

Board of Education
Regular Session Minutes
February 17, 2022 6:00 P.M.
Gilmer County, Georgia

Gilmer County Board of Education

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Mr. Watkins. Mr. Watkins thanked everyone for being at the meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronald Watkins (Chairman), Doug Pritchett (Vice-Chair), Michael Parks, Joe Pflueger and Michael Bramlett

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Superintendent Dr. Brian Ridley, Melissa Oliver, Ashley Stover, Samantha Amos, Jessica Chastain, Bob Sosebee, Katrina Kingsley, Lindy Patterson and Emily Plumley.

VISITORS PRESENT: John Oliver and Julie Mullins from FYN

Dr. Ridley recommended approval of the Regular Session Regular Session Agenda as presented. Motion by Mr. Bramlett and second by Mr. Pritchett. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.

The Invocation was given by Father Vargas from Good Samaritan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Ridley.

Public Participation: None

Consent Items: Motion by Mr. Pritchett and second by Mr. Bramlett to approve the Consent Items. Motion Carried. All both voted Yes, as follows:

- Board Minutes:
 - January 24, 2022, Work and Executive Session
 - January 27, 2022, Regular Session
- Out of State/Overnight Field Trips:
 - Academic Field Trips (See Attachment)
 - Student Activities/Athletic-Based Field Trips (See Attachment)

Superintendent's Report:

a. High Performing Culture and Workforce:

- i. Personnel: Dr. Ridley recommended approval of personnel as discussed in Executive Session on Monday February 14, 2022. Personnel was placed on display for the public information during this meeting. Motion by Mr. Parks and second by Mr. Pflueger to approve personnel. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.

- ii. Annual School Personnel Renewal: Dr. Ridley recommended approval of certified staff beginning with staff closely related to Board members. Personnel was placed on display for the public information during this meeting. Approvals are as follows;
 - Candi Davis – Motion by Mr. Pflueger and second by Mr. Pritchett. Motion Carried. Mr. Watkins, Mr. Pritchett, Mr. Parks and Mr. Pflueger voted Yes. Mr. Bramlett abstained.
 - Donna Parks – Motion by Mr. Bramlett and second by Mr. Pflueger. Motion Carried. Mr. Pritchett, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Bramlett and Mr. Pflueger voted Yes. Mr. Parks abstained.
 - Jenna Parks – Motion by Mr. Pritchett and second by Mr. Watkins. Motion Carried. Mr. Pritchett, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Bramlett and Mr. Pflueger voted Yes. Mr. Parks abstained.
 - Darcie Pritchett – Motion by Mr. Bramlett and second by Mr. Pflueger. Motion Carried. Mr. Watkins, Mr. Parks, Mr. Bramlett and Mr. Pflueger voted Yes. Mr. Pritchett abstained.
 - Tina Watkins – Motion by Mr. Parks and second by Mr. Bramlett. Motion Carried. Mr. Pritchett, Mr. Bramlett, Mr. Parks and Mr. Pflueger voted Yes. Mr. Watkins abstained.
 - LWEC Staff – Motion by Mr. Bramlett and second by Mr. Parks. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.
 - CCES Staff – Motion by Mr. Pflueger and second by Mr. Bramlett. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.
 - EES Staff – Motion by Mr. Parks and second by Mr. Watkins. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.
 - MVE Staff – Motion by Mr. Pritchett and second by Mr. Bramlett. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.
 - CCMS Staff – Motion by Mr. Pflueger and second by Mr. Pritchett. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.
 - GHS Staff – Motion by Mr. Bramlett and second by Mr. Parks. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.
- b. Operational Effectiveness:
 - i. Legislative Delegate and Alternate: Dr. Ridley spoke to the Board regarding the nomination of a delegate and alternate to represent the Board and to propose changes to the GSBA Legislative Positions if they wish to do so. Proposed changes can be amendments to current positions, deleting positions or adding new ones. Motion by Mr. Watkins and second by Mr. Bramlett to nominate Mr. Pritchett as the Legislative Delegate. Motion Carried. All voted Yes. Motion by Mr. Watkins and second by Mr. Pritchett to nominate Mr. Bramlett as Delegate Alternate. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.

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- ii. Policies: Motion by Mr. Bramlett and second motion by Mr. Pritchett to move the following policies from the table and approve the second reading, with the changes as discussed at the Work Session Monday February 14, 2022. Motion Carried. All voted Yes, as follows:

- Policy AFC Emergency Closings
- Policy CMA Administrative Rules – Rescind
- Policy DFK Gifts and Bequests
- Policy GCRA(1) Drug Screening of Bus Drivers

c. Fiscal Accountability:

- i. Budget: Dr. Ridley recommended a motion to approve the FY2022 Financial Summary - December 2021, 2015 ESPLOST Expenditures – February 2022, 2020 ESPLOST – February 2022 and the School Activity Accounts – December 2021. Motion by Mr. Parks and second by Mr. Pritchett to approve the financial reports. Motion Carried. All voted Yes.

Superintendent’s Announcements/Comments: Dr. Ridley announced the districts spring Job Fair coming up on March 2, 2022.

Charter Discussion led by Mr. Pritchett:

Mr. Pritchett read an exert from the districts Charter regarding transportation and food services.

Adjourn:

Motion by Mr. Bramlett and second by Mr. Pritchett to adjourn the Regular Session. Motion Carried. All voted Yes. Meeting was adjourned at 6:19pm.

Dr. Brian Ridley, Superintendent

Mr. Watkins, Chairman

Submitted by: _____
Emily Plumley, Board Clerk