

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2019

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 12, 2019, at 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. Keith Liner, Chairman
Mr. Dwight Smith, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Jason Crane
Mrs. Rosemary English
Mr. Ahmed Samaha
Mrs. Sandra Shealey
Mr. Brian Silas

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Tad Barber
Mr. Barry Moulton

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Sean Alford, Superintendent
Dr. Shawn Foster, Chief Officer of Operations and Student Services
Mr. Tray Traxler, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. King Laurence, Chief Officer of Administration
Mrs. Jeanie Glover, Chief Officer of Instruction
Mrs. Jennifer Hart, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Julie Revelle, Executive Director
of Elementary School
Dr. Mendi Tucker, Executive Director
of Elementary School
Mrs. Phyllis Gamble, Executive Director
of Middle School
Mr. Alvin Pressley, Executive Director
of High School
Mrs. Vicky Durden, Administrative Assistant
to Board of Education/Superintendent

Chairman Liner 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. Mr. Liner asked for a moment of silence of the passing of a former South Aiken High School principal, Bill Gassman.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Special Called Meeting on January 15, 2019 and minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 22, 2019; were presented for approval. Mrs. Shealey MOVED to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting on January 15, 2019 and minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 22, 2019; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Dr. Tom Clark, Executive Director for Fort Gordon's Alliance for Cyber Education presented Aiken County Public Schools with a certificate for participation in Cyber Patriot Center for Excellence.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
 - Leslie Cobb spoke regarding security concerns at HH El.
 - Ashley Bean spoke regarding testing concerns at HH El.
- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN
 - Chairman Liner discussed the following: SCSBA Annual Conference; Tour of WSHS; 2DAC scheduled for April 10th; and Board brunch scheduled for Saturday, February 16, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mrs. English presented a power point presentation regarding Legislative Update.

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

- A-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL PHASE 2B ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

- A-4 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE RIDGE SPRING-MONETTA MIDDLE-HIGH PHASE 2 ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

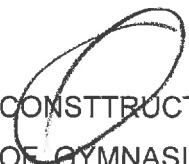
- A-5 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE GRANITEVILLE ELEMENTARY RENOVATIONS & ADDITIONS PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

- A-6 RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION COMMITTEE UPDATE: Mrs. Hart presented a power point presentation regarding Recruitment and Retention. The Board 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 CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1 FOR THE GRANITEVILLE ELEMENTARY ADDITION PROJECT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve Change Order Number 1 at Graniteville Elementary Addition project from R.W. Allen Construction, LLC in the amount of \$53,557.00 and this amount will be deducted from the project contingency account.
- B-3 ENGINEERED METAL BUILDING AUTO SHOP FOR THE OPERATIONS CENTER: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the Administration to accept the low base bid totaling \$149,900.00 and enter into a contract with J.E. Stewart Builders, Inc. for the Maintenance Shop Metal Building.
- B-4 REQUEST TO ADMIT FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the foreign exchange student listed on the attached sheet for admission to the School District of Aiken County in August of 2019 for the 2019-2020 school year.
- B-5 2019 PAINTING OF AIKEN ELEMENTARY, J.D. LEVER ELEMENTARY, JACKSON MIDDLE AND NORTH AUGUSTA ELEMENTARY: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the bid of \$536,000.00 and enter into a contract with G&S Adventures, Inc. to paint Aiken Elementary, J.D. Lever Elementary, Jackson Middle restrooms and North Augusta Elementary; and funding coming from the 2019-2020 Five-Year Facility Improvement Plan Painting Budget.

B-6 CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 2 FOR THE GRANITEVILLE ELEMENTARY ADDITION PROJECT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve Change Order Number 2 for Graniteville Elementary Addition Project from RW Allen Construction, LLC in the amount of \$105,508.00 and this amount will be deducted from the project budget.

 B-7 CONSTRUCTION BIDS FOR THE 2019 SCRUBBING, SANDING, & COATING OF GYMNASIUM FLOORS DISTRICT WIDE FOR AIKEN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the bid and enter into a contract with Southern Cleaning Service, Inc. for Base Bid A: (\$17,900.00) and Base Bid B: (\$13,595.00) for the 2019 Scrubbing and Coating for the middle and high schools district wide; authorize the administration to accept the bid and enter into a contract with The Flooring Connection, LLC. for Base Bid C: (\$28,567.20) and Base Bid D: (\$24,223.00) for the 2019 Sanding and Striping of Gymnasium Floors for the middle and high schools district wide; and funding coming from the 2019-2020 Five-Year Facility Improvement Plan Gym Floors Budget.

Mrs. English MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-7 as presented; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mrs. English MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2018-2019; certified personnel for school year 2019-2020; classified personnel for school year 2018-2019; certified supplemental personnel for school year 2018-2019; and non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2019-2020; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Mrs. English MOVED to approve the recommendations of the Chief Officer of Administration to release students from Aiken County Public Schools to attend the out-of-district schools as requested; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-3 ATTENDANCE ZONE FOR GRANITEVILLE ELEMENTARY: Mr. Smith MOVED to approve the recommended attendance zone for Graniteville Elementary; SECONDED by Mr. Silas; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- GLOVERVILLE ELEMENTARY VALENTINE FUNDRAISER: Mr. Smith announced that Gloverville Elementary Valentine Fundraiser raised \$41,900. This has been a tradition for many years and this is the most raised to date.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

- Superintendent Alford gave an update of events around the District.

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: Contractual Issues: Release of Deed Restriction and Proposed Contract Regarding Real Property; and Appeal: one student appeal from Area 5.

Mrs. Shealey MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 8:22 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:28 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 10:05 p.m.

Chairman Liner announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Contractual Issues: Release of Deed Restriction and Proposed Contract Regarding Real Property; and Appeal: one student appeal from Area 5.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

- a. RELEASE OF DEED RESTRICTION: Mr. Crane MOVED to approve the Proposed Resolution and authorize the Chair and Superintendent to execute the proposed Release of Restriction; SECONDED by Mr. Samaha; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b. PROPOSED CONTRACT REGARDING REAL PROPERTY: Mr. Silas MOVED to proceed with a contract for the proposed sale of the original Leavelle McCampbell Middle School buildings and land, located at 82 Canal Street, Graniteville, S.C. at current offered price and endowment of scholarship details that have been proposed for Midland Valley High School; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

- No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

- No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

- a. STUDENT APPEAL (AREA 5): The Board heard an appeal from the parent of an high school student in Area 5. Mrs. English MOVED to overturn the expulsion and refer the case back to the Hearing Officer for further deliberations; SECONDED by Mr. Crane; MOTION carried on a vote 5-2 (Mr. Smith and Mr. Silas opposed).

Mrs. Shealey MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Silas; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: