

**Cartersville Board of Education
Minutes
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Held at the Cartersville School Board, Cartersville, GA

March 5, 1953

The Cartersville Board of Education met with the following members present; John Hodge, James Smith, Harold Choate, Glenn Williamson and J.H. Gilreath, Jr.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

There was further discussion on the Old Home Economics Building. It was agreed that the two garden clubs be written another letter leaving off the paragraph concerning Mrs. Kenny, the dancing teacher and the Girl Scouts and pointing out that they go to the City Council and ask for the needed repairs through them.

Following this there was some discussion on misfortune of the Negro Gym burning. It was unanimously agreed that they be allowed to use the old Cherokee Ave., Gym for their tournaments. A motion was made by Harold Choate, seconded by Glenn Williamson that we instruct our architect to draw plans for a new negro gym in connection with the New Negro High School. Motion carried.

A motion was made and carried resolved that the Athletic Committee be allowed to make expenditures not to exceed \$100.00 without approval of the School Board and that all expenditures exceeding \$100.00 or any projects to raise money be approved by the Board.

A motion was made and passed that the School Board give their approval for the Football Team to be carried on a Summer Camp provided the necessary funds can be raised. This motion was made by Harold Choate and seconded by James Smith.

A motion was made and passed resolved that the City Board of Education agrees, to the use of the Cherokee Ave., Gym by the youth of Cartersville provided the City of Cartersville or some responsible organization sponsor adult supervision.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


J.H. Gilreath Jr., Sec.

March 26, 1953

The Cartersville Board of Education met at the Cherokee Ave., Grammar School in a special call meeting with the City Council. All of the Board Members were present and of the City Council, Fowler Cook, Paul Layton, Norman Norris, Charles Cowan and City Manager, Riley Milan.

This meeting was called principally to discuss and study plans for the new Negro High School, and a gym to replace the one which burned, as well as plans for the new City Auditorium to be added to our High School, a workshop and Stadium. Mr. Redfern, our architect was present to aid in our discussion.

After much discussion it was agreed we needed more information which Mr. Redfern was to furnish before the next Council meeting.

A motion for adjournment was made after a call meeting was set for Monday night, March 30th at 8 o'clock P.M. at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

J.H. Gilreath Jr.
J.H. Gilreath Jr., Sec.

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The Cartersville Board of Education met at the City Hall with all members present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Secretary was instructed to write the Garden Clubs giving the date of the next meeting.

A motion was made by Harold Choate and seconded by James Smith that we formally accept the letter of commitment from the State Building Authority for the construction of School facility for the City of Cartersville.

A motion was made by Harold Choate and seconded by Glenn Williamson that the Superintendent be re-elected only upon formal application and Mr. Brandon be notified and that we meet again Thursday, April 2, to pass on election of the Superintendent.

There being no further business meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Gilreath Jr.
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List of proposed School facilities presented to City Council.

1250 Seat Auditorium	171,000.00
Equip w/ Seats	15,000.00
Workshop	30,000.00
Workshop Equipment	5,000.00
Negro Gym.	65,000.00
Stadium	65,000.00

Titles for school property must be ready to convey to the State Building Authority.

August 5, 1953.

The Cartersville Board of Education met with the following members present; John Hodge, James Smith, Harold Choate and J.H. Gilreath, Jr., Supt. Brandon was also present.

Mrs. Marilou Mumford came before the board asking for a definite place to hold her kindergarten and explaining her kindergarten program After presenting her program she excused herself from the meeting.

A motion was made resolved that Mr. Brandon work out some place with sufficient space for Mrs. Mumford's Kindergarten in the old High School Building. Mrs. Mumford was to pay for all repairs or painting in the room or rooms to be selected. Mrs. Mumford was also to continue to pay \$20.00 per month to cover the cost of lights, water, heat, etc., The above motion was made by Harold Choate, seconded by James Smith and voted on favorably.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Supt. Brandon reported on the new School Bus. After some discussion it was agreed that Mr. Brandon would appoint one of the Coaches to be responsible for the upkeep of the bus and to drive it. It was also agreed to let the City carry the insurance.

Problem of locating the Negro Gym., was discussed. Location was to be made by the Architect upon his receipt of a topographic map of the negro school grounds.

Supt. Brandon presented the following new teachers to the Board for acceptance: Miss Joe Anna Rainey, Music Teacher, James Whittle, Asst. Coach, Miss Jammie Parsons, 6th Grade, Mrs. Fritz Shaw, 3rd Grade, Mrs. Ruth Harris, reserve 1st grade, Miss Ratchel Christopher Librarian, Miss Frances Lane, Home Economics, Mrs. H.H. Phillips, Visiting Teacher, and substitute. A motion was made by J.H. Gilreath, Jr., seconded by James Smith, that the above teachers be accepted as listed. The motion carried.

The 1953-54 School Budget was studied and upon a motion by J.H. Gilreath Jr., seconded by James Smith was adopted. A copy of this Budget is filed with other important correspondence and documents in possession of the Secretary.

The subject of some atheletic equipment for the negro school was discussed. A motion was made giving Prof. Morgan authority to buy approximately \$2600.00 worth of atheletic equipment to be paid for out of the colored atheletic funds. Motion carried.

A motion was made resolved that Miss Polly Pierce, a girl G.E.A. be given a Cartersville High School diploma in as much as she now holds a State High School diploma which she received upon the satisfactory completion of a State Test. Motion carried.

It was pointed out that the Cafeteria would need additional deep freeze units to store food supplies. A motion was made

7/9/54

The Cartersville Board of Education met in regular adjourned meeting with following members present. Pres. Gilreath, J.L. Davis, W.H. Bradley and H.J. Choate. James Smith was absent due to illness. Supt. Acree met with the Board.

The motion made by H.J. Choate, seconded by J.L. Davis, that equipment and supplies needed for the opening of school be ordered. Such equipment and supplies be bought on competitive basis. Motion carried.

The question of Miss Freddie Mae Bass not being in Cartersville was discussed. It was suggested that before any action be taken that Supt. Acree contact her requesting her to return to Cartersville and resume her duties. It was also suggested that Supt. Acree work out her schedule for the future in regard to duty hours, holidays and vacations. Motion made by H.J. Choate, seconded by W.H. Bradley, that Miss Bass' contract run concurrently with that of the Supt. Motion carried.

Motion made by J.L. Davis, seconded by H.J. Choate that before any child be permitted to enter Cartersville Public Schools that they must have small pox vaccination and diphtheria inoculation. Motion carried.

The question of joining the Ga. School Board Ass., was brought to the Board's attention.

Motion made by W.H. Bradley, seconded by H.J. Choate, that we join for the school year 1954-55. Motion carried.

The athletic program was discussed. The Board was informed that a football camp be held again this year. The lack of finances seemed to make it inadvisable. Supt. Acree requested that permission be given the Coaches to conduct the foot ball camp provided funds could be made available.

Motion made by H.J. Choate, seconded by W.H. Bradley, that the above request be approved. Motion carried.

The question of insurance for football players of the junior team was discussed. Also the advisability of a football term for Douglas St., and Cherokee Ave., was discussed. The Board endorsed the program.

The State Bldg. program was again discussed. Motion made by J.L. Davis, seconded by W.H. Bradley that all building projects in the original priority listing remain the same with the exception of the Summer Hill Elementary Project and that it be dropped. Motion carried.

A resolution from the Cartersville Board of Education to the State Building authority was presented by Supt. Acree upon request of Albany Architects.

Motion made by J.L. Davis, seconded by W.H. Bradley, that the attached resolution be approved. Motion carried.

The question of revising the School Budget for the year 1954-55 was discussed. After much discussion by all members present the Board agreed to exert every effort possible toward cooperating with the City Council. It was pointed out in the discussion that the School Board had never been officially why the budget was disapproved nor had it been returned for consideration. It was agreed to reduce the budget in the amount of \$5200

July 28 , 1954.

The call meeting of the Cartersville Board of Education was held in the Library of the High School at 9:30 A.M., for the purpose of discussing the building projects. Those present being Pres. Gilreath, James Smith, W.H. Bradley, J.L. Davis, Supt. Jack Acree, Mr. J. Cohn of Albany Architects and H.J. Choate.

After much discussion, a motion was made by J.L. Davis, seconded by W.H. Bradley, that the Board revise its priority list for the new buildings, placing as

- No. 1 Summers Hill High School -
- No. 2 Cartersville High School Auditorium.
- No. 3 Shop Building -
- No. 4 Stadium-
- No. 5 Cherokee Ave., Cafeteria -
- No. 6 Summers Hill Elementary School.

Motion carried.

A motion made by J.L. Davis seconded by James Smith that we approve the payment of architects' fees to date pending approval of the plans by State Building Authority. Motion carried.

At the request of the Board, H.J. Choate, accompanied Mr. J. Cohn to the State Building Authority's office for the purpose of presenting the resolution revising our priority lists. Said resolution is attached to these minutes.

Motion made by W.H. Bradley, seconded by J.L. Davis to postpone the regular meeting of the Board from Thurs. July 1 to Wednesday, July 7. Motion carried. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Signed,


H.J. Choate, Sec.

Minutes Approved.

Sept. 2, 1954.

The Cartersville Board of Education met in regular session with all members present except J.L.Davis. Supt. Acree was present as well as reporters from Tribune News and The Bartow Herald. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Supt Acree presented bills in the amount of \$319.52. Motion made by H.J.Choate, seconded by W.H.Bradley, to approve the bill. Motion carried. Copy attached to minutes.

Supt. Acree reported that Mrs. Byars had resigned. The following teachers together with salaries were recommended by the Supt.

Mrs. Mary Johnson -----	\$2450	per year
Mrs. Allan Finkle	2450	" "
Mrs. Ted Guthrie	3000	" "
Mrs. Norman Dougherty	2350	" "
Mr. Glenn Patterson	680	for 2 mo.

Motion made by W.H.Bradley, seconded by H.J.Choate, that the above teachers and salaries be approved. Motion carried.

Motion made by W.H.Bradley seconded by Jas. Smith that another 3rd grade be added to Douglas St., and a 6th grade from Douglas St., be moved to Old High School Bldg., on Cherokee. Motion carried.

The D.C.T. program was reported on by Supt. Acree.

The question of money raising campaigns in the school were discussed. Motion made by H.J.Choate, seconded by James Smith, that any such campaigns other than for school purposes be discontinued. Motion carried.

Supt. Acree reported that the Building Program had been advertised and that the bids would be opened on Oct. 5. It was reported by the Supt. that he had received bids and had purchased 103 window shades.

The Supt. reported on the Midget football program.

The purchase of surplus equipment was reported.

The question of Social Security for Lunch Room workers was presented by the Supt. together with a resolution for the Board to consider. Motion made by H.J.Choate, seconded by W.H.Bradley that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried. Copy of resolution attached to minutes.

Supt. Acree presented the problem of colored children missing school to pick cotton. Motion made by W.H. Bradley, seconded by Jas. Smith that only those children whose parents are farm owners or share croppers and who need their children to help harvest the crop be excused upon parent's request. Motion carried.

The card system that parents are to sign giving permission for children leaving the school grounds during lunch hour was explained to the board by Supt. Acree.

June 2, 1955

The Cartersville Board of Education met in regular session with all members present. Supt. Acree met with the Board as well as representatives from the press.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$779.81 were presented to the Board. Motion made by H.J.Choate and seconded by W.H.Bradley that bills as presented be approved for payment. Motion carried.

Supt.Acree reported that there were 139 students for the 6 first grades registered to date.

Supt.Acree reported on the D.C.T.Program in regard to Mr.Harrison stating that when he, Mr.Harrison and Mr.Parker interviewed students for the next year that there were 16 interested but the number has since dropped to eight and since he originally recommended him with the provision that he be employed provided there were enough students enrolled to warrant this D.C.T.,program. The number necessary to qualify this program being 12, Mr.Acree asked that the board instruct him of their wishes on the matter. Mr.Bradley asked for recognition from the chair. Upon being recognized he stated he wanted to make a motion provided he could make a second motion following. Mr.Bradley's first motion was; "I move we rescind Mr.Harrison's election as D.C.T.,co-ordinator in order to remove the provision under which he was elected." Motion seconded by J.L.Davis. Motion carried.

Then Mr.Bradley made a second motion which was seconded by H.J.Choate that Mr.Harrison be employed as a H.T.C.,co-ordinator together with the duties of Supervisor of the Veteran Schools, a teacher in the High School and as Adult Educational Supervisor for the school year 1955-56 at a salary of \$5100 a year. Motion carried.

Supt.Acree reported on our old colored Elementary School Building stating that we had been relieved by the State of any expenditures on it at this time.

Supt.Acree reported that the Stadium was 78% completed and that the City was working on the Football field.

It was decided that some form of Dedicatory Exercise be held for this and other new projects at the opening of our Football Season on the night of Sept. 2, and J.L.Davis was requested to ask the Governor to be present and take part in the program.

Supt Acree reported that Summer School would be held starting Monday with Miss Trippe and Mr.Harvell teaching in the High School with teachers for the Elementary School to be selected.

A Budgetary Statement was presented by Supt. Acree for the school year 1955-56 for study and future adoption.

Supt. Acree presented a Summary Report of the visiting teacher. Motion made by J.L.Davis seconded by James Smith that Mrs. Phillips contract be rescinded in view of her not having a Visiting Teacher's certificate. Motion did not carry.

At this point H.J.Choate expressed appreciation to Supt.Acree for the outstanding accomplishments for the schools for the year 1954-55. Innumrating the following:

1. The early requisitioning of School Supplies, That they be ready for opening of school for both colored and white.
2. The planning of curriculum with the teachers being given a chance to participate.
3. The development of a program enabling teachers, pupils and parents to know what was expected.
4. His keeping the Board informed at all times by letters or personal contact of affairs of the school.

June 15, 1955

Wednesday, June 15, 1955, at 8:00 P.M., there was a call meeting of the Cartersville School Board at the City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by President James R. Smith with the following other board members present: Woodrow Bradley, J. L. Davis, J. C. Nelson, Jr., and Sherman Parmenter. In addition to the board members present, there were J. C. Acree, Superintendent of Schools and one representative each from The Bartow Herald and The Tribune News.

At the request of the treasurer of the Band Boosters organization it was voted to instruct said treasurer to turn the funds of the Band Boosters organization over to the City treasurer.

A discussion of the new high school athletic field was carried on and Sherman Parmenter was instructed by President Smith to contact members of the City Council to secure seeding of this field as soon as possible.

Equipment of the various new school buildings now under construction were discussed. Supt. Acree had prepared proposed equipment lists and shown below are the properties discussed and the estimated maximum cost to equip each:

Cherokee Avenue School Cafeteria.....	\$10,461.
Summer Hill Cafeteria.....	11,132.
Negro High School Shop.....	4,000.
Stage Curtains on the John H. Morgan High School Stage.....	1,235.
Cartersville High School Shop.....	5,500.
Negro High School equipment.....	11,577.36

Supt Acree was instructed to get bids on this equipment for each item.

Supt Acree outlined the manner in which teachers and principals assisted him in preparing the developed criteria of school supplies for each classroom for the coming school year. The estimated cost of these supplies is \$10,000.

Supt Acree advised that the school budget for the coming year was at present quite indefinite because of pending tax matters in the State Legislature. Everybody was in agreement on this.

Supt Acree advised tentatively that there would be 79 teachers in the City School System for the coming year. Only 7 of this number would have to be paid fully by the City as the State furnished funds on 67 and the county on 5. These figures did not include D C T and visiting teacher nor any of the administrative staff.

Supt. Acree advised that all required reports had been sent in to the

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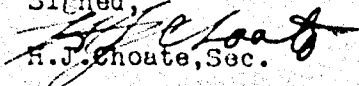
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