

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 8, 2012

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 8, 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. William H. Burkhalter, Board Attorney
Mr. Tray Traxler, Comptroller
Dr. Cecelia Hewett, Associate Superintendent
for Administration
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. Janice Kitchings.

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 April 10, 2012; minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 17, 2012; and minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on April 24, 2012; were presented for approval. Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on April 10, 2012; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-2 (Mr. Fleming and Mrs. Wesby abstained). Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 17, 2012; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-0-1 (Mrs. Wesby abstained). Mrs. Wesby MOVED to approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on April 24, 2012; SECONDED by Mr. Fleming; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-0-2 (Mr. Liner and Dr. Bass abstained).

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- SAHS NJROTC was recognized as Nation Cyber Champions.
- KMS State Future City winners were recognized.
- NAHS FBLA State winners were recognized.

- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No requests were made.

- OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

- Chairman English announced the next meeting for Board Subcommittee PR/Communications is scheduled for Friday, May 11, 2012, at 12:00 a.m. at the District Office.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 FINANCIAL REPORT, AS OF FEBRUARY 29, 2012: The board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-2 SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE PREFERRED MEALS UPDATE: Mrs. Wafford presented a power point presentation regarding SFS Preferred Meals Update.
- A-3 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: Mr. Liner presented a power point presentation regarding Legislative Update.

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 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 August for the 2012-2013 school year.
- B-3 2012-2013 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize the submission of the request for school improvement funds to the State Department of Education and the implementation of school improvement strategies for the 2012-2013 school year.
- B-4 TITLE III ALLOCATIONS FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITIONS, FY13: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the grant award in the amount of \$152,809 adjustments to the FY13 Fund 2 Budget to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures and implementation of the program.
- B-5 BI-LO, LLC DONATION TO J.D.LEVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – FY12: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the \$1,239.15 Bi-Lo, LLC donation to J.D. Lever Elementary School and adjustments to the FY12 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and expenditures.
- B-6 SUNSHINE HOUSE, INC DONATION TO EAST AIKEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – FY12: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the Sunshine House, Inc. donation to East Aiken Elementary School and adjustments to the FY12 Special Revenue Fund to reflect the amount of the award and the expenditures.
- B-7 TITLE I SCHOOL ALLOCATIONS FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve Title I allocations and school-based coaches for the 2012-2013 school year.

- B-8 SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT TEXTBOOK ADOPTION: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board adopt textbook recommendations of the textbook committee as submitted to the Associate Superintendent for Instruction and Accountability.
- B-9 THE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF ASBESTOS CONTAINING FLOOR TILE AND MASTIC AT OAKWOOD-WINDSOR ELEMENTARY PROJECT: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the lowest responsible and responsive bid and enter into a contract with Asbestos & Demolition, Inc. in the amount of \$24,750.00.
- B-10 REPLACEMENT OF GLOVERVILLE ELEMENTARY AND LEAVELLE MCCAMPBELL MIDDLE INTERCOM SYSTEM: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the low bid of \$388,728.00 and enter into a contract with G&G Electrical Services for replacement of the existing Intercom system at Gloverville Elementary and Leavelle McCampbell Middle.
- B-11 2012 A.L. CORBETT MIDDLE SCHOOL ADDITIONS PROJECT: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the low base bid and enter into a contract with RCN Contracting for the 2012 A.L. Corbett Middle School Additions Project for a project amount of \$528,661.00.
- B-12 2012 INSTALLATION OF CARPET AND VINYL COMPOSITION FLOOR TILE AT AIKEN MIDDLE, KENNEDY MIDDLE, NORTH AIKEN ELEMENTARY (K-WING & MEDIA), OAKWOOD-WINDSOR ELEMENTARY (OLD BUILDING), ACCTC AND SILVER BLUFF HIGH: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the low base bid and enter into a contract with The Carpet Shop of Augusta, Georgia in the amount of \$390,395.00

for 2012 Installation of Carpet and Vinyl Composition Floor Tile at Aiken Middle, Kennedy Middle, North Aiken Elementary (k-wing & Media), Oakwood-Windsor Elementary (old building), ACCTC and Silver Bluff High.

B-13 WIRELESS TEMPERATURE MONITORING SOFTWARE FOR FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board accept the bid proposal of the low responsive bidder, Norvell, and approve use of \$155,439 from SFS fund balance to purchase the monitoring system.

B-14 DELIVERY TRUCK FOR SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve use of SFS fund balance to purchase a new truck through State contract and award the bid for the refrigeration box to the low responsive bidder at a total estimated cost of \$79,000.00.

B-15 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Superintendent Everitt recommended the Board approve the requests for Out-of-District transfers.

Mr. Green MOVED to approve items B-1 through B-15 as recommended; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

C-1: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Mrs. Wesby 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. Green; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C-2: TENTATIVE BUDGET 2012-2013: Mr. Traxler presented a power point presentation regarding Tentative Budget 2012-2013. Mr. Fleming MOVED to use Fund Balance to cover the following: migration from current platform and wireless overlay; and security cameras; and include in the 2012-2013 budget recurring cost as follow: creating 4 new curriculum coach positions; minimum additional Technology staff (2 contracted positions and 2 Specialist positions); and 1 FTE for East Aiken School of the Arts Program and 1 FTE for Strings program; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; Mr. Hazen MOVED to table the motion for further discussion after completing the agenda and Executive Session; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; The MOTION made to table the ORIGINAL MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Hightower opposed). Mr. Hightower then MOVED to schedule a Special Called Meeting on May 15 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss in detail budget concerns and recommendations; SECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; MOTION carried on a vote of 8-1 (Mr. Hazen opposed). A subsequent vote on the original motion (“as tabled”) was ruled to be unnecessary and has been removed from the minutes, based upon the opinion and recommendation of legal counsel. (The tabling action took precedence over the then-pending main motion and laid that main motion on the table pending the disposition of other scheduled business.)

C-3: UPDATES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY (IJNDB) AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE (IJNB-R) – FIRST READING: Mr. Hightower MOVED to approve the recommended changes to the policy and administrative rule on first reading; SECONDED by Mr. Smith; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

No items this meeting.

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: Administrative Appointments and student appeals as follow: one from Area 1; one from Area 3; and two from Area 5.

Mr. Green MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 9:11 p.m.

Executive session convened at 9:16 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 10:31 p.m.

Chairman English announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Administrative Appointments and student appeals as follow: one from Area 1; one from Area 3; and two from Area 5.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

- No legal briefing this meeting.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

- ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:
 - Mrs. Wesby MOVED to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent and appoint Mr. King Laurence, Associate Superintendent for Instruction and Accountability; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
 - Mr. Fleming MOVED to approve the recommendations of the Superintendent and appoint the following:
 - Brad Watson, Principal of Warrenton Elementary
 - Lisa Fallaw, Principal of East Aiken School of the Arts
 - Wendy Jacobs, Principal of North Augusta Middle School
 - Warren Wintode, Principal of Ridge Spring-Monetta High School
 - Collete Johnson, Principal of Silver Bluff HighSECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2012-2013 BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS: Mr. Fleming MOVED requested the administration bring to the Board information regarding millage increase associated with each recommended item and also include millage on cars, boats, etc.; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

F-5-a: STUDENT APPEAL: Mr. Smith MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and expel the student for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year; SECONDED by Dr. Bass; MOTION failed on a vote of 4-5 (Mr. Liner, Mrs. Wesby, Mr. Hazen, Mr. Green, and Mr. Hightower opposed). Mr. Green MOVED to allow the student to attend the Center of Innovative Learning at Pinecrest on strict probation for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-2 (Dr. Bass and Mr. Smith opposed).

F-5-b: STUDENT APPEAL: Mr. Green MOVED to uphold the decision of the Tribunal and expel the student for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Hightower; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F-5-c: STUDENT APPEAL: Mr. Green 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; SECONDED by Mrs. Wesby; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F-5-d: STUDENT APPEAL: Mr. Hightower MOVED to uphold the recommendation of the Administration and expel the student for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Green MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Hazen; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 10:47 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: