

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2011, 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. Ray Fleming, Vice-Chairman  
Dr. John A. Bass  
Mr. Levi Green  
Mr. Richard Hazen  
Mr. John Wesley Hightower  
Mr. Keith Liner  
Mr. Dwight Smith  
Mrs. Donna Moore Wesby

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dr. Elizabeth Everitt, Superintendent  
Mr. David Caver, Deputy Superintendent  
Mr. William H. Burkhalter, Board Attorney  
Dr. Cecelia Hewett, Associate Superintendent  
for Administration  
Dr. Kevin O’Gorman, Associate Superintendent  
for Instruction and 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

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. Cecelia Hewett.

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 August 16, 2011 and minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 23, 2011; were presented for approval. Mrs. Wesby MOVED to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting on August 16, 2011 and minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 23, 2011; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- A video regarding 9-11 Tribute was shown.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No requests this meeting.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

No items this meeting.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 Dr. O’Gorman presented a power point presentation regarding Freshman Retention Rate (9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> grade).
- A-2 Dr. O’Gorman presented a power point presentation regarding Alternative Learning Update.
- A-3 CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN: Mr. Caver introduced architects for the Aiken High, North Augusta High, Ridge Spring Monetta High and Byrd Learning Center. Each firm presented the plans for each project and fielded questions from the Board members. Mr. Liner MOVED that the Board form a subcommittee to look at funding options for the projects presented and for future large projects; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- A-4 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Liner gave a legislative update presentation.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUEST (AREA 4): Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the requests for Out-of-District transfers with the stipulation that there will be no obligation on the part of the School District of Aiken County.
- B-2 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT PLANS FOR THE BYRD LEARNING CENTER (BLC) FOOD SERVICE OPERATION CENTER PROJECT: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the design narrative, construction document plans, final construction cost estimate, and advertise to bid the BLC Food Service Operation Center Project as presented by LS3P.

- B-3 JACKSON MIDDLE SCHOOL ADDITIONS PROJECT FINAL ARCHITECTURAL CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the Final Construction Contract documents and budget for the Jackson Middle School Additions Project and allow the administration to proceed with advertising and the acceptance of construction bids after incorporating OSF's comments.
- B-4 SOUTH CAROLINA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOMEWORK CENTER GRANT TO NORTH AIKEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – FY12: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the \$19,250 grant to North Aiken Elementary School and adjustments to the FY12 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.
- B-5 SCHOOL OUTFITTERS KEN-A-VISION SCIENCE GIVEAWAY DONATION TO AIKEN MIDDLE SCHOOL – FY12: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the acceptance of the science equipment from Ken-A-Vision for use at Aiken Middle School.
- B-6 AUGUSTA SERVICE COMPANY, INC. DONATION TO PAUL KNOX MIDDLE SCHOOL – FY12: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the \$3,000 donation to Paul Knox Middle School and adjustments to the FY12 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.
- B-7 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT #6; FUNDS #2, 3, 8 AND 9 (FY11): Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve Budget Adjustment #6; Funds #2, 3, 8 and 9 (FY11).

B-9 AMENDMENT TO POLICY CFC – ASSIGNMENT AND TRANSFER OF BUILDING ADMINISTRATORS – FIRST READING: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the proposed changes on first reading.

B-11 AMENDMENT TO POLICY JICFAA – HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, OR BULLYING – FIRST READING: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve on first reading the recommended amendment to Policy JICFAA.

Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-7, B-9, and B-11 as recommended; SECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

*Mr. Fleming MOVED to consider items B-8 and B-10; SECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; Mr. Hightower MOVED to amend the motion to consider items B-8 and B-10 separately; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; AMENDED MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY; ORIGINAL MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.*

B-8 AMENDMENT TO POLICY DKC – EXPENSE AUTHORIZATION/REIMBURSEMENT – FIRST READING: Mr. Fleming MOVED to pull Item B-8 and refer back to administration for further discussion and bring back recommendations; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Hazen opposed).

B-10 AMENDMENT TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULE GBK-R – STAFF CONCERNS/COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES – FIRST READING: Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve on first reading the proposed changes to Administrative Rule GBK-R; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Green MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2011-2012; certified retiree-rehire personnel for school year 2011-2012; classified personnel for school year 2011-2012; classified supplemental personnel for school year 2011-2012; and non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2011-2012; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; Mrs. Wesby MOVED to amend to pull the certified personnel appointments to discuss in Executive Session; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; AMENDED MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY; ORIGINAL MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

1. Email Questions – Mr. Fleming: This item was pulled and will be placed on the agenda for September 27, 2011.
2. Letter of Appreciation – Chairman English read a letter of appreciation regarding Transportation from Mr. Thibedou.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

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

Chairman English announced the Board would need to have an executive session for the purpose of considering the following matters: Employee Contractual Issue; and Personnel Issues: Administrative Appointment and Certified Personnel Appointments.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 10:09 p.m.

Executive session convened at 10:14 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 10:55 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Employee Contractual Issue; and Personnel Issues: Administrative Appointment and Certified Personnel Appointments.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

- EMPLOYEE CONTRACTUAL ISSUE: No action necessary.
- CERTIFIED PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the Certified Personnel Appointments (Item C-1) pulled from the agenda; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mrs. Wesby opposed).

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

- The Board heard a legal briefing with no action necessary.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

- ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT: Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the administrative appointment as recommended by the Superintendent; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY,

Jason Holt named Assistant Principal at South Aiken High School.

Terra Vander Linden named .5 kAssistant Princpal/.5 Math Teacher at Paul Knox Middle.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

No appeals this meeting.

Mr. Green MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 11:04 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: