December 11. They received 28 donations which will provide up to 112 products to patients in need. Mr. Stauffer had his 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade winter Band and Chorus concert on December 19. It was well attended and the students sounded great. Mr. Braun announced the new website and CUSD #3 App are live and functioning. District staff members will be receiving more training over the next two weeks during PLC time. More advertising and marketing will happen over the next four weeks to make the public aware of both. Winter benchmarking has begun at the High School, and Middle School students completed their benchmarking before winter break. Teachers will be looking at the data in PLCs this week and next.

Mrs. Simmons-Kenser announced Allison Markley from Mrs. Russell's class as the December Buzzy Bee winner. Holiday celebrations went well in all of the classrooms. Students were able to have cookies and milk with Santa in the library on December 21. This is the second year for this activity. The students enjoy it and several parents come in to help serve. Kindergarten classes went to Clayberg Nursing Home to spread some holiday cheer on December 17. All PLC groups and Leadership will meet in January to discuss the student data collected during the winter benchmarking window.

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Approved under Consent Agenda.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Under the Superintendent's report, Mrs. Simmons-Kenser discussed tentative staffing needs for 2019-2020. Positions to be posted soon will be: Special Education teachers; School Psychologist/Special Education Coordinator; Technology Integration Specialist; Math teacher; MS/HS Dean/Assistant Principal; Elementary Music teacher, which will be contracted from Canton School District; Sign Language Interpreter; and any other teaching positions which may arise.

Mrs. Simmons-Kenser also helped Board members complete an evaluation required for the ESSA school improvement progress report.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to enter closed session at 8:06 P.M. to consider evaluation, employment, resignation of personnel, and individual student matters. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Corsaw and Mr. Wallace. Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mrs. Davis to go out of closed session at 10:52 P.M. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Corsaw, Mr. Wallace and Mrs. Davis. Motion carried.

ACTION TAKEN AFTER CLOSED SESSION:

12. CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Deakin to approve the consent agenda as presented. Items approved were: minutes of the December 10, 2018 regular and closed session meetings; District Cash Balance Report, \$893,353.74 (December); High School Activity Account, \$98,810.01 (December) and C.D. Account, \$25,000.00 (December); Payroll for December, \$321,340.25; December vendor bills, \$104,094.09; January vendor bills, \$28,803.04; Cuba Elementary Activity Account, \$2,660.48 (December), and Cuba Elementary Tom Wat Account, \$22,526.70 (December); the annual district audit services by Gorenz and Associates; registration dates for the 2019-2020 school year as August 7 and 8, 2019, from 1-7 P.M. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Corsaw, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Wilson. Motion carried.

13. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

14. NEW BUSINESS:

14.1b **Resignation** -

14.1b1 **Non-Certified Staff.** MOTION by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Davis to accept the resignation of Charity Adams, payroll clerk. All members voted "yea". Motion carried.

14.1c **Employment** -

14.1c1 **Co-op Coach.** MOTION by Mrs. Deakin, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to employ Elliott Craig as the head football coach for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: "Yeas": Mr. Corsaw, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Deakin and Mrs. McCance. Motion carried.

14.1c2 **Co-op Assistant Coaches.** MOTION by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mrs. Deakin to employ Drake Abbadusky and Jeremy Irwin as assistant football coaches for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: "Yeas": Mr. Corsaw, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Deakin and Mrs. McCance. Motion carried.

14.1c3 **Co-op Coach.** MOTION by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Wallace to employ Greg Garrett as the golf coach for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: "Yeas": Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance and Mr. Corsaw. Motion carried.

14.2 **Approval of CD rollover.** MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mr. Wallace to approve the rollover of the current High School Activity Account CD to a new one with a higher interest rate. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Corsaw, Mr. Wallace and Mrs. Davis. Motion carried.

14.3 **Approval of New Banking Signatures.** MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mrs. Deakin to add Rhonda Garrett, Jeff Braun and Angela

Simmons-Kenser to the High School CD account at Mid-America National Bank. All members voted "yea". Motion carried.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

. MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mrs. Davis to adjourn the meeting at 11:13 P.M. All members voted "yea". Motion carried.

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Sue McCance, Board President

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Debra Deakin, Board Secretary