

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2015

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 2015, 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. Cecil Atchley
Mr. Tad Barber
Mr. John Wesley Hightower
Mr. Keith Liner
Mr. Jeremy Mace
Mr. Ronnie West

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Richard Hazen

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Sean Alford, Superintendent
Dr. Shawn Foster, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. Tray Traxler, Comptroller
Dr. Cecelia Hewett, Associate Superintendent
for Administration
Mr. King Laurence, Associate Superintendent
for Instruction
Mrs. Laurie Reese, Academic Officer
for Elementary School
Mrs. Janice Kitchings, Academic Officer
for Elementary School
Mrs. Joy Shealy, Academic Office
for Middle School
Dr. Tim Yarborough, Academic Officer
for High School
Dr. Randy Stowe, Director of Administration
Mrs. Vicky Durden, Administrative Assistant
to Board/Superintendent

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

Devotional and Pledge were led by Dr. Shawn Foster.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chairman English stated if there were no objections the agenda would stand as amended. Mr. Green MOVED to add item: 2015-2016 School Calendar Make-up Day of October 26, 2015 to Consent Items; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 29, 2015; were presented for approval. Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 29, 2015; SECONDED by Mr. Barber; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-0-1 (Mrs. English abstained).

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- ACT's WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificate Platinum Level Recipients recognized.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No requests this meeting.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

Mrs. English informed the Board the Boardmanship Workshop with SCSBA has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Also, the Legislative Webinar was rescheduled for October 26, 2015 from 12:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY CHANGE ORDER NOTIFICATION: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-2 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: No items to discuss this meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION BY THE BUSINESS SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS INSURANCE TRUST RISK CONTROL GRANT – FY16: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the submission of the application for the South Carolina School Boards Insurance Trust Risk Control and the receipt of funds, if awarded.
- B-2 ITEMS TO BE DECLARED SURPLUS AND METHOD OF DISPOSAL: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the Administration to dispose of items in the attachment by public auction, and to enter into an agreement with an experienced auction company to conduct the auction.
- B-3 SCHEMATIC PLANS FOR THE NEW LEAVELLE MCCAMPBELL MIDDLE PROJECT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the schematic design narrative, schematic plans, and preliminary construction cost estimate for the New Leavelle McCampbell Middle Project as presented by McMillan, Pazdan, Smith Architecture.

B-4 SCHEMATIC PLANS FOR THE NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION PHASE 2A & 2B PROJECT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the schematic design narrative, schematic plans and preliminary construction cost estimate for the North Augusta High School Addition Phase 2A & 2B Project as presented by McMillan, Pazdan, Smith Architecture.

B-5 2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR MAKE-UP DAY OF OCTOBER 26, 2015: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve October 26, 2015 as one make-up day from days missed due to flooding.

Mr. Barber MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-5; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Barber MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2015-2016; certified retiree rehires for school year 2015-2016; classified personnel for school year 2015-2016; certified supplemental for school year 2015-2016; and non-employee supplemental for school year 2015-2016; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESSED TO BOARD MEMBERS: Mr. Hightower referred to information from Parent regarding NAHS Athletics.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

Dr. Alford gave a brief update of 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: Contractual Issues: Regarding CM @ Risk delivery model; and Appeals: One student from Area 1, two students from Area 2.

Mr. Atchley MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 8:36 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:41 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 10:36 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Contractual Issues: Regarding CM @ Risk delivery model; and Appeals: One student from Area 1, two students from Area 2.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES: No action necessary.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

- LEGAL BRIEFING: No action necessary.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

- a. STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 2. Mr. Green MOVED to return the student to school on strict probation; MOTION FAILED for lack of second. Mr. Liner MOVED to allow the student to attend the Alternative Program on strict probation and short term assignment; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-1 (Mr. Green opposed).
- b. STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 1. Mr. Liner MOVED to uphold the recommendation of the Administration and expel the student for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-0-1 (Mr. Hightower abstained).
- c. STUDENT RECOMMENDATION: The Board heard a recommendation regarding a student in Area 2. Mr. Hightower MOVED to uphold the recommendation of the Administration and expel the student for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 10:42 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: