

CITY OF BAKER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING December 3, 2013

MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board met in the Board Room of the School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on December 3, 2013. Mrs. Shona Boxie, Board President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was taken by Mrs. Boxie:

WATSON: Absent
ALEXANDER: Present
BOXIE: Present
CARPENTER: Present
DAVIS: Present

A moment of silent meditation was led by Mrs. Davis, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Dr. Carpenter. Mrs. Boxie welcomed all visitors to the meeting.

Mrs. Boxie requested Item #11 on the agenda be re-worded as follows: "Report on the Wrestling Program at Baker High School."

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve the agenda with the noted change to Item #11. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Ms. Davis, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meeting of November 5, 2013. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the Superintendent's Personnel Appointments. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Dr. Carpenter seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the addition of a Janitor position at Baker High School with modifications to the job description. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to ask the Superintendent and his staff to come back to the Board with proposals from three (3) firms to do an assessment of the City of Baker School System salary schedules. The cost associated with the proposals should be within the School System's budget. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander and Davis. Voting no: None.

Ms. Traci Morgan, Principal of Baker High School, reported that the High School's wrestling team currently has eight (8) members and staff is recruiting for more.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to grant approval for staff to study the feasibility of adding three (3) grade levels to Park Ridge Academic Magnet School, making it a K-8 school, with findings/recommendations to be presented at the January, 2014 Board meeting. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter and Davis. Voting no: Alexander.

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On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to approve a contract with Patrice Becnel to provide after-school tutoring for students who reside in Baker but attend Redemptorist Elementary School. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander and Davis. Voting no: None.

Superintendent Joseph reported that Baker Heights Elementary School, Park Ridge Academic Magnet School, Baker Middle School and Baker High School are utilizing after-school behavior clinics. He also reported that he was unsure whether or not Bakerfield Elementary School was holding after-school behavior clinics because the Principal of the school had not responded to his request for information.

Superintendent Joseph made the following announcements:

- 1. He, as well as some of the Board and representatives of the City of Baker, attended the State Review Committee regarding the nomination of the Baker High School Auditorium to the National Register of Historic Places on November 21, 2013.
- 2. The City of Baker School System will host a Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 11, 2013, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at Baker Middle School. Everyone is invited.

Mrs. Boxie thanked those in attendance for coming and announced that the next meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, January 7, 2014, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the School Board Office.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Dr. Carpenter, the Board voted to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Voting yes: Boxie, Carpenter, Alexander and Davis. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Ulysses Joseph, Secretary.