

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2017

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 10, 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. Ahmed Samaha

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Jeremy Mace
Mr. Ronnie West

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
Dr. DeeDee 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
Mr. Scott Newman, Interim Executive Director
of High School
Mrs. Vicky Durden, Administrative Assistant
to Board of Education

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. Tad Barber.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 13, 2016; were presented for approval. Mrs. English MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 13, 2016; SECONDED by Mr. Barber; MOTION carried on a voted 6-0-1 (Mr. Samaha abstained).

Superintendent Alford introduced Mr. Scott Newman, Interim Executive Director for High Schools.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Jackson Middle School and New Ellenton Middle School was recognized as STEM AdvancED Accreditation.

- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No items this meeting

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

- Chairman Green reminded the Board of MLK Art Contest at USC-Aiken on January 22, 2017.

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- Dr. Alford will be speaking at First Friday on February 3, 2017.
- Town Hall Meetings scheduled at 6:30 p.m. are as follow:

January 26 at Midland Valley High School

February 6 at South Aiken High School

7 at Aiken High School

16 at Mossy Creek El.

21 at Caledonia Baptist Church (Area 4)
1887 Old 96 Indian Trail
Batesburg-Leesville

23 at Silver Bluff High School

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 SECURITY SCREENING PROTOCOLS: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as preseted.
- A-2 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: No update this meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 DONATION TO LBC MIDDLE SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION CLASS – FY17: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$3,800 donation to LBC Middle School and adjustments to the FY17 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.
- B-2 CURB APPEAL LANDSCAPING PROJECT PHASE II: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the continued use of funds generated by the sale of the property to proceed with the next phase of landscaping and ground improvements at the seven school sites.

B-3 NORTH AUGUSTA FORWARD DONATION – FY17: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$1,500 North Augusta Forward donation and adjustments to the FY17 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditure.

B-4 PUBLIC EDUCATION PARTNERS DONATION – FY17: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$1,500 Public Education Partners donation and adjustments to the FY17 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.

B-5 ITEMS TO BE DECLARED SURPLUS AND METHOD OF DISPOSAL: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the disposal and sale of the two equipment items identified above.

Mrs. English MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-5; 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; classified personnel for school year 2016-2017; certified supplemental for school year 2016-2017; classified supplemental for school year 2016-2017; and non-employee supplemental for school year 2016-2017; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2 POLICY CHANGES RELATED TO REORGANIZATION: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve the proposed changes to Policies GBEB, GCK, and Administrative Rule GCK-R on first reading; SECONDED by Mrs. English; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-3 CHANGES TO POLICY GCB PROFESSIONAL STAFF CONTRACTS AND COMPENSATION: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve the proposed changes to Policy GCB on first reading; SECONDED by Mrs. English; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-4 CHANGES TO POLICY GDC SUPPORT STAFF LEAVES AND ABSENCES: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve the proposed changes to Policy GDC on first reading; SECONDED by Mrs. English; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-5 CALENDAR REVISION TO MAKE-UP SCHOOL DAYS LOST DUE TO HURRICAN MATTHEW: Mr. Hightower MOVED to waive the 4th make-up day as presented; and bring back additional information and dates regarding the 2nd and 3rd make-up at the January 24, 2017 Board meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Hightower requested a moment of silence for the passing of Mr. Atchley's father-in-law and Dr. Paul Krohne with the SCSBA.

Mr. Hightower read South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley's Proclamation regarding *School Boards Stand Up 4 SC Public Schools* and proclaimed January 2017 as School Board Recognition Month.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

- SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING: Mrs. Bunnie Sharpe presented a power point presentation regarding Safety and Professional Development Training.

- Dr. DeeDee Washington gave a brief update on Leaders in Literacy Conference scheduled for Friday, January 13, 2017.

Chairman Green announced the Board would not need to have an executive session this meeting.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durdan

APPROVED: