

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 22, 2012

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 22, 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:

Mr. David Caver, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. William H. Burkhalter, Board Attorney
Mr. Tray Traxler, Comptroller
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 Mrs. Donna Wesby.

Dr. Bass requested a moment of silence for the Dunn boys and their family.

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 May 1, 2012; and minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 8, 2012; were presented for approval. Mr. Green **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on May 1, 2012; **SECONDED** by Mr. Hazen; **MOTION** carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Hightower abstained). Mr. Green **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 8, 2012; **SECONDED** by Mr. Hazen; **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- Jackson Cooper was recognized as the Cup Stacking National Champion.
- The Board recognized Aiken Elementary Knowledge Masters Champions.
- WSHS FFA State Champions were recognized.
- WSHS ROTC Drill Team was recognized.

- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No requests were made.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

No items this meeting.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A-1 FINANCIAL REPORT, AS OF MARCH 31, 2012: The board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-2 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE BYRD LEARNING CENTER (BLC) FOOD SERVICE OPERATION CENTER PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE JACKSON MIDDLE SCHOOL ADDITIONS PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-4 EAST AIKEN SCHOOL OF THE ARTS PILOT PROGRAM UPDATE: Mrs. Carrie Power presented a power point presentation regarding the pilot program at East Aiken School of the Arts.

A-5 FACILITY FUNDING COMMITTEE: Mr. Hazen presented a power point presentation regarding Facility Funding. After much discussion, Mr. Fleming MOVED to have the administration compose an RFP regarding the survey/marketing for 1 cent sales tax increase; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Hightower opposed).

A-6 BUDGET UPDATE: Mr. Traxler presented a power point presentation regarding an update for the 2012-2013 budget.

A-7 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Liner presented a power point presentation regarding Legislative Update.

A-8 DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONS CONCERNING INTERNET SAFETY: Mr. Burkhalter presented a power point presentation regarding Internet Safety.

CONSENT ITEMS:

B-1 RATIFICATION OF EXPULSIONS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board ratify the expulsion of students not appealing this action as submitted by Academic Officers. A request to have the second name pulled from the list for addition information was agreed upon.

B-2 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the requests for Out-of-District transfers.

B-3 MIGRANT EDUCATION BASIC FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize submission of the application to the State Department of Education, adjustment of the Fund 2 Budget to the amount of the grant award, and implementation of the program.

Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-3 as recommended; SECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

- C-1: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mr. Green MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2011-2012; certified personnel for school year 2012-2013; and classified personnel for school year 2011-2012; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-2: RE-EMPLOYMENT OF NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL FOR 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR: Mr. Limer MOVED to approve the re-employment for the 2012-2013 school year all non-instructional personnel under Service Agreements and not listed on the attached list. Personnel listed on the attached "HOLD" list may be recommended for employment at a later date; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-3: UPDATES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY (IJNDB) AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE (IJNB-R) – SECOND READING: Mr. Fleming MOVED to adopt the recommended changes to the policy and administrative rule on second reading; SECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-4: RENAMING OF EAST AIKEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Mrs. Wesby MOVED to approve the resolution, and authorize the Chair to sign this resolution for the Board's minutes, and authorize the Administrative Assistant to the Board to attest a true and correct copy to be submitted to the State Department of Education; SECONDED by Mr. Green, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-5 ALTERNATIVE LEARNING UPDATE AND REVISION OF FUND 338 (ALTERNATIVE LEARNING BUDGET) AND PROPOSED POSITIONS: Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the four new positions as recommended by the Division of Instruction. Those four positions include: Inschool Suspension Proctor, Coordinator for Virtual Learning, Short-Term Proctor, and Secretary; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No update for this meeting.

Chairman English announced the Board would need to have an executive session for the purpose of considering the following matters: Very Short legal briefing related to one administrative litigation appeal matter, two employment security appeals, and one contractual matter; patron appeal on a policy issue; and student appeals as follow: three from Area 1 and one from Area 4.

Mr. Hightower MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 9:02 p.m.

Executive session convened at 9:07 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 10:25 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Very Short legal briefing related to one administrative litigation appeal matter, two employment security appeals, and one contractual matter; patron appeal on a policy issue; and student appeals as follow: three from Area 1 and one from Area 4.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

- No legal briefing this meeting.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

F-5-a: STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a middle school student in Area 1. Mr. Green MOVED to suspend the student for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year and allow the student to take exams; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F-5-b: STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 1. Mr. Fleming MOVED to suspend the student for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year and allow the student to take exams; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION carried on a vote of 6-3 (Mr. Hightower, Mr. Hazen, and Mr. Smith opposed).

F-5-c: STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard a patron appeal regarding waiver of District Policy concerning foreign student. Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve a waiver of the two foreign student limit at South Aiken High School for only the first semester of the 2012-2013 school year, allowing the petitioning student to attend for the entire school year; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Hightower opposed).

F-5-d: STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 4. Mr. Green MOVED to suspend the student for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year and all the student to take exams; SECONDED by Dr. Bass, MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Hazen opposed).

F-5-e: STUDENT APPEAL: The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a high school student in Area 1. Mr. Fleming 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 the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year also IEP will determine placement for the 2012-2013 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Fleming MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: