

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
FEBRUARY 19, 2013

The Aiken County Board of Education met for a special called meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2013, at the District Office, 1000 Brookhaven Dr., Aiken, at 6:00 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. Keith Liner  
Mr. John Wesley Hightower  
Mr. Dwight Smith  
Mr. Ronnie West

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Elizabeth Everitt, Superintendent  
Mr. William H. Burkhalter, Board Attorney  
Mr. Tray Traxler, Comptroller  
Dr. Cecelia Davidson, Associate Superintendent  
for Administration  
Mr. King Laurence, Associate Superintendent  
for Instruction/Accountability  
Mrs. Janice Kitchings, Academic Officer  
for Elementary School  
Mrs. Peggy Trivelas, Academic Officer  
for Elementary School  
Mrs. Joy Shealy, Academic Officer  
for Middle School  
Dr. Tim Yarborough, Academic Office  
for High School  
Dr. Randy Stowe, Director of Administrative Services  
Mrs. Vicky Durden, Administrative Assistant to  
Board of Education/Superintendent

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Chairman English welcomed those in attendance and noted the purpose of the Special Called Meeting is to have a Budget Workshop and to hear student appeals.

Mr. Traxler presented a power point presentation regarding Budget Calendar Overview, Other Funds (Special Revenue, EIA, Debt Service, School Building, and School Food Service), Budget Input to Date and Other Considerations.

Mr. Traxler fielded questions from Board members.

Chairman English announced the Board would need to have an executive session for the purpose of considering the following matters: Student appeals as follow: one from Area 1; one from Area 3; one from Area 4; one from Area 5; and two from Area 2.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 7:15 p.m.

Executive session convened at 7:20 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 8:57 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Student appeals as follow: one from Area 1; one from Area 3; one from Area 4; one from Area 5; and two from Area 2.

APPEALS:

- A-1 STUDENT APPEAL: The Board an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 1. Mr. Fleming MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and expel the student for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-2 STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a middle school student in Area 3. Mr. Hightower MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and expel the student for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-3 STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 4. Mr. Fleming MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and expel the student for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-4 STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a middle school student in Area 5. Mr. Hazen MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and expel the student for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year. Also included in the motion, the Administration will evaluate the student's records to determine placement for the 2013-2014 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-5 STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 2. Mr. Green MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and expel the student for the 2012-2013 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Barber opposed).

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A-6 STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 2. Mr. Hightower MOVED to allow the student to return to school on strict probation and time served; SECONDED by Mrs. English; MOTION carried on a 7-2 (Mr. Smith and Mr. Liner opposed).

Mr. Barber MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: