

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2019

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, at 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. Keith Liner, Chairman
Mr. Dwight Smith, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Jason Crane
Mrs. Rosemary English
Mr. Barry Moulton
Mrs. Sandra Shealey

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Tad Barber
Mr. Ahmed Samaha
Mr. Brian Silas

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Shawn Foster, Chief Officer of Operations and Student Services
Mr. Tray Traxler, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. King Laurence, Chief Officer of Administration
Mrs. Jeanie Glover, Chief Officer of Instruction
Mrs. Jennifer Hart, Director of Human Resources
Mrs. Julie Revelle, Executive Director
of Elementary School
Dr. Mendi Tucker, Executive Director
of Elementary School
Mrs. Phyllis Gamble, Executive Director
of Middle School
Mrs. Vicky Durden, Administrative Assistant
to Board of Education/Superintendent

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

Devotional and Pledge were led by Mrs. Jennifer Hart.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 11, 2018; were presented for approval. Mrs. English MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 11, 2018; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Minutes of the Special Called Meeting on December 15, 2018; were presented for approval. Mrs. English MOVED to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting on December 15, 2018; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION carried on a voted of 5-0-1 (Mrs. Shealey abstained).

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Dr. Gary Senn presented the Spirit of Ruth Patrick award to April Layfield, teacher at Millbrook Elementary.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
 - Vicki Morris spoke regarding MVHS bathrooms.
- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN
 - Chairman Liner discussed the following: Budget 101 Work Study scheduled January 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office. Regular Meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: No update this meeting.

- A-2 AIKEN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL UPDATE: Dr. Randy Stowe presented a power point presentation regarding Aiken Intermediate School.

- A-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL 2B ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

- A-4 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL PHASE 2B ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

- A-5 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE RIDGE SPRING-MONETTA MIDDLE/HIGH PHASE 2 ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

- A-6 FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY CHANGE ORDER NOTIFICATION: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

- A-7 FINANCIAL REPORT, AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2018: 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 the Hearing Officer.
- B-2 WESTERN CAROLINA STATE FAIR DONATION TO THE AIKEN COUNTY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER – FY19: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the \$2,000 donation to Aiken County Career and Technology Center and adjustments to the FY19 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.
- B-3 SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION BY THE BUSINESS SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS INSURANCE TRUSE RISK CONTROL GRANT – FY19: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the submission of the application for the South Carolina School Boards Insurance Trust Risk Control Grant and the receipt of funds, if awarded.
- B-4 ITEMS TO BE DECLARED SURPLUS AND METHOD OF DISPOSAL – ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board to authorize the administration to dispose of electronic surplus items (E-Waste) by utilizing the SC State Contract (4400012206) for Electronic Recycling.
- B-5 ITEMS TO BE DECLASSED SURPLUS AND METHOD OF DISPOSAL – ACTIVITY BUS: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board declare the bus as surplus and authorize the administration to sell the bus using GovDeal.com.

B-6 DETAILED LAWN MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR BIDS FOR AREA ONE: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the low base bid plus Millbrook Elementary once negotiated, and to enter into a contract with Plantation Nurseries for Detailed Lawn Maintenance Services for Area One as part of a lawn maintenance pilot program.

B-7 SUBMISSION OF EARLY HEAD START GRANT: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the submission of the application for Early Head Start Grant and the receipt of funds, if awarded.

Mrs. English MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-7 as presented; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mrs. English MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2018-2019; classified personnel for school year 2018-2019; classified retiree rehires for school year 2018-2019; and classified supplemental personnel for school year 2018-2019; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2 EXPANSION OF THEMATIC PROGRAMS: Mrs. English MOVED to approve the thematic designations for each of the six schools to begin implementation in the 2019-2020 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Moulton; MOTION carried on a vote of 5-1 (Mr. Liner opposed).

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- **SALARY COMMITTEE:** Salary Committee met prior to the board meeting on January 8, 2019. The committee will bring recommendations to the Board for consideration at the Budget 101 Work Study on January 15, 2019.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

- **POST-SECONDARY OUTCOMES: COLLEGE ENROLLMENT TRENDS FOR ACPSD GRADUATES:** Sharon Worley presented a power point presentation regarding Post-Secondary Outcomes.

Chairman Liner announced the Board would need a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering the following matters in such order as the Board deems appropriate, to wit. **APPEALS:** one Student Appeal for Area 1; and one Out-of-District Transfer Appeal for Area 2.

Mrs. English **MOVED** to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; **SECONDED** by Mr. Crane; **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**. The regular session recessed at 8:16 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:26 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 8:58 p.m.

Chairman Barber announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: APPEALS: one Student Appeal for Area 1; and one Out-of-District Transfer Appeal for Area 2.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

- No items this meeting.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

- No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

- No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

- a. STUDENT APPEAL (AREA 1): The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 1. Mrs. English MOVED to uphold the recommendation of the Hearing Officer and expel the student for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b. OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL (AREA 2): The Board heard an appeal from the grandparent of a middle school student. Mrs. Shealey MOVED to allow the student to enroll at North Augusta Middle School for the 2018-2019 school year. Also included in the motion, the Board voted to waive tuition with the stipulations the attendance, grade and discipline meet the requirements for transferred students; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mrs. English MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mrs. Shealey; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: