

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA

OFFICIAL AGENDA REGULAR SESSION 6:00 P.M. JULY 14, 2020
Location: 1000 Brookhaven Drive Aiken, SC

REGULAR SESSION: 6:00 P.M.

MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE: Mr. Keith Liner

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting – June 23, 2020

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS:

- Public Participation
 - No Requests This Meeting
- Office of the Board Chairman

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. CONTRACTUAL ISSUES

- No Items This Meeting

2. EMPLOYMENT MATTERS

- Administrative Appointment – (a.)
- Administrative Appointment – (b.)
- Item (c.)

3. APPEALS

- No Items This Meeting

4. LEGAL BRIEFING

- Legal Advice Concerning Re-Opening of School

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

ACTION OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: The following items are for information only and do not require Board Action.

1. Construction Status Reports for the Belvedere Elementary School Addition & Renovations Project.

In an effort to keep the Board current on the status and budget of this school construction project, the Architects for this project, McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture and the Administration prepare a monthly status report for the Board's review

2. Construction Status Reports for the Midland Valley High Addition Project

In an effort to keep the Board current on the status and budget of this school construction project, the Architects for this project, McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture and the Administration prepare a monthly status report for the Board's review.

3. Construction Status Reports for the Millbrook Elementary Additions & Renovations Project

In an effort to keep the Board current on the status and budget of this school construction project, the Architects for this project, Goodwyn Mills and Cawood (GMC), and the Administration prepare a monthly status report for the Board's review.

4. Construction Status Reports for the North Augusta High School Phase III Addition Project

In an effort to keep the Board current on the status and budget of this school construction project, the Architects for this project, McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture and the Administration prepare a monthly status report for the Board's review.

5. Construction Status Reports for the Ridge Spring-Monetta Elementary Phase 3 Addition Project

In an effort to keep the Board current on the status and budget of this school construction project, the Architects for this project, LS3P Associates LTD., and the Administration prepare a monthly status report for the Board's review.

6. Facilities Construction Department Quarterly Change Order Notification

Policy FGG sets the limit of approval for construction change orders by the Superintendent or designee up to \$15, 000, and 00. The policy requires a summary of such change orders to be presented to the Board at least once a quarter for notification.

B. CONSENT ITEMS: The following items will be voted on as a group, individual items may be discussed prior to a vote being taken.

1. Change Order Number 1 for the 2019 Remodeling of Restrooms @ Greendale Elementary (Mr. Chipman)

- Unused allowances for this project.....<\$16,412.00>

Credit in the amount of.....<16,412.00>

2. CARES Act Emergency Operating Grants for Child Care Providers Submission for Freedmen Early Learning Center – FY21 (Mrs. Glover)

The Freedmen Early Learning Center is requesting to submit a grant application for the CARES Act Emergency Operating Grants for Child Care Providers for \$10,000.00. The CARES Act Emergency Operating Grants for Child Care Providers is a one-time grant available to licensed and registered childcare providers to assist them in remaining open or reopening quickly and safely.

Funds are designed to help childcare providers that have had to close or have lost revenue due to low enrollments during the last several weeks as a result of COVID-19. This grant opportunity is available to assist providers based on enrollment. The grant funds will be used for PPE and sanitizing equipment and supplies such as masks, gloves, touchless automatic hand sanitizer dispensers, hand sanitizers for dispensers, sanitizing wipes, etc.

3. Kevin & Brittany Kisner Foundation Donation to Hammond Hill Elementary School – FY21 (Mrs. Glover)

Hammond Hill Elementary School was given a \$2,000.00 donation from the Kevin & Brittany Kisner Foundation. The funds from this donation will be used to purchase books for at-risk students to read over the summer and general/instructional materials and supplies for teacher read-alouds and parent strategies for reading with children.

4. Submission of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act Education for Homeless Children and Youths 2020-21 Discretionary Subgrant – FY21

The South Carolina Department of Education awards grants, subject to available funds, to local educational agencies (LEAs) for the purpose of facilitating the identification, enrollment, attendance, and success in school of homeless children and youths. Under the McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youths Program, state educational agencies must ensure that each homeless child and youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including preschool education, as other children and youth. Many of these children live in shelters or transitional housing; some stay with relatives; others may live in cars, abandoned buildings, or other substandard accommodations.

The Aiken County School District is proposing to submit a grant for \$45,000 to assist identified homeless students for the 2020-2021 school year. Funds will be used to assist identified students with the following: transportation costs to allow students to remain in their school of origin; tutoring services; referral services for medical, dental, mental and other health services; records and immunization costs; summer school; credit recovery; coordination between schools and other supporting agencies; special program fees; basic graduation supply costs; school supplies; basic clothing and personal items. School counselors and Title I Student Service Workers will assist in identifying and serving homeless students who meet the McKinney-Vento guidelines.

5. South Carolina School Boards Association Dues (Mr. Laurence)

Over the past years, the Aiken County Board of Education has purchased membership in the South Carolina Schools Boards Association. In addition to membership benefits, the Association provided a policy update service and legal assistance fund. Also included is an annual policy maintenance and Internet subscription fee.

C. INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

1. Personnel Appointments (Mrs. Hart)

The certified and classified personnel presented have been screened by the Human Resources Department, and interviewed, and/or approved by the Principal or supervisor for each location.

2. Out-of-District Transfer Requests (Dr. Minolfo)

Board Policy JFAB allows the Aiken County Board of Education to arrange with other school districts for the interchange of students. The policy stipulates that non-resident students transfer into the District “the parent legal guardian must assume responsibility for transportation. The Board will hold nonresident students to the behavioral and academic requirements set out in policy JFAA, admission of resident students. The district may charge tuition to nonresident students seeking to enroll in district schools.”

3. Out-of-District Transfer Requests (Dr. Minolfo)

Board Policy JFABC allows the Aiken Board of Education to arrange with other school districts for the interchange of students. The policy stipulates that when students transfer out of the District, “the School District of Aiken County shall assume no responsibility for tuition to the receiving district.”

4. Addition of Administrative Rules GCC-R(3) (Professional Staff) and GDC-R(3) (Support Staff), Professional Leave - Internships (Mrs. Hart)

Administrative Rules GCC-R (3) (Professional Staff) and GDC-R (3) (Support Staff), Professional Leave – Internships, establish guidelines to allow staff members to participate in internship opportunities without adversely affecting their employment status.

5. Back to School Task Force Proposal (Mr. Laurence)

D. INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

1. AGENDA ITEMS SUBMITTED BY INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

2. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESSED TO BOARD MEMBERS

3. REPORTS FROM BOARD LIASION TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES

E. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

- Superintendent’s Update
(Action may be taken on these items as necessary)

- L.E.A.P. Days
- Head Start/Early Head Start

- EXECUTIVE SESSION IF NEEDED FOR ADDITIONAL LEGAL ADVICE ON BACK TO SCHOOL PLANS

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSES IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

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