

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 24, 2014

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2014, 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. Levi Green, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Tad Barber
Mr. Ray Fleming
Mr. John Wesley Hightower
Mr. Keith Liner
Mr. Dwight Smith
Mr. Ronnie West

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Richard Hazen

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
Dr. Tim Yarborough, Academic Officer
for High School
Mrs. Vicky Durden, Administrative Assistant
to Superintendent/Board

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

Devotional and Pledge were led by Mr. King Laurence.

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 June 3, 2014; and minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 10, 2014; were presented for approval. Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting on June 3, 2014; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 10, 2014; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-0-1 (Mrs. English abstained).

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Diane and Shelby Saunders were recognized as the Aiken Volunteer Citizen of the Year.
- Mr. Traxler and Finance Department were recognized for receiving the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No requests were made this meeting.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

Chairman English discussed scheduling a Special Called Meeting on July 29, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering personnel appointment recommendations by the Superintendent for the 2014-2015 school year.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A-1 COMMON CORE UPDATE: Mr. Laurence presented a power point presentation regarding Common Core Update.

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

A-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE RIDGE SPRING-MONETTA ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-5 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Liner presented a power point presentation regarding Legislative Update.

CONSENT ITEMS:

B-1 RATIFICATION OF EXPULSIONS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board ratify the expulsion of students not appealing this action as submitted by Academic Officers.

- B-2 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board that the student be released from Aiken County Public Schools to attend school in another district with the stipulation that the District will have no responsibility for tuition of the receiving district.
- B-3 AIKEN COUNTY GIFTED AND TALENTED ACADEMIC/ARTISTIC PLAN: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the Aiken County Gifted and Talented Academic/Artistic Plan to begin implementation.
- B-4 GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF MIDDLE GEORGIA, INC. GRANT TO AIKEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FY14: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the \$2,500 Goodwill Industries of Middle Georgia, Inc. grant to Aiken Elementary School and adjustments to the FY14 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.
- B-5 SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION DUES: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize continuation of membership in the South Carolina School Boards Association.
- B-6 FUNDING FLEXIBILITY FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30, 2014: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the funding flexibility form for the quarter ending June 30, 2014.
- B-7 NEGLECTED AND DELINQUENT APPLICATION – FY15: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the submission of the Neglected and Delinquent application to the State Department of Education and the implementation of the program for the 2014-2015 school year.

B-8 FY2015 APPLICATION FOR TITLE I OF NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND:
Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize the submission of the Title I application to the South Carolina Department of Education, adjustments to the FY2015 Budget to reflect authorized expenditures, and implementation of the program.

B-9 WAGENER-SALLY HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM RENOVATIONS & GLOVERVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BREEZEWAY ADDITION:
Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize the Administration to accept the low base bid totaling \$587,707.00 and enter into a contract with J.E. Stewart Builders, Inc. for the Wagener-Salley High School's Auditorium Renovations & Gloverville Elementary School's Breezeway Addition.

Mr. Green MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-9; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve lists of certified retiree rehire personnel for school year 2013-2014; certified personnel for school year 2013-2014; certified personnel for school year 2014-2015; classified personnel for school year 2013-2014; and classified personnel for school year 2014-2015; SECONDED by Mr. Barber; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2 RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE (TAN), SERIES 2014, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,800,000: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve the resolution to authorize the issuance of a not exceeding \$1,800,000 tax anticipation note, Series 2014; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- C-3 PROPOSED 2014-2015 BUDGET: Mr. Hightower MOVED TO increase teacher supply reimbursement by \$25 to a total of \$275 even if the State reimbursement remains at \$250 for the 2014-2015 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve the proposed 2014-2015 Budget without a tax increase and the 2014-2015 salary schedule; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- C-4 REVISIONS TO THE POLICY JLCD – ASSISTING STUDENTS WITH MEDICINES – FIRST READING: Mr. Liner MOVED to accept the revisions to JLCD – Assisting Students with Medicines on First Reading; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

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

Chairman English announced the Board will need to go into executive session for the purpose of considering the following matters in such order as the Board may choose: Legal Briefing as follows: update on a pending litigation and a scheduling order; a favorable administrative agency decision; advice and opinion on 2 recent case filings; response to a Human Affairs proceeding; and Employment Workforce claim decisions; and Personnel Issues: Administrative Appointments and Report on Administrative Support Measures.

Mr. Green MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Barber; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 8:13 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:18 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 9:23 p.m.

Mr. Fleming had to leave the meeting due to personal reasons.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Legal Briefing as follows: update on a pending litigation and a scheduling order; a favorable administrative agency decision; advice and opinion on 2 recent case filings; response to a Human Affairs proceeding; and Employment Workforce claim decisions; and Personnel Issues: Administrative Appointments and Report on Administrative Support Measures.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

No action necessary on legal briefing items.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

- ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS – Attachment 1: Mr. Smith MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Wendy Jacobs, Principal of North Augusta Elementary; SECONDED by Mr. Barber; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS – Attachment 2: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Merry Glenne Piccolino, Public Information Officer; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

No items this meeting.

Mr. Barber MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: