

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
APRIL 16, 2024

The Aiken County Board of Education met for the Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at the District Office, 1000 Brookhaven Drive, Aiken, at 6:00 p.m. In accordance with S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, amended Section 30-4-80, print and broadcast news media were notified of the time, date, place, and web location of this meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Cameron Nuessle, Chairman  
Mr. Dwight Smith, Vice-Chairman  
Dr. John Bradley  
Mr. Jim Broome  
Dr. Patricia Hanks  
Ms. Patrice Rhinehart-Jackson  
Mr. Brian Silas  
Mrs. Deborah Tyler

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Barry Moulton

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. King Laurence, Superintendent  
Mrs. Kim Chriswell, Administrative Assistant  
to Superintendent/Board of Education

Chairman Nuessle called the special called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

Moment of Silence and Pledge were led by Chairman Nuessle

- ONE PERCENT SALES TAX RENEWAL: District Administration presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding proposed timeline and dates and a list of projects for consideration for renewal of sales tax on November 5, 2024.

- 2024-2025 BUDGET: Mr. Traxler presented a power point presentation regarding district budget timeline and state budget timeline, proposed state teacher step and scale increase, proposed state bus driver pay increase, step increase for non-teachers, considerations of other budget changes regarding state retirement and health insurance, estimating revenue and evaluating funding options, and tiered priority budget requests from the school board, schools and departments not included in the preliminary budget. Mr. Traxler fielded questions from the board.
1. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to approve lists of certified personnel for school year 2024-25, certified retiree rehire personnel for school year 2024-25, certified personnel for school year 2023-24, classified personnel for school year 2024-25, classified retiree rehire personnel for school year 2024-25, classified personnel for school year 2023-24, classified supplemental personnel for school year 2024-25, and non-employee supplemental personnel for school year 2024-25; and to remove from consideration line #2 on list of personnel appointments to discuss in a future executive session at an upcoming meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Silas; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
  2. CONSIDERATION TO EMPLOY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC TRAINERS: Dr. Bradley MOVED to defer the budget request until additional information is available regarding the 2024-2025 budget; SECONDED by Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson; MOTION carried on a vote of 7-1 (Mr. Broome opposed).

Ms. Rhinehart-Jackson MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Silas; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY: Kim Chriswell

APPROVED: