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**SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2024**

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The Cobb County Board of Education met for a Special Called Board Meeting on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., 514 Glover Street, with the following members present: Messrs. Banks, Chastain, Hutchins, Scamihorn, Wheeler, Ms. Sayler, Mr. Ragsdale, Executive Secretary, and Ms. Ams, Interim Board Attorney. Ms. Davis was absent for the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Scamihorn, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

DISCUSSION ITEM (FOR POTENTIAL ACTION)

Strengthening Fund Balance

- Mr. Ragsdale shared that when he became Superintendent, he pledged to the Board and the employees that he would not balance the budget on the backs of the employees. He further stated that the current economic indicators are the same that were present prior to the 2008 recession and that the county also realized a substantial tax digest growth decrease compared to what had been forecasted. For these reasons, Mr. Ragsdale informed the Board that although the need for this facility has not diminished, he could not continue to support the construction of the Multipurpose Educational Facility approved by the Board on March 23, 2023, at this time.
- Mr. Ragsdale requested the Board approve his current recommendation to rescinded the March 23, 2023, approval to construct the Multipurpose Educational Facility in order to maintain the strength of the school district's fund balance.
- A motion was made by Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Mr. Scamihorn, to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to rescind the previously approved March 23, 2023, recommendation to construct the Multipurpose Educational Facility.
- Following discussion, motion passed unanimously 6-0. Ms. Davis was not present for the vote.

ADJOURN

Without objection, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

CHAIRMAN

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY