



**City of Baker School Board  
April 13, 2021**

**MINUTES**

The City of Baker School Board held a public meeting via Zoom beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

President Parker explained that while conducting Board Meetings via Zoom, the public can attend the meeting and also ask questions/make comments by using the email address: [comments@bakerschools.org](mailto:comments@bakerschools.org). Since the meeting is virtual, all votes will be taken by roll call.

President Parker called the meeting to order and took roll call:

BURGES:	Present
BOXIE:	Present
DAVIS:	Present
BOOKER:	Present
PARKER:	Present

A moment of silent meditation was led by Mrs. Davis, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Boxie.

President Parker welcomed all persons participating in the meeting.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Ms. Booker, the Board voted to adopt the *Certification of Inability to Achieve In-person Quorum & Notice to Meet through Electronic Means*. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

President Parker asked for a motion to consider all items on the agenda (Act 42 of 2020, 2nd Extraordinary Session).

Mrs. Burges made a motion to delete Item #16 from the agenda:

“Consideration and Approval to Terminate Contract with Manning Architects”

Mrs. Davis seconded Mrs. Burges’ motion. Discussion ensued and a vote was taken. Voting yes: Burges and Davis. Voting no: Parker, Boxie and Booker.

President Parker asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Boxie made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Booker seconded the motion. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie and Booker. Voting no: Burges and Davis.

De'Ette Perry, Ed.D., Interim Superintendent presented Quest to Excellence Awards to:

- Mr. Charles Harris, III  
Mr. Harris is an Academic Counselor at Baker High School. He also serves as the head girls' basketball coach, assistant football coach, assistant boys' basketball coach and assistant track coach. He has taught for five years and coached for over 20 years. As a coach, he has won the 6-A State Championship in 2006 in the state of Florida, and has volunteered and worked with students in the Baker Community for the past 14 years where he and his family reside. Mr. Harris has three beautiful children who all graduated from Baker High School. He comes from a family who values hard work and commitment. He enjoys molding young people and teaching through the game of sport. He believes that if he can get their attention, then he can teach the game of life.
- Ms. Dashanay "Day" Russell  
Ms. Day Russell is a mathematics and STEM teacher at Baker High School. She also serves as the assistant girls' basketball coach and assistant track coach. Coach Russell is a 2012 graduate of Baker High School. Coach Russell comes from a family of educators who nurtured her love for education. She enjoys teaching and helping to develop the minds of students. She believes that wherever relationships happen, education happens. As a result, she makes it a point to build relationships with her students. Everyday and in every way, she is motivated to show up because of her passion for learning and her compassion for others.

Dr. Perry recognized the members of the Baker High School Lady Buffs basketball Team for an awesome 2020-2021 season:

Jordan Harris	Tallyah Harper
Emerie Robertson	Imani Mellion
Neveah Kimmie	Chyna Royal
O'Darrionna Finley	Rashine Lewis
Terrica Jordan	Jaionna Lewis

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to approve the minutes from the meetings of March 2, 2021, March 11, 2021 and March 16, 2021. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

Mr. David Grisby, Human Resources Supervisor, presented the Interim Superintendent's personnel appointments. On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to accept the certified personnel appointments and to accept the non-certified personnel appointments. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Boxie seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to approve the Annual Audit Report Year Ended June 30, 2020, prepared by Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC as presented by Mr. Mathew E. Margaglio, CPA. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to renew the agreement with Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC (Certified Public Accountants) to provide services year ended June 30, 2021 and 2022. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Burges seconded by Mrs. Davis, the Board voted to accept the monthly financial report including budget to actual comparisons for the period ending February 28, 2021, as presented by Mrs. Sidney Stewart, Business Manager. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Mrs. Burges to remove Agenda Item #16 from the agenda: "Consideration and Approval to Terminate Contract with Manning Architects". The motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis. Mrs. Burges then amended her motion from "delete" to "table" Agenda Item #16. The amended motion was seconded by Mrs. Davis. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Boxie seconded by Ms. Booker, the Board voted to authorize the issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the rehabilitation of Baker High School, said proposal will include but not be limited to architectural, engineering, financing and/or construction services. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to approve the renewal of flood insurance with Wright National Flood Insurance Company for the period April 16, 2001 to April 16, 2022. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker, Burges and Davis. Voting no: None.

On motion of Mrs. Boxie seconded by Mrs. Booker, the Board voted to award the lawn maintenance services contract to MCC Landscape and Lawn, LLC for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Voting yes: Parker, Boxie, Booker and Burges. Voting no: Davis.

Interim Superintendent Perry had no remarks.

President Parker thanked those participating in the meeting and announced the next meeting of the City of Baker School Board would be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, beginning at 6:00 p.m. On Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, the Board will interview finalists for the position of Superintendent of the City of Baker School System beginning at 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Davis seconded by Mrs. Boxie, the Board voted to adjourn at 7:53 p.m.

Submitted by De'Ette Perry, Ed.D., Interim Secretary.