



## City of Baker School Board Meeting February 7, 2017

### MINUTES

The City of Baker School Board met in regular session in the Board Room of the City of Baker School Board Office beginning at 6:00 p.m. on February 7, 2017.

Mrs. Rosatina Johnson, Board President, called the meeting to order.

A roll call was taken by Mrs. Johnson:

DEES:	Present
BOXIE:	Present
DAVIS:	Present
CARPENTER:	Present
JOHNSON:	Present

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

On motion of Mrs. Boxie seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the agenda. Voting yes: Johnson, Carpenter, Boxie, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mr. Dees seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meeting of January 10, 2017. Voting yes: Johnson, Carpenter, Boxie, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to accept the Superintendent's certified personnel recommendations and to approve the non-certified personnel recommendations. Voting yes: Johnson, Carpenter, Boxie, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

Ms. Alix Gruden and Ms. Tiffani Dorsa, with Postlethwaite & Netterville, presented an overview of the City of Baker School System's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2016. Following the presentation, a motion was made by Mrs. Davis to approve the report from Postlethwaite & Netterville on the City of Baker School System audit for 2015-2016. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dees. Voting yes: Johnson, Carpenter, Boxie, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

Mrs. Davis thanked Postlethwaite & Netterville for completing the audit in a timely manner, and commended Superintendent Brister and his staff for their work.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board granted approval for the Baker High School band to travel to Dallas, Texas to participate in a "Symphonic Band Performance, College Awareness & Cultural Experience Tour" on April 6-9, 2017.

Superintendent Brister made the following announcements/remarks:

1. Our basketball team is doing well. We expect to make the playoffs this year.
2. I will meet with our Strategic Planning facilitator February 27<sup>th</sup> to plan for the continuation of our work on the development of a strategic plan for the District.
3. We will be closing on the Tillage Management Group contract soon and will bring it to the Board for approval.
4. Flood restoration work was conducted at Baker Heights Elementary School over the Christmas break.
5. We are expecting a final site assessment next week on Baker High School which will determine the scope of work to be done.
6. We expect to hear from our bonding attorney within the next 2 weeks.
7. We are expecting another reduction relative to state funding. Although we are expecting a small surplus from our fiscal year ending 2016, we must still work on tightening our budget even more.
8. Lastly, we are still in need of incentives for Baker Middle School relative to High Stakes Testing. If you know of any organization or company who might be willing to contribute, please let me know.

Mrs. Johnson thanked those in attendance for coming and announced the next meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, 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 Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. Voting yes: Johnson, Carpenter, Boxie, Davis and Dees. Voting no: None.

Submitted by Dr. Herman Brister, Secretary.