MINUTES OF THE SEQUOYAH BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 11, 2023

President Jake Dowty called the September Sequoyah Board of Education meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the Conference Room.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT WERE: Gary Armstrong, Jake Dowty, Greg Perry, and Jeff Radley. **Others present were:** Mike Manlando, Heather Casey, Terry Saul, and Tamra Schultz.

Jeff Radley made the motion to approve item D of the procedural items, the minutes of a regular board meeting held on August 14, 2023. Gary Armstrong seconds the motion. <u>The votes were:</u> Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Gary Armstrong made the motion to approve Items E, F and G of the consent agenda. Greg Perry seconds the motion. <u>The votes were:</u> Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Jeff Radley made the motion to approve the Gifted and Talented Advisory Committee for the 2023-2024 school year. Greg Perry seconds the motion. <u>The votes were:</u> Gary Armstrong, **yes**, Jake Dowty, **yes**, Brian Green, **absent**, Greg Perry, **yes**, Jeff Radley, **yes**.

Greg Perry made the motion to approve the Residency Committee for the 2023-2024 school year. Jeff Radley seconds the motion. <u>The votes were:</u> Gary Armstrong, **yes**, Jake Dowty, **yes**, Brian Green, **absent**, Greg Perry, **yes**, Jeff Radley, **yes**.

Gary Armstrong made the motion to approve the employment of Stephen L. Smith Corporation as financial consultants to the School District for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Jeff Radley seconds the motion. The votes were: Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Gary Armstrong made the motion to approve the annual contract with Career Tech for programs being offered at Sequoyah High School for the 2023-2024 school year. Jeff Radley seconds the motion. <u>The votes were:</u> Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Greg Perry made the motion to allow credits to be given for mathematics, science, personal finance literacy and funds of technology courses for 11th and 12th grades from Career Tech for the 2023-2024 school year. Gary Armstrong seconds the motion. The votes were: Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Jeff Radley made the motion to approve Sequoyah School Policy (EFA-P, EFA-R1, EMC, FE). Greg Perry seconds the motion. <u>The votes were:</u> Gary Armstrong, **yes**, Jake Dowty, **yes**, Brian Green, **absent**, Greg Perry, **yes**, Jeff Radley, **yes**.

Gary Armstrong made the motion to approve the Smart Snack exemptions for the 2023-2024 school year. Greg Perry seconds the motion. <u>The votes were</u>: Gary Armstrong, **yes**, Jake Dowty, **yes**, Brian Green, **absent**, Greg Perry, **yes**, Jeff Radley, **yes**.

Gary Armstrong made the motion to approve surplus items (as listed). Jeff Radley seconds the motion. The votes were: Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Jeff Radley made the motion to approve the Sequoyah Public School Financial Statement for 2022-2023 and Estimate of Needs for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Greg Perry seconds the motion. <u>The votes were:</u> Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Greg Perry made the motion to approve the Budget by Function for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Jeff Radley seconds the motion. <u>The votes were:</u> Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Superintendent, Dr. Terry Saul, presented updates on bond construction projects.

The Board deferred going into executive session and to continue with agenda items in open session.

Jeff Radley made the motion to approve the recommendation to hire Carmen Vazquez as an Elementary Paraprofessional Tier II for the 2023-2024 school year. Greg Perry seconds the motion. The votes were: Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Greg Perry made the motion to approve the recommendation to hire Rachel Howell as an Elementary Library Paraprofessional Tier I for the 2023-2024 school year. Gary Armstrong seconds the motion. The votes were: Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Gary Armstrong made the motion to approve the recommendation to hire Denise Foster as a Child Nutrition Custodian (part-time) for the 2023-2024 school year. Jeff Radley seconds the motion. <u>The votes were</u>: Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

New Business: None

Jeff Radley made the motion to adjourn. Greg Perry seconds the motion. The time was 8:21 p.m. The votes were: Gary Armstrong, yes, Jake Dowty, yes, Brian Green, absent, Greg Perry, yes, Jeff Radley, yes.

Jake Dowty, President

Brian Green, Vice-President

Jeff Radley, **Elerk**

Gary Armstrong, **Membe**r

Greg Perry Member

Tamra/Schultz, Minutes Clerk