SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES OF MEETING

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020

The Seminole County Board of Education met on July 20, 2020. The following members were present: Mr. William L. Robinson, Dr. Charles O. Walker, Mr. Trent Clark, Mr. Spencer Stewart, Dr. Michael Kirkland, Financial Director Sherry Gray, Curriculum Director Felicia Purdy and Superintendent Mark Earnest.

1. Vice-Chairman Dr. Charles Walker called the meeting to order.
2. Mr. Spencer Stewart gave the invocation.
3. Vice-Chairman Dr. Charles Walker established a quorum with five members present.
4. Mr. William Robinson made a motion with a second from Mr. Spencer Stewart to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
5. The Board members elected Dr. Charles Walker to become the new Chairman of the Board.

Dr. Michael Kirkland made a motion with a second from Mr. Spencer Stewart to approve Dr. Charles Walker as Chairman of the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board members elected Mr. Spencer Stewart to become the Vice-Chairman of the Board.

Mr. William Robinson made a motion with a second from Dr. Michael Kirkland to approve Mr. Spencer Stewart as Vice-Chairman of the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Mr. Trent Clark made a motion with a second from Dr. Michael Kirkland to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled board meeting on June 8, 2020 and the called board meeting on July 6, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Trent Clark made a motion with a second from Chairman Dr. Charles Walker to approve the June 2020 financial statement. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Vice-Chairman Mr. Spencer Stewart made a motion with a second from Dr. Michael Kirkland to approve the adoption of the Spending Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Dr. Michael Kirkland made a motion with a second from Mr. William Robinson to approve the tentative budget for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Mr. Mark Earnest let the Board members know that they will need to have two meetings on the budget for 2020-2021. The Board members ans Superintendent Mr. Mark Earnest decided to have a called board meeting on Thursday, August 6th, at 7:00pm and will have a work session on Monday, August 10th, at 6:00pm before the regularly scheduled board meeting.

1. Superintendent Mr. Mark Earnest presented the amendment of the Capitalization Policy for Capital Assets, Descriptor Code: DIB-R.
2. The following Superintendent’s report was given by Superintendent Earnest:   
   * Ball Schedules (Handout)  
     Superintendent Mr. Mark Earnest handed out the fall sport schedules to the board members. GHSA announced they were pushing back the football start date to September 4, 2020, but will still allow them to play their full schedule of 10 games. The Cross Country schedule will have to be sent out at a later date due to it not being finalized. The surrounding counties are in the process of waiting to schedule meets due to Covid-19.
   * Interest Rate (Handout)  
     Superintendent Mr. Mark Earnest informed the board members that we recently sought bids on a new checking account for the Seminole County Board of Education’s General Fund. We have chosen Georgia Community Bank.
   * GA Power Lights Project  
     On July 13th, GA Power began installing the lights around both campuses.
   * Digital GHSA Pass (Handout)  
     Superintendent Mr. Mark Earnest gave the board members an instructional handout to obtain their new digital GHSA pass.
   * Work Schedule for July (Handout)  
     A handout of the July work schedule was given to the board members.
   * 2020-2021 School Calendar of Events (Handout)   
     Superintendent Mr. Mark Earnest gave the board members an updated 2020-2021 School Calendar that reflected the new start date, progress report dates, and report card dates.
   * Reception for Retired Teachers  
     There will be a reception planned for the retired teachers at Seminole County Elementary Lunchroom on Thursday, July 30th at 2:30pm.
   * Distance Learning Interest Application Update  
     Superintendent Mr. Mark Earnest gave an update on the Distance Learning interest for the community. At this time, 178 interest applications have been turned into the Seminole County Board of Education Office. The deadline for the applications will be Friday, July 24th, at 5:00pm.
3. The following action items were considered:   
   * Chrome Book Policy

Chairman Dr. Charles Walker made a motion with a second from Dr. Michael Kirkland to approve the Chrome Book Policy for the Seminole County School District. Motion carried unanimously.

* + School Councils and Meeting Dates

Mr. William Robinson made a motion with a second from Mr. Trent Clark to approve the Seminole County School Councils and Meeting Dates for the 2020-2021 school year.

* + Billy Grantham, School Board Attorney for 2020-2021

Chairman Dr. Charles Walker made a motion with a second from Mr. Trent Clark to approve Billy Grantham as the school board attorney for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Presentation on Facilities by Leah Jones, Altman & Barrett Architects
2. Chairman Dr. Charles Walker made a motion with a second from Mr. Trent Clark for the Board to go to executive session.

Chairman Dr. Charles Walker made a motion with a second from Dr. Michael Kirkland for the Board to go from executive session to regular session.

1. The following personnel report was read by Superintendent Earnest:

Appointment - Classified Position Start Date  
Trinity Clark Paraprofessional - SCES 7/28/2020  
 (Special Education)

Vice-Chairman Mr. Spencer Stewart made a motion with a second from Dr. Michael Kirkland to approve Ms. Trinity Clark. Motion carried unanimously without the vote of Mr. Trent Clark due to personal affiliation.

Appointment - Classified Position Start Date  
Joel Espano Paraprofessional - SCMHS 7/28/2020  
 (Special Education)

Tim Bell Technology Specialist 7/28/2020

Appointment - Certified Position Start Date  
Tony Buczek Music Teacher – SCES 7/28/2020

Tony Buczek has started the TAPP Program at Southwest Georgia RESA. He was previously a paraprofessional.

Transfer Position Effective Date  
Alethea Culverson Title I Administrative Assistant – BOE 7/20/2020

(Previous Position: Administrative Assistant – SCMHS)

Tiffany Ross School Nutrition – SCES 7/1/2020  
 (Previous Position: Title I Administrative Assistant/SPED Parent Mentor – BOE)

Resignation Position Effective Date  
Juwan Hopkins Teacher – SCMHS 7/13/2020

(Alternative School/Coach)  
Hazal Donalson Paraprofessional – SCMHS 7/14/2020  
 (Special Education)

Retirement Position Effective Date  
Joyce McCalvin Teacher – SCES 7/13/2020  
Randi New Teacher – SCMHS 7/20/2020

Vice-Chairman Dr. Charles Walker made a motion with a second from Mr. Spencer Stewart to approve the personnel report. Motion carried unanimously.

1. There being no further business, Chairman Dr. Charles Walker made a motion and a second from Mr. William Robinson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.   
     
     
   All business conducted by the Board in this matter was unanimously voted on unless otherwise indicated.

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