

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 23, 2016

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 23, 2016, 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, Chief Officer of Operations and Student Services  
Mr. Tray Traxler, Chief Financial Officer  
Mr. William Burkhalter, General Counsel  
Mr. King Laurence, Chief Officer of Administration  
for Instruction  
Dr. Dee Dee Washington, Chief Officer of Instruction  
Mrs. Janice Kitchings, Executive Director  
of Elementary School  
Mrs. Laurie Reese, Executive Director  
of Elementary School  
Mrs. Joy Shealy, Executive Director  
of Middle School  
Dr. Tim Yarborough, Executive Director  
of High School  
Ms. Kate Olin, Director of Accountability and Assessment  
Mrs. Rose Puckett, Administrative Assistant  
to 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 Mrs. Laurie Reese.

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 23, 2016; were presented for approval. Mr. Barber MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 23, 2016; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-0-1 (Mrs. English abstained).

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ed Hatcher spoke regarding Transportation Policy.

Carlus Kight spoke regarding Transportation Policy.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to review policy and allow students to ride bus until policy has been reviewed and discussed; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION carried on a vote of 5-3 (Mrs. English, Mr. Green and Mr. Barber opposed).

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE LEAVELLE MCCAMPBELL MIDDLE SCHOOL PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-2 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL 2A & 2B ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL PHASE 2A ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-4 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: No update this meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUEST: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the release of students recommended to attend the out-of-district schools as requested.
- B-2 PUBLIC EDUCATION PARTNERS DONATION TO NEW ELLENTON MIDDLE SCHOOL – FY17: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$5,391 Public Education Partners donation to New Ellenton Middle School.
- B-3 FY17 APPLICATION FOR TITLE II, PART A OF THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the submission of the Title II application to the State Department of Education, adjustments to the FY2017 budget to reflect authorized expenditures and implementation of the program.

- B-4 LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIVE COURSES FOR 2016-2017 (CABINET APPROVED ON 3/28/16 AND 8/8/16): Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the Local School Board Elective Courses for the 2016-2017 school year submitted and approved by Cabinet on March 28, 2016 and August 8, 2016.

Mr. Liner MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-4; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

- C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2016-2017; certified retiree rehire personnel for school year 2016-2017; classified personnel for school year 2016-2017; certified supplemental personnel for school year 2016-2017; classified supplemental personnel for school year 2016-2017; and non-employee supplemental for school year 2016-2017; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-2 CHANGES TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULE AR IJOA FIELD TRIPS – FINAL READING: Mr. Liner MOVED to adopt the proposed changes on final reading; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-3 POLICY BID – PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BOARD POLICY BID BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES – FIRST READING: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve on first reading the recommended amendments to Board Policy BID; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- AREA 1 ADVISORY COUNCIL: Mr. Barber MOVED to appoint Edward Girardeau to the Area 1 Advisory Council; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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- Mrs. Fran Altringer presented a power point presentation regarding Virtual Learning Opportunities.

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: Proposed Contractual Matter: Request for an Easement along an existing dirt roadway behind a school campus; and Legal Update: Brief legal update on the administrative closure of an EEOC related complaint.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 8:03 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:09 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 8:29 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Proposed Contractual Matter: Request for an Easement along an existing dirt roadway behind a school campus; and Legal Update: Brief legal update on the administrative closure of an EEOC related complaint.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

- REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY EASEMENT: Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve the request by W.G. Development, LLC and authorize the chair to sign the appropriate document; SECONDED by Mr. Barber; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

- LEGAL BRIEFING: The Board received a legal update.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

No items this meeting.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: