BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2019

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WORK SESSION
The Cobb County Board of Education met for a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Thursday, August 22, 2019, at 2:00 p.m., 514 Glover Street, with the following members present: Messrs. Banks, Chastain, Morgan, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Davis, Dr. Howard, Mr. Ragsdale, Executive Secretary, and Mr. Doyle, Board Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Mr. Chastain, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT
There were eight (8) public commenters.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Without objection, the Board approved the minutes of the Thursday, July 18, 2019, Board Meeting, the Thursday, July 18, 2019, Second Tax Digest Hearing, and the Thursday, July 18, 2019, Third Tax Digest Hearing.

BOARD BUSINESS
• Cobb Schools Foundation Appointee Update – Mr. Chastain
  – Mrs. Davis, Post 6, appointed Nathaniel Riley
• Cobb Horizon Update – Mr. Morgan
  – Mrs. Sherri Hill, Chief School Leadership Officer, shared the successes and accomplishments of Cobb Horizon High School and their students one year after opening.
• Additional Pathways for Teacher Advancement – Mr. Morgan
  – Mr. Morgan inquired about the possibility of the school district offering an in-house system to equip our teachers and create an alternate pathway allowing them to advance in their career without incurring additional educational debt.
  – The Superintendent agreed to have options studied over the next year.
• Technology Academy/Magnet – Mr. Morgan
  – Mr. Morgan discussed with the Board the value of having a magnet school or an academy that focuses on technology and coding.
The Superintendent stated that many high schools offer extra programs and, as a district, all schools are encouraged and supported in offering STEM programs or additional academies to their students. He also noted that the Career Academy at Osborne High School will have the potential to be expanded to include additional pathways.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
- First Day of School Video
  - Superintendent’s highlights of the district’s first day of the 2019-20 school year.

**BOARD AGENDA ITEMS**
The Board discussed the Agenda Items listed below. These items will be brought forth for a vote during the Voting Session of the Thursday, August 22, 2019, Board Meeting:

**AGENDA ITEM #1** – Recommendation for Authorization of School Properties Disposal per District Administrative Rule DO-R
  - Without objection, this item was placed on the Consent Agenda for the Voting Session of the Thursday, August 22, 2019, Board Meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM #2** – Recommendation for Approval of the Local Plan for Vocational Education and One-Year Funding Application for FY2020
  - Without objection, this item was placed on the Consent Agenda for the Voting Session of the Thursday, August 22, 2019, Board Meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM #3** – Recommendation for Rights-of-Way and Easements at Lewis Elementary School and McEachern High School, and Easements at Griffin Middle School and Pope High School
  - Without objection, this item was placed on the Consent Agenda for the Voting Session of the Thursday, August 22, 2019, Board Meeting.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Without objection, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

**RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**
A motion was made by Mr. Scamihorn, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, and unanimously approved by the Board to convene to Executive Session at 3:50 p.m. for land, legal, and personnel matters. Motion carried 7-0.

**VOTING SESSION**
The Cobb County Board of Education met for a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Thursday, August 22, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., 514 Glover Street, with the following members present: Messrs. Banks, Chastain, Morgan, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Davis, Dr. Howard, Mr. Ragsdale, Executive Secretary, and Mr. Doyle, Board Attorney.

**RECONVENE**
Without objection, the Board reconvened at 7:01 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Mr. Chastain, Board Chair, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
BOARD RECOGNITIONS

- Class AAAAAA Georgia Athletic Director’s Association Director’s Cup for Boys – Pope High School
- Class AAAAAAA Georgia Athletic Director’s Association Director’s Cup for Boys – Hillgrove High School
- Class AAAAAA Georgia Athletic Director’s Association Director’s Cup for Girls – Walton High School
- Class AAAAAAA Georgia Athletic Director’s Association Director’s Cup Overall – Walton High School
- Class AAAAAAA State Champion, Men’s Golf – Matthew Feste, Walton High School
- 40 Years of Service – Dale McClendon, Maintenance Department
- 40 Years of Service – George Burcher, Sprayberry High School
- 50 Years of Service – Annette Hansard, Osborne High School
- 2019 Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals & National School Public Relations Society of America Awards – Cobb County School District Communications Department
- High School Level Teacher of the Year – Hilary Minich, Lassiter High School
- Middle School Level Teacher of the Year – Casey Taylor, Pine Mountain Middle School
- Elementary School Level and District Teacher of the Year – Cindy Wadsworth, Kemp Elementary School

PUBLIC COMMENT
There were seven (7) public commenters.

ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Personnel Report
Administration recommended approval of the identified employment actions of the individuals listed on the Personnel Action Report as discussed in Executive Session:

Section I – Position Recommendations Principal Level and Higher
- Barney, Dr. Tiffany, Employment as Director, Career Academy from CTAE Program Specialist, Georgia Department of Education, Atlanta, GA effective September 16, 2019.
- Smith, Marc, Appointment to Chief Technology and Operations Officer from Chief Technology Officer effective immediately.

Section II – Position Recommendations Below Principal Level

Elementary School
- Almand, Bonnie, Assistant Principal, Keheley Elementary School, Resignation effective July 31, 2019.
- Green, Angela, Assistant Principal, Hollydale Elementary School, Retirement effective November 1, 2019.
- Rabil, Lauren, Appointment to Assistant Principal, Keheley Elementary School from School Leadership Intern, Sope Creek Elementary School effective August 23, 2019.
Middle School
- Coefield, Timothy, Appointment to Assistant Principal, Garrett Middle School from Teacher, Floyd Middle School effective August 23, 2019.
- Crump, Danielle, Appointment to Assistant Principal, Garrett Middle School from Academic Coach, Griffin Middle School effective August 23, 2019.
- Head, Monique, Assistant Principal, Garrett Middle School, Resignation effective August 19, 2019.
- Smalley, Janie, Appointment to Assistant Principal, Dickerson Middle School from Teacher, Dodgen Middle School effective August 23, 2019.

High School
- Strachan, Dr. Sean, Appointment to Assistant Principal, South Cobb High School from Counselor, Smitha Middle School effective August 23, 2019.
  - A motion was made by Mr. Scamihorn, seconded by Dr. Howard, and unanimously approved by the Board to accept the Personnel Action Report as presented in Executive Session. Motion carried 7-0.

ACTION AGENDA
CONSENT AGENDA ITEM #1 – Recommendation for Authorization of School Properties Disposal per District Administrative Rule DO-R

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  - Without objection, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT REMARKS
Board Members and the Superintendent commented on various events happening throughout the district, county, state, and nation.

ADJOURN
Without objection, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.