

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 12, 2022

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 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, print and broadcast news media were notified of the time, date, place, and web location of this meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. John Bradley, Chairman
Mr. Cameron Nuessle, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Jason Crane
Dr. Patricia Hanks
Mr. Barry Moulton
Mr. Brian Silas
Mrs. Sandra Shealey
Mr. Dwight Smith

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Patrice Rhinehart-Jackson

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. King Laurence, Superintendent

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

Moment of Silence and Pledge were led by Chairman Bradley

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 14, 2022 were presented for approval; Mr. Crane MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 14, 2022; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Minutes of the Special Called Meeting on June 21, 2022 were presented for approval; Mr. Silas MOVED to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting on June 21, 2022; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- No Requests This Meeting.

OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

- No Items This Meeting

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS

A-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Silas MOVED to approve lists of Administrative Personnel for school year 2022-23; certified personnel for school year 2022-23, certified retiree rehires for school year 2022-2023, classified personnel for school year 2022-23, classified retiree rehires for school year 2022-23, classified personnel for school year 2021-22, certified supplemental personnel for school year 2022-23, classified supplemental personnel for school year 2022-23, non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2022-23; SECONDED by Dr. Hanks; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-1 (Mr. Moulton opposed).

- A-2 REVISION OF THE FOLLOWING POLICY: POLICY JICJ PAGING DEVICES, CELL PHONES, AND OTHER PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES, SECOND READING: Mrs. Shealey MOVED to approve Policy JICJ Paging Devices, Cell Phones, and Other Personal Electronic Devices, Second Reading; SECONDED by Dr. Hanks; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY;
- A-3 REVISION OF THE FOLLOWING POLICY: POLICY IHBH CHARTER SCHOOLS, SECOND READING: Mr. Silas MOVED to approve Policy IHBH Charter Schools, Second Reading ; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-4 APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING POLICY: POLICY EBCB SAFETY PLANS AND DRILLS, FIRST READING: Mr. Crane MOVED to approve the following administrative rule and policies: Policy EBCB Safety Plans and Drills, First Reading; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-5 REVISION OF THE FOLLOWING POLICY: POLICY ICA SCHOOL CALENDAR, FIRST READING; Dr. Hanks MOVED to approve the following policy: Policy ICA School Calendar; SECONDED by Mrs., Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-6 REVISION OF THE FOLLOWING POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE: POLICY IHAE PHYSICAL EDUCATION, FIRST READING, POLICY IHAW CAREER/TRANSITION-TO-WORK EDUCATION, REVIEWED, POLICY IHBC PROGRAMS FOR AT-RISK/DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS, FIRST READING, ADMINISTRATIVE RULE IHAE-R PHYSICAL EDUCATION: Mr. Moulton MOVED to approve the following policies and administrative rule: Policy IHAE Physical Education, First Reading, Policy IHAQ Career/Transition-To-Work Education, Reviewed, Policy IHBC Programs for At-Risk/Disadvantaged Students, First Reading, Administrative Rule IHAE-R Physical Education; SECONDED by Mr. Crane; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- A-7 K-8 COMPUTER ASSISTED INSTRUCTION (CAI) PROGRAM; Mr. Smith MOVED to approve the purchase of the Computer-Assisted Instruction programs recommended by teacher committees for 16 elementary schools. The cost for these programs annually will run approximately \$450,000. The initial cost is \$500,902.23, of which \$450,000 will be paid from ESSER II and the remaining funds out of general fund monies in the Division of Instruction's budget earmarked for this purchase; SECONDED by Dr. Hanks; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-8 BUDGET AMENDMENT #1 2022-2023 FOR FUNDS 1 AND 3: Mr. Smith MOVED to approve budget adjustment #1 and 2022-2023 Salary Schedule; SECONDED by Mr. Silas; Mr. Smith MOVED to amend previous motion; MOTION Failed for lack of second; ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSENT ITEMS

- B-1 SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION DUES: Superintendent Laurence recommended to authorize continuation of membership in the South Carolina School Boards Association.
- B-2 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS – TRANSFERS IN 2022-2023; Superintendent Laurence recommended that the students be allowed to enroll in Aiken County Schools. The parent/legal guardian would be responsible for paying the \$750.00 tuition fee (\$1,000 family cap).
- B-3 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS – TRANSFERS OUT 2022-2023: Superintendent Laurence recommended to approve the students be released from Aiken County to attend the out-of-district schools.
- B-4 SUBMISSION OF THE USDA FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM GRANT – FY23: Superintendent Laurence recommended to approve the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Grant, and receipt of funds, if awarded.

- B-5 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR 2022 FOR OUTDOOR VIDEO DISPLAY SCOREBOARDS FOR AIKEN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS: Superintendent Laurence recommended to allow the administration to enter into a contract with Daktronics, Inc. on an annual basis for outdoor video display scoreboards installs over the next five years.
- B-6 2022 REPLACEMENT OF WINDOWS AT CLEARWATER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Superintendent Laurence recommended to authorize the administration to accept the bid and enter into a contract with H.G. Reynolds Company, Inc. in the total amount of \$135,700.00 for the 2022 Replacement of Windows at Clearwater Elementary School. Funding coming from the 2022-2023 Five-Year Reserve Contingency Budget.
- B-7 CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE NEW CAR LOOP AT J.D. LEVER ELEMENTARY PAVING PROJECT: Superintendent Laurence recommended to approve Change Order #1 from Hamilton Paving, LLC in the amount of \$28,615.00. The paving account has adequate balance to cover this increase.

Mr. Crane MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-7 as presented; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- C-1 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT FOR THE AIKEN HIGH AUDITORIUM SCHOOL PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- C-2 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT FOR THE HAMMOND HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITIONS AND RENOVATION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- C-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT FOR THE HIGHLAND SPRINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- C-4 FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY CHANGE ORDER NOTIFICATION: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

AGENDA ITEMS SUBMITTED BY INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

- ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS: Dr. Hanks MOVED to reappoint Crystal Morlan, Tara Moon and Joy Murdock to the Area Two Advisory Council, and appoint E. Thonea Grant to fill a vacant seat on the advisory council; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESSED TO BOARD MEMBERS

- No Items This Meeting

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

- Superintendent's Update – Superintendent Laurence discussed the SRS Plutonium Settlement which includes funding for a new Career Center to be built on the Aiken Technical College Campus.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Bradley 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. Employment Matters – Administrative Appointment – Office of Finance/SFS, Employee Update; Contractual Matters – Contractual Consideration pertaining to a proposed purchase contract regarding acquisition of additional real property and alternate access to a campus.

Mr. Crane MOVED to enter into Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Silas; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Regular Session recessed at 7:25 p.m.

Executive Session convened at 7:30 p.m.

Regular Session resumed at 8:43 p.m.

Mr. Crane MOVED to Return to Regular Session; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chairman Bradley announced while in Executive Session the board considered or received information concerning the following matters. Employment Matters – Administrative Appointment – Office of Finance/SFS, Employee Update; Contractual Matters – Contractual Consideration pertaining to a proposed purchase contract regarding acquisition of additional real property and alternate access to a campus.

STUDENT MATTERS

- No Items This Meeting

EMPLOYMENT MATTERS

- ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT – OFFICE OF FINANCE/SFS: Mr. Crane MOVED to approve the administration's recommendation for the Director of School Food Services; SECONDED by Mr. Silas; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- EMPLOYEE UPDATE – No Action Taken

CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

- CONTRACTUAL CONSIDERATION PERTAINING TO A PROPOSED PURCHASE CONTRACT REGARDING ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL REAL PROPERTY AND ALTERNATE ACCESS TO A CAMPUS: Mr. Silas MOVED that the Board Approve the offer of a Purchase of Additional Land and Access discussed during the briefing in Executive session; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

LEGAL MATTERS

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- No Items This Meeting

AREA FOUR ADVISORY COUNCIL

- Mrs. Shealey MOVED to reappoint Brian Derrick to the Area Four Advisory Council;
SECONDED by Dr. Bradley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Dr. Hanks MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Crane; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY: Kristy Cansler/Kim Chriswell

APPROVED: