

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 15, 2015, at the District Office, 1000 Brookhaven Drive, Aiken, at 7:00 p.m. Print and broadcast news media were notified of the time, date, and place of this meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Rosemary English, Chairman
Mr. Levi Green, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Cecil Atchley
Mr. Tad Barber
Mr. John Wesley Hightower
Mr. Keith Liner
Mr. Jeremy Mace
Mr. Ronnie West

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Richard Hazen

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Sean Alford, Superintendent
Dr. Shawn Foster, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. Tray Traxler, Comptroller
Mr. William H. Burkhalter, Board Attorney
Dr. Cecelia Hewett, Associate Superintendent
for Administration
Mr. King Laurence, Associate Superintendent
for Instruction
Mrs. Laurie Reese, Academic Officer
for Elementary School
Mrs. Janice Kitchings, Academic Officer
for Elementary School
Mrs. Joy Shealy, Academic Office
for Middle School
Dr. Tim Yarborough, Academic Officer
for High School
Dr. Randy Stowe, Director of Administration
Mrs. Vicky Durden, Administrative Assistant
to Board/Superintendent

Chairman English called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

Devotional and Pledge were led by Mr. Cecil Atchley.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 25, 2015; were presented for approval. Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 25, 2015; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- SCHSL recognized Midland Valley High School, South Aiken High School and Ridge Spring-Monetta High School as recipients for Sportsmanship Award.
- Cedar Creek Church was recognized for their donation of 2.1 million copies of paper to our schools.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No requests this meeting.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

Mr. Hightower discussed nominations for SCSBA Service Award.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 RESTROOM/CONCESSION STAND AT PERRY PARK: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-2 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Liner informed the Board of the Webinar scheduled for October 15, 2015 from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board release the students from Aiken County to attend the out-of-district schools as requested.
- B-2 DEMOLITION OF MOBILES AND CANOPY AT AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board to authorize the administration to accept the GMP Pricing of \$121,376.00 from H.G. Reynolds Company, Inc. for the Demolition of the mobiles and canopy at Aiken High School and mobiles at Oakwood-Windsor Elementary.
- B-3 CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 3 FOR THE 2015 INSTALLATION OF FLOORING AT SOUTH AIKEN HIGH, EAST AIKEN ELEMENTARY, MILLBROOK ELEMENTARY, BELVEDERE ELEMENTARY & CHUKKER CREEK ELEMENTARY (HALLWAYS @ NEW BUILDING: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve Change Order Number 3 from Ceiling & Floor Restorations, Inc. in the amount of \$47,000.00.

B-4 SUNSHINE HOUSE DONATION TO CHUKKER CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – FY16: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the Sunshine House donation to Chukker Creek Elementary School an adjustments to the FY16 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.

B-5 SCHEMATIC PLANS FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION PHASE 2A AND 2B: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the schematic design narrative, schematic plans and preliminary construction cost estimate for the Aiken High School Addition Phase 2A &2B Project as presented by LS3P Architects.

Mr. West MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-5; SECONDED by Mr. Barber; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2015-2016; certified retiree rehires for school year 2015-2016; classified personnel for school year 2015-2016; certified supplemental for school year 2015-2016; classified supplemental for school year 2015-2016; and non-employee supplemental for school year 2015-2016; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- AREA 4 ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. West MOVED to reappoint Malcolm Rawls and Jay Jackson to the Area 4 Advisory Council and appoint Brynn Yon to the Area 4 Advisory Council; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- PROPOSED SCHOOL LANDSCAPING PROJECTS: Mr. Liner discussed the proposed school landscaping projects on behalf of Mr. Hazen. Mr. Liner MOVED to authorize the Administration to provide estimates for complete landscaping renovations including irrigation for Midland Valley High School, Chukker Creek Elementary and Byrd Elementary at the Regular Board Meeting scheduled for October 27, 2015; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- SALARY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING – scheduled for Friday, September 18, 2015, at the District Office from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

Dr. Alford gave a brief update of events around the District.

Chairman English announced the Board will need to go into executive session for the purpose of considering the following matters in such order as the Board may choose: Appeals: one student from Area 5; and Legal Briefing: Short verbal update on one recent Employment Workforce Decision; one recent legal proceeding; and resolution of one legal claim.

Mr. Mace MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 7:48 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:26 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 9:13 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Appeals: one student from Area 5; and Legal Briefing: Short verbal update on one recent Employment Workforce Decision; one recent legal proceeding; and resolution of one legal claim.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

- LEGAL BRIEFING: No action necessary.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

- a. STUDENT APPEAL: The parent and student did not show for the appeal. Mr. Liner MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and allow the student to enroll in the Center of Innovative Learning at Pinecrest on strict probation and long term assignment; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Barber MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: