

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 9, 2020

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, at the District Office, 1000 Brookhaven Drive, Aiken, SC at 6:00 p.m. Print and broadcast news media were notified of the time, date, and web location of this meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Keith Liner, Chairman  
Mr. Jason Crane  
Mrs. Sandra Shealey  
Dr. John Bradley  
Mr. Barry Moulton  
Ms. Patrice Rhinehart-Jackson  
Mr. Brian Silas

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Cameron Nuessle  
Mr. Dwight Smith, Vice-Chair

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. King Laurence, Superintendent  
Dr. Shawn Foster, Chief Officer of Operations and Student Services  
Mr. Tray Traxler, Chief Financial Officer  
Mrs. Jeanie Glover, Chief Officer of Instruction  
Mrs. Jennifer Hart, Chief Officer of Administration  
Mrs. Merry Glenne Piccolino, Director of Communications  
Mr. Mike Rosier, Communications Coordinator  
Mrs. Kim Chriswell, Administrative Assistant  
to Superintendent/Board of Education

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 26, 2020, and the Special Called Meeting on June 2, 2020, were presented for approval. Dr. Bradley MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 26, 2020, and the Special Called Meeting on June 2, 2020; SECONDED by Mr. Silas; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN
  - June 23, 2020 Meeting: Dr. Bradley MOVED to hold scheduled regular meeting on June 23, 2020, and to include on meeting's agenda a section for discussion in regards to Testing and Discipline; SECONDED by Mr. Crane; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A-1 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE MIDLAND VALLEY HIGH ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-2 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE MILLBROOK ELEMENTARY ADDITIONS & RENOVATIONS PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL PHASE III ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-4 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE RIDGE SPRING-MONETTA ELEMENTARY PHASE 3 ADDITION: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-5 EXPANSION OF COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

CONSENT ITEMS:

B-1 DOLLAR GENERAL LITERACY FOUNDATION DONATION TO HAMMOND HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL-FY20: Superintendent Laurence recommended the Board approve the \$2,000.00 Dollar General Literacy Foundation Donation to Hammond Hill Elementary School and adjustments to the FY20 Special revenue fund to reflect the amount of the donation and expenditures.

B-2 LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD COURSES FOR 2020-21: Superintendent Laurence recommended the Board Approve the additional Local School Board Courses for 2020-21.

B-3 CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES) GRANT FUNDING: Superintendent Laurence recommended the Board approve the administration to move forward with applying for CARES Act funding for the use of technology to implement a 1:1 digital learning initiative for designated elementary grades.

Mr. Silas MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-3 as presented; SECONDED by Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Dr. Bradley MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2020-2021; certified retiree rehires for school year 2020-21; classified personnel for school year 2019-20; classified personnel for school year 2020-21; classified retiree rehires for school year 2020-21; certified supplemental personnel for school year 2020-2021; non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2020-21; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Mrs. Shealey MOVED to approve the Superintendent's recommendation that the students be released from Aiken County to attend the out-of-district schools; SECONDED by Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-3 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Mr. Silas MOVED to approve the Superintendent's recommendation that the students be allowed to enroll in Aiken County Schools, and that the parent/legal guardian would be responsible for paying the \$750.00 tuition fee; SECONDED by Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-4 & C-5

CHANGES TO POLICY EGAD COPYRIGHT COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE EGAD COPYRIGHT COMPLIANCE; ADOPTION OF POLICY IMG SERVICE ANIMALS AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE IMG SERVICE ANIMALS - FINAL READINGS: Dr. Bradley MOVED to approve final readings of both policies in one motion; SECONDED by Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY; Dr. Bradley MOVED to adopt the changes to Policy EGAD Copyright Compliance and Administrative Rule EGAD Copyright Compliance, and adopt Policy IMG Service Animals on final reading's SECONDED by Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-6 2020-2021 BUDGET-SECOND FINAL READING; Mr. Moulton MOVED to approve the Second/Final Reading of the 2020-2021 budget with any changes resulting from Board discussion; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- Mr. Crane discussed letter received in regards to Foreign Exchange Student Programs.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

- Dr. Foster presented update in regards to students returning to off season athletic conditioning programs and COVID19.
- Superintendent Laurence discussed the upcoming 2020-21 school year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Liner 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.

Mr. Silas to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 7:35 p.m.

Executive session convened at 7:40 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 8:20 p.m.

Chairman Liner announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning the following matters: Employment Matters: Administrative Appointment

CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

- No Items This Meeting

EMPLOYMENT MATTERS:

- Administrative Appointment

Dr. Bradley MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Mr. James Hooper, Assistant Principal North Augusta Middle School; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPEALS:

- No Items This Meeting

LEGAL BRIEFING:

- No Items This Meeting

Dr. Crane MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Submitted by: Kim Chriswell

APPROVED: