

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 13, 2017

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 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. Jeremy Mace  
Mr. Ronnie West

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Ahmed Samaha

**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  
Mr. King Laurence, Chief Officer of Administration  
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  
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 Mrs. Laurie Reese.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 23, 2017; were presented for approval. Mr. Liner MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 23, 2017; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- L.B.C. Middle School was recognized as Technology award winner for NSA – Day of Cyber School Challenge.
  
- PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET: Hearing regarding Budget declared open.
  - Michael Hollis spoke regarding Budget.
  
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
  - No requests this meeting.
  
- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN
  - Chairman Green informed the Board a tour is scheduled for Leavelle McCampbell Middle School on June 22, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Liner gave a brief Legislative Update.
  
- A-2 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL 2A & 2B ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
  
- A-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE LEAVELLE MCCAMPBELL MIDDLE SCHOOL PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
  
- A-4 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL PHASE 2A ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
  
- A-5 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE SOUTH AIKEN HIGH VISITOR'S SIDE RESTROOM AND CONCESSION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
  
- A-6 FINANCIAL REPORT, AS OF APRIL 30, 2017: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 RATIFICATION OF EXPULSIONS: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board ratify the expulsion of students not appealing this action as submitted by Hearing Officer.

- B-2 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS FOR 2017-2018: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the recommendation of the Chief Officer of Administration to release the students from Aiken County to attend the out-of-district schools.
- B-3 REQUEST FROM AN INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND EXCHANGE PROGRAM SEEKING APPROVAL TO PLACE FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS IN DISTRICT SCHOOLS: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board recognize CETUSA as eligible to request placements of foreign exchange students in Aiken district schools.
- B-4 REQUEST TO ADMIT FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the foreign exchange student listed on the attached sheet for admission to the School District of Aiken County in August for the 2017-2018 school year.
- B-5 2017 RENOVATIONS OF NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL STADIUM: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the Administration to accept the low base bid totaling \$53,831.00 and enter into a contract with SITEC, LLC for the Remodeling of North Augusta High School Football Stadium Restroom; and \$20,000.00 will come from the capital outlay account in the 5 Year Facility Improvement Plan for Year 2017-2018 with the remaining balance needed of \$33,831.00 will come from the North Augusta High Football Booster Club.
- B-6 2017 PAINTING OF KENNEDY MIDDLE, A.L. CORBETT MIDDLE/BUSBEE ELEMENTARY, NORTH AIKEN ELEMENTARY, & JACKSON MIDDLE: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the bid of \$585,746.00 and enter into a contract with McKnight Construction Company, Inc., to paint Kennedy Middle, North Aiken Elementary and Jackson Middle.

- B-7 DESIGN DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATION AND BUDGET FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION PHASE 2B PROJECT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the design development plans, specifications and projected construction budget as presented and authorize the Architect to proceed with construction documents phase which is the final drawings and specifications for the Aiken High School Addition Phase 2B Project.
- B-8 WESTERN CAROLINA STATE FAIR DONATION TO THE AIKEN COUNTY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER – FY17: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$2,000 donation to Aiken County Career and Technology Center and adjustments to the FY17 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.
- B-9 SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION DUES: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize continuation of membership in the South Carolina School Boards Association.
- B-10 PUBLIC EDUCATION PARTNERS GRANT TO MILLBROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – FY17: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$1,250.00 Public Education Partners grant to Millbrook Elementary School and adjustments to the FY17 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.

Mrs. English MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-10; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

- C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve lists of classified personnel for school year 2016-2017; certified personnel for school year 2017-2018; certified retiree rehires personnel for school year 2017-2018; classified personnel for school year 2017-2018; and classified retiree rehires personnel for school year 2017-2018; SECONDED by Mrs. English; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-2 POLICY CHANGES RELATED TO REORGANIZATION – FINAL READING: Mr. Liner MOVED to adopt the proposed changes (Policies: GBGC, GBK-R, GCF-R, IJ, JH, and GCCAAA) on final reading; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-3 CHANGES TO POLICY JQ STUDENT FEES, FINES AND CHARGES- FINAL READING: Mr. Liner MOVED to adopt the proposed changes to Policy JQ on final reading; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-4 CHANGES TO POLICY EF AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE EF—R FOOD SERVICE-NUTRITION EDUCATION – FINAL READING: Mr. Liner MOVED to adopt the proposed change to Policy EF and Administrative Rule EF-R on final reading; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-5 REVISIONS TO POLICY ADF DISTRICT WELLNESS – FIRST READING: Mrs. English MOVED to approve revisions to Policy ADF wellness on first reading; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-6 REVISIONS TO THE CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT – FINAL READING: Mr. Liner MOVED to adopt on final reading the proposed Code of Student Conduct for each level as presented by the Administration; SECONDED by Mr. West; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- AREA ONE ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Barber MOVED to reappoint Linda Kapartakis, Kathy Samaha, Abby Grant and Clarence Jackson to the Area One Advisory Council; SECONDED by Mrs. English; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

- Superintendent Alford gave a brief update of events around the District.

Chairman Green 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: Personnel Issues: Consideration (discussion) of three Administrative Appointments (as proposed employment contract matters); and Legal Briefing: short verbal briefing on one administrative proceeding and one litigation status.

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

Executive session convened at 8:42 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 10:02 p.m.

Chairman Green announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Personnel Issues: Consideration (discussion) of three Administrative Appointments (as proposed employment contract matters); and Legal Briefing: short verbal briefing on one administrative proceeding and one litigation status.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

- No items this meeting.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

- LEGAL BRIEFING: No items this meeting.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

- ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:

F-3-a: ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT NORTH AIKEN ELEMENTARY: Mr. Barber MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Natonia Sullivan, Assistant Principal of North Aiken Elementary; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F-3-b: ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF GREENDALE ELEMENTARY: Mrs. English MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Christina King, Assistant Principal of Greendale Elementary; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F-3-c: PRINCIPAL AT PAUL KNOX MIDDLE SCHOOL: Mrs. English MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent including salary adjustment and appoint Jason Holt, Principal of Paul Knox Middle School; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

No items this meeting.

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

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: