

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 8, 2013

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2013, 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  
Mr. Levi Green  
Mr. Tad Barber  
Mr. Richard Hazen  
Mr. John Wesley Hightower  
Mr. Keith Liner  
Mr. Dwight Smith  
Mr. Ronnie West

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  
Mrs. Peggy Trivelas, 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 of Education/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 Mr. Levi Green.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 24, 2013; were presented for approval. Mr. Hazen MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 24, 2013; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-0-1 (Mrs. English abstained).

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Superintendent Everitt introduced New principals, Assistant principals and Directors.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No request this meeting.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

Chairman English informed the Board as follow: Budget Work Study on October 15, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., Area Council Meet and Greet on October 17, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., and Seek Feedback on Proposed General Administrative Guidelines for Loans from the Board.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: Mrs. Glover presented a power point presentation regarding District Strategic Plan.
- A-2 LIFE CYCLES OF ACPS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS: Mr. Caver presented a power point presentation regarding Life Cycles of ACPS Construction Projects. Mr. Liner MOVED to have the Administration develop a proposed timeline to be brought back at the October 22, 2013, Board meeting for steps necessary to schedule a construction initiative with an end point to be a possible ballot initiative by the November 2014, general election; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION carried on a vote of 6-3 (Mr. Hightower, Mrs. English, and Mr. Barber Opposed). Mr. Hightower MOVED to schedule a vote on the November 2014 ballot at the October 22, 2013, Board meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION failed on a vote of 1-8 (Mr. Smith, Mr. Liner, Mr. Barber, Mr. Fleming, Mrs. English, Mr. Hazen, Mr. Green, and Mr. West opposed).
- A-3 FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY CHANGE ORDER NOTIFICATION: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-4 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: No legislative items this meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the Out-of-District transfer requests as presented by the Director of Administrative Services.

B-2 REQUEST TO ADMIT FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the foreign exchange student listed for admission to the School District of Aiken County in January for the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.

B-3 WARRENVILLE ELEMENTARY'S TITLE I DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL NOMINEE GRANT: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the \$5,000 Title I Distinguished School Nominee Grant to Warrenville Elementary School.

Mr. Green MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-3; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1 PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Liner MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2013-2014; certified retiree-rehire personnel for school year 2013-2014; classified personnel for school year 2013-2014; certified supplemental personnel for school year 2013-2014; classified supplemental personnel over \$1500 for school year 2013-2014; and non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2013-2014; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-3 POLICY DGD – AMENDMENT TO POLICY DGD CREDIT CARDS AND PURCHASING CARDS (AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE DGD-R) – FINAL READING: Mr. Fleming MOVED to adopt on final reading the recommended changes to Policy DGD and Administrative Rule DGD-R; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-4 POLICY EFE – AMENDMENT TO POLICY EFE COMPETITIVE FOOD SALES –  
FINAL READING: Mr. Limer MOVED to adopt on final reading the proposal  
changes to Policy EFE; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower: MOTION CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- AREA 4 ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. West MOVED to  
reappoint Mr. James Davis and appoint Mr. Brian Derrick to the Area 4  
Advisory Council; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

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

Chairman English announced the Board would need to have an executive session for  
the purpose of considering the following matters: Appeals as follow: one student appeal  
from Area 3; one student appeal from Area 2; and one student appeal from Area1; Legal  
briefing: dealing with legal ramifications of a policy issue.

Mr. Barber MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED  
by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed  
at 8:42 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:47 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 9:28 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Appeals as follow: one student appeal from Area 3; one student appeal from Area 2; and one student appeal from Area1; Legal briefing: dealing with legal ramifications of a policy issue.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

- LEGAL CONSIDERATION RELATIVE TO PROPOSED POLICY CHANGE:  
No action necessary.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

No items this meeting.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

F-5-a: FOREIGN EXCHANGE APPEAL (AREA1) – The appeal was withdrawn.

F-5-b: STUDENT APPEAL (AREA 3): The Board an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 3. Mr. Hightower MOVED to uphold the decision of the Administration and expel the student for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F-5-c: STUDENT APPEAL (AREA 2): The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 2. Mr. Liner MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and expel the student for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION carried on a vote of 6-3 (Mr. Barber, Mr. Hazen and Mr. West opposed).

F-5-d: STUDENT APPEAL (AREA 1): The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 1. Mr. Green MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and allow the student to attend the Center of Innovative Learning at Pinecrest on short term assignment and participate in the One Degree At A Time Program; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: