

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
December 12, 2017

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2017, 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:

Mr. Levi Green, Chairman  
Mr. Tad Barber, Vice-Chairman  
Mr. Cecil Atchley  
Mrs. Rosemary English  
Mr. John Wesley Hightower  
Mr. Keith Liner  
Mr. Jeremy Mace  
Mr. Ahmed Samaha  
Mrs. Sandra Shealey

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  
Dr. DeeDee Washington, Chief Officer of Instruction  
Mrs. Laurie Reese, Executive Director  
of Elementary School  
Mrs. Janice Kitchings, Executive Director  
of Elementary School  
Mrs. Joy Shealy, Executive Director  
of Elementary School  
Mr. Alvin Pressley, Executive Director  
of High School  
Mrs. Rose Puckett, Administrative Assistant  
to Superintendent

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

Devotional and Pledge were led by Mr. Keith Liner.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 28, 2017; were presented for approval. Mrs. English MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 28, 2017; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- ACIRA Distinguished Literacy Teachers were recognized.
- Baby's First Teachers were recognized.
- ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS: Mr. Burkhalter reviewed the procedures for the election of Board Officers and distributed ballots for electing a chairman. Mr. Burkhalter counted the votes and announced the appointment of Mr. Levi Green as Chairman of the Board. Ballots were distributed for the election of the Vice-Chairman. Mr. Burkhalter counted the votes and announced the appointment of Mr. Tad Barber as Vice-Chairman of the Board. Mr. Green and Mr. Barber expressed appreciation to fellow Board Members for their support.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
  - No requests this meeting.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

- Chairman Green recognized Mr. Wesley Hightower as President of the SCSBA.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A-1 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: No update this meeting.

A-2 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017: Presenters from Elliott David Decosimo LLC gave a brief overview and fielded questions from the Board.

A-3 HORSE CREEK ACADEMY ANNUAL REPORTS: Horse Creek Academy presented a power point presentation regarding Annual Reports.

A-4 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL 2A & 2B ADDITION PROJECTS: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-5 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL PHASE 2A ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 RATIFICATION OF EXPULSIONS: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board ratify the expulsion of students not appealing this action as submitted by the Hearing Officer.
- B-2 WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL DONATION TO LBC MIDDLE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA – FY18: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$5,000.00 William M. Carmichael Donation to LBC Middle School Orchestra and adjustments to the FY18 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the donation and expenditures.
- B-3 WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL DONATION TO LBC MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND – FY18: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$5,000.00 William M. Carmichael Donation to LBC Middle School Band and adjustments to the FY18 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the donation and expenditures.

Mr. Limer MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-3 as presented; SECONDED by Mrs. English; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

- C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mrs. English MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2017-2018; certified retiree rehire personnel for school year 2017-2018; classified personnel for school year 2017-2018; classified retiree rehire personnel for school year 2017-2018; classified supplemental for school year 2017-2018; and non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2017-2018; SECONDED by Mr. Atchely; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2 PROPOSED ONE-TIME USES OF FUND BALANCES: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve utilization of \$2,400,000 from fund balance to for one-time expenditures; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- RESOLUTION FOR DELEGATION: Mr. Samaha MOVED to draft a resolution asking Delegation to remove the \$10,000 cap from all retirees; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- Mr. Liner reminded the Board about the Salary Study Subcommittee meeting scheduled for January 19, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.
- Mr. Barber reminded the Board about the Work Study Session scheduled for January 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

- Superintendent Alford gave a brief update on events around the District.

Chairman Green announced the Board had no items to discuss in Executive Session this meeting.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: