

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 9, 2012

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2012, 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. 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. 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 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 Mrs. Donna Wesby.

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 25, 2012, were presented for approval. Mr. Green MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 25, 2012; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-0-1 (Dr. Bass abstained).

#### SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Mr. Giancroce, Owner of Mr. Central Heat and Air made a donation to teachers in the amount of \$4000.
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Dr. Marsha Harris spoke regarding Parental Involvement.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

Chairman English announced the Board would need to schedule an Executive Session Board Meeting regarding Superintendent's Evaluation. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 4, 2012, at 6:00 p.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY CHANGE ORDER NOTIFICATION: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-2 END OF COURSE PRESENTATION: Mr. Laurence presented a power point presentation regarding End of Course,
- A-3 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Liner discussed several issues regarding Legislative concerns.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- B-1 PROPOSED 2013-2014 BUDGET CALENDAR: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the proposed 2013-2014 budget calendar as presented.
- B-2 2013-2015 GRADUATION CEREMONIES IN USC-A CONVOCATION CENTER AND PROPOSED GRADUATION SCHEDULE: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board allow the administration to rent the Convocation Center for the high school graduations and approve the graduation ceremony schedule as discussed by the Board.
- B-3 RIDGE SPRING-MONETTA HIGH ADDITION PHASE I PROJECT FINAL ARCHITECTURAL CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the Final Construction Contract drawings and budget for the Ridge Spring-Monetta High School Addition Phase I Project and

allow the administration to proceed with advertising and the acceptance of construction bids.

B-4 SPECIAL EDUCATION RELATED SERVICES CONTRACTS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve contracts for transportation maintenance and fueling.

B-5 SC ASSOCIATION OF FFA GRANT TO WAGENER-SALLEY HIGH SCHOOL – FY13: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the \$1,500 SC Association of FFA grant to Wagener-Salley High School and adjustments to the FY13 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-5; 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 2012-2013; classified personnel for school year 2012-2013; classified personnel related to administrator/board member for school year 2012-2013; certified supplemental personnel for school year 2012-2013; and non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2012-2013; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2 PROPOSED CHANGES TO POLICY AAA – LEGAL STATUS OF AREA ADVISORY COUNCILS AND ADMINISTRATIVE AREAS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the proposed changes and amendments to Policy AAA on first reading.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

- Mrs. Wesby invited the Board to a “Meet the Candidates” forum at Friendship Baptist Church on October 24, 2012, from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. sponsored by Education Matters.

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: Legal briefing as follows: brief update on two legal claims; and two Administrative appeals from Area 5 and one student appeal from Area 4.

Mr. Fleming MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 8:30 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:35 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 10:20 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Legal briefing as follows: brief update on two legal claims; and two Administrative appeals from Area 5 and one student appeal from Area 4.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

No items this meeting.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

F-5-a: ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the Administration in Area 5. Mr. Hightower MOVED to uphold the Tribunal decision and allow the student to attend the Alternative Program in Area 5 on short term placement and on strict probation; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION carried on a vote of 6-3 (Mr. Smith, Mrs. English, and Mr. Hazen opposed).

F-5-b: ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the Administration in Area 5. Mr. Fleming MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and allow the student to attend the Alternative Program on short term placement and on strict probation. Also included in the motion, the student will attend the Center of Innovative Learning at Pinecrest until short term placement is completed and will return to the school in Area 1 which he is zoned; SECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F-5-c: STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a middle school student in Area 4. Mr. Hightower MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and allow the student to attend the Center of Innovative Learning at Pinecrest on strict probation for long term placement. Also included in the motion, as an alternative choice of assignment for the student, the Board allowed the student to be enrolled in the Virtual School instead of the Tribunal's limited assignment; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Fleming MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: