

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 27, 2013

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 27, 2013, 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. Ray Fleming, Vice-Chairman  
Mr. Tad Barber  
Mr. Levi Green  
Mr. Richard Hazen  
Mr. John Wesley Hightower  
Mr. Keith Liner  
Mr. Dwight Smith  
Mr. Ronnie West

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Elizabeth Everitt, Superintendent  
Mr. David Caver, 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/Accountability  
Mrs. Peggy Trivelas, 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 of Education/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 Dr. Cecelia Hewett.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on August 8, 2013; and minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 13, 2013; were presented for approval. Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on August 8, 2013; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-0-1 (Mrs. English abstained). Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 13, 2013; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Mr. Traxler, Comptroller and Finance Department Managers were recognized for receiving the following awards: Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Association of School Business Officials International; and Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No request this meeting.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

Chairman English discussed Subcommittee on District Loans. Mr. Hightower, Mr. Hazen, Mr. Liner and Mr. Green will form the Subcommittee on District Loans.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A-1 ASSESSMENT UPDATE: Mr. Laurence presented a power point presentation regarding Assessment Update.

A-2 MODEL SCHOOL CONFERENCE: Mr. Laurence presented a power point presentation regarding Model School Conference. Mrs. Sanders-Pee and Mr. Wintrode also gave a brief update on conference.

A-3 UPDATE ON STUDENT ENROLLMENT FOR 2013-2014: Mr. Traxler gave an overview of student enrollment for 2013-2014.

A-4 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE RIDGE SPRING-MONETTA HIGH ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-5 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL PHASE I PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-6 UPDATE ON MIGRATION PROJECT FROM NOVELL TO A WINDOWS BASED NETWORK OPERATING SYSTEM: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-7 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Liner presented a power point presentation regarding Legislative Update. Mr. Liner informed the Board that Mr. Duane Cooper will be at the Regular Meeting on September 10, 2013, to give a Legislative Update.

CONSENT ITEMS:

B-1 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the recommendation to release the students from Aiken County to attend the out-of-district schools.

B-2 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT #6 (FY13); FUND #1 (GENERAL); FUNDS #2, 8 AND 9 (SPECIAL REVENUE); AND FUND #5 (SCHOOL BUILDING FUND): Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve Budget Adjustment #6 (FY13); Fund #1 (General); Funds #2, 8 and 9 (Special Revenue); and Fund #5 (School Building Fund).

B-3 CITY OF AIKEN PLAYGROUND AT NORTH AIKEN ELEMENTARY: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board allow the City and the district to enter into an agreement to build the playground.

B-4 RENEWAL OF EMERGENCY AND OUTREACH CALLING SYSTEM: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the use of Blackboard Connect Emergency Calling System for the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school year.

B-5 FY14 APPLICATION FOR TITLE II, PART A OF NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize the submission of the Title II application to the State Department of Education, adjustments to the FY2014 budget to reflect authorized expenditures and implementation of the program.

B-6 PROPOSED 2014-2015 BUDGET CALENDAR: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the proposed 2014-2015 budget calendar.

Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-6; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Green MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2013-2014; classified personnel for school year 2013-2014; certified supplemental personnel for school year 2013-2014; classified supplemental personnel over \$1500 for school year 2013-2014; and non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2013-2014; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2 REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL HOMEBOUND TEACHER: Mr. Smith MOVED to approve the addition of a full-time, 200 day homebound teacher; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-3 ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2013: Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the resolution to provide for the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds, series 2013; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- STEM REQUEST: Mr. Hazen MOVED to have the Administration to determine feasibility of a STEM school at Jackson Middle or New Ellenton Middle and using fund balance for funding; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- DISTRICT PROCEDURE FOR EARLY ENTRANCE TO KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE: Mr. Fleming MOVED to have the Administration to review policy and practices for early entrance; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- AREA 2 ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Liner MOVED to reappoint Joy Murdock and appoint Rebecca Wall to the Area 2 Advisory Council; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

Dr. Everitt gave a brief update on events around the District.

Chairman English announced the Board would need to have an executive session for the purpose of considering the following matters: Short legal briefing on an EEPC matter; appeal as follow: a student appeal from Area 3; and Administrative appointments.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 8:42 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:47 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 9:25 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Short legal briefing on an EEOC matter; appeal as follow: a student appeal from Area 3; and Administrative appointments.

**CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:**

No items this meeting.

**LEGAL BRIEFINGS:**

No action necessary on this item.

**PERSONNEL ISSUES:**

- **ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:**
  - ATTACHMENT 1 – Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Barber opposed).

Ute Aadland, Principal at Wagener-Salley High School

- ATTACHMENT 2 – Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Jason Schumpert, Assistant Principal at Midland Valley High  
Tameika Valentine, Assistant Principal at South Aiken High  
Mark Brown, Assistant Principal at South Aiken High  
Phyllis Gamble, Assistant Principal at North Augusta Middle  
LaTonya Young, Part-time Assistant Principal and Part-time  
Teacher at North Augusta Middle  
David Hanna, Part-time Assistant Principal at Schofield Middle  
and Part-time Assistant Principal at Kennedy Middle  
Natonia Sullivan, Assistant Principal and Community Outreach  
at the Center for Innovative Learning at Pinecrest

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

F-5-a: STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student from Area 3. Mr. Hightower MOVED to allow the student to attend the Center of Innovative Learning at Pinecrest. Also included in the motion, the Administration will evaluate the student's progress and determine placement at the home school; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-2 (Mr. Barber and Mr. Hazen opposed).

Mr. Barber MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: