

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION
ANNISTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Thursday, July 19, 2018 ~5:00 p.m.

The Anniston City Board of Education met in Regular Session on Thursday, July 19, 2018, in the Board Room of the Central Office, 4804 McClellan Boulevard. The members present included the following: Mrs. Joan Frazier, Dr. Mary Harrington and Mrs. Rebecca Brown. Mrs. Trudy Munford and Mr. Robert Houston were absent. Vice President Frazier called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Ms. Angela Morgan, UniServ, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Charles E. Gregory, Principal of Anniston High School, led the group in prayer.

Superintendent Douthitt recognized and welcomed all guests.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Superintendent Douthitt recommended approval of the agenda as amended and presented.

A motion was made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

The motion was approved 3-0.

Special Presentations~

JoAnn Pope-Project Manager Cheaha Creative Arts

Ms. Joanne Poland, Liaison from the Alabama Arts Education Initiative, presented Cheaha Creative Arts with a \$20,000 grant. The majority of these funds will be used to integrate Arts education at Golden Springs Elementary School.

Dr. Karen Stewart- information about Robotics

Dr. Stewart presented information about the AHS Robotics Team and the full STEAM ahead project. She further stated that a new Computer Science class will be added to the curriculum at AHS for the 9th and 10th graders. Dr. Stewart wants to add a robotics team to the Middle School. She stated that technology is expanding and she wants to encourage the children to join Robotics earlier. She is developing several ideas to create Scholarships for Technology.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Personnel Recommendations (ADDENDUM)

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the personnel recommendations as amended and presented.

A motion was made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

Before the vote, Mrs. Frazier asked if everyone who was recommended for a certified position had at least met the provisional criteria for a teaching certificate. Superintendent Douthitt replied "Yes" and also stated that this year will not be unusual and the State gives us flexibility to allow people to become educators through an alternate path. Mrs. Frazier then expressed concerns about item 3A. Superintendent Douthitt explained that they have decreased the money spent in this category. Dr. Jones also added that this job is included in the FY 19 Federal budget but that an amendment would be done to include it in FY 18.

The motion was approved 3-0.

B. Financial Report and Check Register Accountability Report

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the financial report for May 2018.

A motion was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Dr. Harrington to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

The motion was approved 3-0.

C. Approval of the 2018-2019 Student Code of Conduct

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the use of the 2018-2019 Student Code of Conduct.

A motion was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Dr. Harrington to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

The motion was approved 3-0.

D. Approval of Evaluation Service Contract with Alabama Association of School Boards

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the Evaluation Service Contract with AASB.

The motion was made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Frazier to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

Before the vote, Mrs. Frazier asked if this was reviewed by the attorney or sent to directly to us. Superintendent Douthitt replied that it came directly from the AASB.

The motion was approved 3-0.

E. School Fiscal Accountability Law Resolution/Solvency Plan Approval

Superintendent Douthitt recommended the approval of the School Fiscal Accountability Law Resolution/Solvency Plan.

The motion was made by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Dr. Harrington to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

The motion was approved 3-0.

Superintendent's Update

- Anniston Community Education Foundation (ACEF) Summit will be on July 20th at 9:00 am at Anniston Middle School.
- The Bulldog Pride team met with several stakeholders about the two clean up days scheduled for July 21st and July 28th from 8-12.

The Board Speaks

- Mrs. Brown stated she was also excited about the new school year and looking forward to the activities that would be happening. She stated we are making great progress here in Anniston and she is proud of everyone.
- Dr. Harrington stated she is also excited and proud. She further stated her grandchildren attend Anniston City Schools. She also feels that our children are treated the way they are because of the color of their skin. We should do right by our children and give them the best that's available.
- Mrs. Frazier stated that this was a blessed Board meeting. She complimented the administrators and teachers for all their hard work. She was also excited about the new year and welcomed the new staff.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion made by Dr. Harrington and seconded by Mrs. Frazier, the Board adjourned. The vote was unanimous to adjourn at 6:10 p.m.

Approved: August 16, 2018

Robert Houston, President

Darren Douthitt, Superintendent