Status: REVIEWED

Board Policy BHB: Nepotism

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Nepotism

In compliance with Georgia Board of Education Rule 160-5-1-.36 Local School Board Governance, the Gilmer Board of Education ("the Board") adopts the following nepotism provisions:

No person who has an immediate family member sitting on the Board or serving as the Superintendent or as a principal, assistant principal, or system administrative staff shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Board, provided that the immediate family member's employment in his or her position began on or after January 1, 2010. This paragraph shall apply only to Board members elected or appointed on or after July 1, 2009. Nothing in this paragraph shall affect the employment of any person who was employed by the Board on or before July 1, 2009, or who is employed by the Board when an immediate family member becomes a Board member.

No person shall be eligible to be appointed, employed, or to serve as the Superintendent of Schools who has an immediate family member sitting on the Board or who has an immediate family member hired as or promoted to a position as principal, assistant principal, or system administrative staff on or after July 1, 2009, provided that the immediate family member's employment in his or her position began on or after January 1, 2010. Nothing in this paragraph shall affect the employment of any person who was employed on or before July 1, 2009, or who is employed when an immediate family member becomes the Superintendent.

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Board Policy DC: Annual Operating Budget

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Annual Operating Budget

A budget for the Gilmer County Charter School System ("System") shall be prepared annually and submitted to the Gilmer County Board of Education ("Board"). The system budget will be based on tax revenues during the fiscal year of the proposed budget.

The Board must approve and submit the annual budget as required by Georgia Law and State Board of Education rules and policies. The Superintendent is authorized and directed to spend funds of the Board in accordance with this policy and other approved policies and procedures.

Level of Budgetary Control

The Board will adopt the non-appropriated annual budget at the aggregate level of control. The Board will prepare and present the annual budget by fund type, fund, and function for management control; however, the level of budgetary control will be set at the aggregate level.

The Superintendent is authorized by the Board to have the authority to approve expenditures of less than 5% above the aggregate level and to transfer appropriations within the aggregate level.

Annual budgets are adopted for all funds except trust and agency funds.

Periodic Budget Reconciliation

The Gilmer County Charter School System ("System") shall perform monthly budget reviews to determine if receipts and expenditures are in keeping with budgeted figures. The Superintendent will then be in position to make reports to the Gilmer County Board of Education ("Board") of needed action to withdraw and/or reassign expenditure of funds. Such review will cover the anticipated amount/time of receipts and the required expenditures for programs/projects included in the System's annual budget.

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Board Policy IDDD: Gifted Student Programs

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Gifted Student Programs

The Gilmer County Board of Education ("Board") shall identify and serve gifted students as prescribed by state law and the State Board of Education ("SBOE") Rule 160-4-2-.38 Education Program for Gifted Students and the Rule's accompanying guidance.

The Superintendent or designee is authorized to develop administrative procedures for the operation of the district's gifted education program and implementation of curricula for gifted students. Such administrative procedures shall be made available to the public and to the Georgia Department of Education and shall address, at a minimum, the following areas in accordance with the SBOE Rule:

- 1. Notification to parents of information related to specific aspects of the gifted education programas required by the SBOE rule; and
- 2. Continuation criteria, developed in accordance with the SBOE rule requirements, that allow students identified as eligible for gifted services to continue to receive such services.

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Board Policy JBCC: Student Assignment

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Student Assignment

Attendance Required in Assigned Zones

All children residing in Gilmer County are required to enroll in the school of the attendance zones in which they reside unless special authorization is given by the Board. Attendance zones are designated by the Board of Education. Transportation is not provided for a child attending school out of the attendance area zone.

Change of Residence

In the event that a pupil changes residence from one attendance zones to another, the pupil will be allowed to continue attendance in the school of the zone from which he/she moved for the remainder of the school year with the parent/guardian providing provided transportation—is available.

Student Assignment of Employees Children

State Law 20-2-293(b) states "a student shall be allowed to attend and be enrolled in the school in which a parent or guardian of such student is a full-time teacher, professional or other employee, notwithstanding the fact that such school is not located in the local unit of administration in which such student resides."

Students of employees may attend the attendance school zone of their parent/guardian's convenience* provided the child's admission does not exceed the maximum class size for the school. The parent must apply to the principal of the "out of zone school" each year for review and potential admission. Applications will be taken during May of each year. The parent must provide the transportation for a student attending an "out of zone school."

- * Parent/Guardian's (Employee) "Convenience" is defined as follows:
 - 1. The schools where the parent/guardian works if the student is at that grade level.
 - 2. The school located on the nearest route between the residence of the parent/guardian and the workplace of the parent/guardian if the student is not enrolled in the grade level of the parent/guardian's workplace.
 - 3. Serious extenuating circumstance(s) as approved by the Board of Education.
 - 4. An employee parent/guardian's convenience is not defined as "preference." Placement at schools for athletic or extracurricular purposes does not qualify as a serious extenuating circumstance.

Status: DRAFT

Board Policy BCBD: Board Meeting Agendas

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Board Meeting Agendas

Any Gilmer County Board of Education ("Board") member may suggest items of business to the board chairperson ("Chair") for inclusion on a proposed agenda. The inclusion of items suggested by staff members, students, or citizens shall be at the discretion of the board chairperson ("Chair") Chair and the superintendent. The final agenda for each meeting shall be approved by a majority of the members present at each meeting of the board.

The agenda, together with supporting materials, shall be made available to board members prior to the board meeting, if at all possible, to permit them to give items of business careful consideration. Action by the board on agenda items will occur only when a majority of the board members agree that they are adequately and sufficiently prepared to take formal action. The proposed agenda and appropriate agenda materials shall also be made available prior to the meeting to any individual or organization submitting a request.

Items of business that are not on the proposed agenda may be placed on the final agenda adopted for discussion and/or action at the same meeting upon an affirmative vote of the majority of the Board members present.