

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 2026

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at the District Office, 1000 Brookhaven Drive, Aiken, SC at 6:00 p.m. In accordance with S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, amended Section 30-4-80, the print and broadcast news media were notified of the time, date, place, and web location of this meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Cameron Nuessle, Chairman
Dr. John Bradley, Vice Chair
Mr. Jim Broome
Mr. Colen Lindell
Ms. Patrice Rhinehart-Jackson
Mr. Brian Silas
Mrs. Deborah Tyler
Mrs. Liz Morris
Mr. Barry Moulton

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Tim Yarborough, Chief Officer of Operations and Student Services
Mrs. Kim Waters, District Office Manager to the Superintendent and the Board of Education

Chairman Nuessle called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

Chairman Nuessle led Moment of Silence and Pledge.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chairman Nuessle stated if there were no objections the agenda would stand as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 2026, were presented for approval; Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 2026; SECONDED by Mr. Lindell; MOTION carried on a vote of 9-0; MOTION CARRIED.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

No Items This Meeting

SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

No Items This Meeting

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Public Participation

No Items This Meeting

- Office of the Board Chairman

No Items This Meeting

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS

- A-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to approve lists of administrative, certified, and classified personnel for school year 2025-2026; SECONDED by Mr. Lindell; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 9-0.
- A-2 ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE FIVE-YEAR FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN: Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to approve the annual review of the five-year facility improvement plan; SECONDED by Mr. Lindell; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 9-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

- B-1 RELEASE FROM ACPSD REQUESTS: Superintendent Murphy recommended the Board approve the students be released for out-of-district transfer from Aiken County Public School District.
- B-2 REQUEST TO ADMIT FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS: Superintendent Murphy recommended the Board approve the request to admit foreign exchange students into the School District of Aiken County.
- B-3 WALTHER FARMS, LLC. DONATION O SILVER BLUFF HIGH SCHOOL-FY26: Superintendent Murphy recommended the Board accept the donation to Silver Bluff High School from Walther Farms, LLC. for FY26.
- B-4 ANONYMOUS DONATION TO RIDGE SPRING-MONETTA MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL AND WAGENER-SALLEY HIGH SCHOOL-FY26: Superintendent Murphy recommended the Board accept the anonymous donation to Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle/High School and Wagener-Salley High School for FY26.
- B-5 CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1- AIKEN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS-BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FIELD LIGHTING REPLACEMENT AT SILVER BLUFF AND MIDLAND VALLEY HIGH SCHOOLS: Superintendent Murphy recommended the Board approve the Change Order Number 1 for Aiken County Public Schools- Baseball and Softball field lighting replacement at Silver Bluff and Midland Valley High Schools.

Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-5 as presented; SECONDED by Mr. Lindell; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 9-0.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- C-1 SC MEASLES OUTBREAK UPDATE: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

1. AGENDA ITEMS SUBMITTED BY INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

No Items This Meeting

2. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESSED TO BOARD MEMBERS

No Items This Meeting

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent's Update

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Nuessle announced the Board would need a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering the following matters in such order as the Board deems appropriate. Student Matters – A.) Student Appeal- Area Three.

Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Lindell; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY,9-0.

Regular Session recessed at 6:36 p.m.

Executive Session convened at 6:46 p.m.

Regular Session resumed at 7:07 p.m.

Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to Return to Regular Session; SECONDED by Mr. Lindell; MOTION CARRIED, 8-0.

Chairman Nuessle announced while in Executive Session the board considered or received information concerning the following matter for the purpose of considering the

following matters in such order as the Board deems appropriate. Student Matters – A.)
Student Appeal-Area Three.

STUDENT MATTERS

A.) Student Appeal – Area Three: Mr. Lindell MOVED to uphold the recommendation of the District regarding the student appeal; SECONDED BY Mr. Silas; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 8-0. (Mr. Moulton was absent for vote.)

Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Lindell; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 8-0 (Mr. Moulton was absent for vote). The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY: Kim Waters *Kim Waters*

APPROVED: