BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2023
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BOARD MEETING
The Cobb County Board of Education convened for a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Thursday, July 20, 2023, at 3:00 p.m., at 514 Glover Street, with the following members present: Messrs. Banks, Chastain, Hutchins, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Davis, Ms. Sayler, Mr. Ragsdale, Executive Secretary, and Ms. Wilcox, Interim Board Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Wheeler, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Mr. Wheeler, Board Chair, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT
There were two (2) public commenters.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Without objection, the Board approved the following meeting minutes:
• Thursday, June 15, 2023, Called Board Meeting - Whole Board Governance Training
• Thursday, June 15, 2023, Board Meeting
• Thursday, July 13, 2023, First and Second Tax Digest Hearings

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
• Monthly Board Financial Status Update
  o Chief Financial Officer Bradley Reuben Johnson presented the monthly school district financial status update to the Board. A copy of the monthly report was given to all Board Members.

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, July 20, 2023, 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, July 20, 2023, Board Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #2 – Authorization to Purchase One (1) Food Truck
- Without objection, this item was placed on the Consent Agenda for the Voting Session of the Thursday, July 20, 2023, Board Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #3 – Adopt Resolution Establishing Millage Rate
- Following discussion, without objection, this item was placed on the Discussion Agenda for the Voting Session of the Thursday, July 20, 2023, Board Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #4 – Designate Tribunal for Hearings Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 20-2-940 et seq. (the Fair Dismissal Act)
- Without objection, this item was placed on the Consent Agenda for the Voting Session of the Thursday, July 20, 2023, Board Meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE MODIFICATION

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Without objection, the Board approved modifications to the administrative rule.

BOARD BUSINESS
- Renewal of Existing Rules of Attendee Conduct for Public Meetings (For Potential Action) – Mr. Wheeler
  - A motion was made by Ms. Davis, seconded by Mr. Hutchins, and unanimously approved by the Board to renew the existing Rules of Attendee Conduct for Public Meetings. Motion carried 7-0.

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

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
A motion was made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Scamihorn, and approved by the Board at 5:08 p.m. to convene to Executive Session following a 10-minute break to discuss 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, July 20, 2023, with the following members present: Messrs. Banks, Chastain, Hutchins, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Davis, Ms. Sayler, Mr. Ragsdale, Executive Secretary, and Ms. Wilcox, Interim Board Attorney.

RECONVENE
Without objection, the Board reconvened at 7:01 p.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Mr. Wheeler, Board Chair, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT
- There were fifteen (15) public commenters.

ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION
PERSONNEL
Administration recommended approval of the identified employment actions of the individuals listed on the Personnel Action Report as discussed in Executive Session.

Section II – Position Recommendations Below Principal
Middle School
- Crook, Brandie, Appointment to Assistant Principal, Palmer Middle School from Teacher, Durham Middle School effective July 21, 2023
- Ellis, Candace, Appointment to Assistant Principal, Campbell Middle School from Academic Coach, Campbell Middle School effective July 21, 2023

High School
- Bouknight, Dr. Jacinta, Employment as Assistant Principal, Campbell High School from Assistant Principal, Kennedy Road Middle School, Griffin, GA effective July 24, 2023

o A motion was made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Hutchins, and unanimously approved by the Board to approve the Personnel Action Report as read and presented in Executive Session. Motion carried 7-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS
The Superintendent commented on various items occurring throughout the Cobb County School District.

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

ACTION AGENDA ITEM #2 – Authorization to Purchase One (1) Food Truck from Willy Dog, LTD in the amount of $211,550.40

ACTION AGENDA ITEM #4 – Designate Tribunal for Hearings Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 20-2-940 et seq. (the Fair Dismissal Act)

o Without objection, the Board approved the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

ACTION AGENDA:
DISCUSSION AGENDA:
ACTION AGENDA ITEM #3 – Adopt Resolution Establishing Millage Rate

o A motion was made by Mr. Chastain, seconded by Ms. Davis, to adopt the resolution establishing the millage rate at 18.70 Mills.
A motion was made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Hutchins, to amend the original motion to rollback the millage rate to 18.40 Mills. Following discussion, Messrs. Chastain, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Davis, and Ms. Sayler voted “Nay,” and Messrs. Banks and Hutchins voted “Yea.” Motion failed 5-2.

original motion passed with Messrs. Chastain, Hutchins, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Davis, and Ms. Sayler voting “Yea,” and Mr. Banks voting “Present.” Motion carried 6-0-1.

ADJOURN

Without objection, the Board adjourned at 7:49 p.m.