

**REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. TWO
DISTRICT OFFICE
November 27, 2017
7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Florence County School District No. Two was held in the District Administrative Office on Monday, November 27, 2017.

Those present: **Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr.**
 Mrs. Angela P. Keith
 Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston
 Mrs. Mona Lisa A. Andrews
 Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins
 Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr.

Those absent: **Mr. Robert B. Singletary**

Call to Order

Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. by welcoming visitors and staff. Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston served as secretary.

Declaration of FOIA

In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-89 (d), as amended, local news media and public were notified of the time, date, place, and agenda of the meeting.

Recognition and Awards

Mr. Legrande Richardson recognized Trenton James Drawdy and Jacob Wardie Lyerly for achieving a maximum scale score on SC PASS. He also recognized Salvador Torres for receiving a maximum scale score on SC READY. Mr. Richardson congratulated each student on a job well done.

Mr. Doug Walker recognized Jacob Howanich and Colton Mims for being chosen as SOUTH-TEC's Champions of Tomorrow - Rising stars. Mr. Walker congratulated each student on a job well done.

Consent Agenda Items

A motion was made by Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr. to approve Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Agenda, Approval of Board Minutes, Approval of Financial Reports, Approval of Textbook, and Approval of a Fieldtrip but to pull the Approval of Online Testing Waiver for discussion. Mrs. Angela P. Keith seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation

None

Superintendent Update

Mr. Neal Vincent began the update with an overview of MAP testing data for Montessori Cohort 1. Next, he discussed Act 284 (Read to Succeed) which requires that, beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, a student must be retained in the third grade if he/she fails to demonstrate reading proficiency at the end of third grade as indicated by scoring at the lowest achievement level (below basic 1) on the reading assessment SC READY. He stated that HPEM faculty and staff are working hard to ensure that no students are retained due this act. Ultimately, parents may appeal to the Superintendent if their child is retained as the result of the requirement in this act. Mr. Vincent closed by stating that the SBE approved an additional \$162,000 in Abbeville Capital funds.

Action Items

Promotion and Recruitment Materials - Mr. Vincent presented the Board several updated District logo designs for consideration. After considerably discussion, the administration pulled the recommendation to allow additional input from stakeholders.

Amended Acquisition Agreement - Mr. Neal Vincent presented the Board with an amendment to the District's prior Acquisition Agreement resolution allowing for the purchase of classroom furniture and other equipment for use therein with funds remaining not used from previous approved equipment. Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston made a motion to approve the Amended Acquisition Agreement and Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Surplus Equipment - Mr. Neal Vincent stated that District administration is requesting permission to offer surplus equipment/supplies valued under \$1,500 for online auction through GovDeals.com: Government Surplus Auctions. A report of transactions will be available upon request. All funds from these surplus sales will be deposited in the general fund. Further, surplus equipment/supplies valued over \$1,500 will be presented to the full Board for action. Mrs. Angela P. Keith made a motion to approve the new procedures for surplus equipment and Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Meeting Location for December - Mr. Neal Vincent informed the Board that the date for the December meeting had been published but the location needed to be added. Mr. Vincent offered to host the December Board Meeting/Dinner at his home. Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr. made a motion to accept this location and Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

2017-2018 Alternative Services MOU - Mr. Hyman stated that Florence County School District Three (FCSD3) requested a formal agreement to serve expelled FCSD2 students in an alternative setting provided by FCSD3. Currently, FCSD3 is providing alternative services for three FCSD2 students. The proposed terms were listed in the agreement and the cost per student would be \$40 a day. FCSD2 will provide transportation from home to Lake City and then from Lake City to home. Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr. made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 Alternative Services MOU and Mrs. Mona Lisa Andrews seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Policy Updates - IHBA, IHCA, IKADD, IKADD-R, IKA-R, IKE, IKE-R, JFABD-R, JFABF, JH-R

- IHBA - Special Education/Programs for Student with Disabilities - Revised due to enacted legislation to provide an alternative means for adult special education students, not determined to be incapacitated, to delegate their right to make educational decisions to another adult.
- IHCA, IKE, IKE-R - Summer School Promotion and Retention of Students - Revised to incorporate the Read to Succeed mandates
- IKA-R, IKADD, IKADD-R, JH-R - Grading/Assessment Content and Credit Recovery, Student Absences and Excuses - Revised due to changes in the SCDE's UGP including a new framework for honors level courses, content and credit recovery options, and proficiency-based credit.
- JFABD-R - Admission of Homeless Students - Revised as required by the reauthorization of McKinney-Vento.
- JFABF - Students in Foster Care - SCSBA has suggested a model policy and incorporated required forms as exhibits to comply with the SCDE and statutory mandates for students in foster care.

Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston made a motion to approve Policy Updates - IHBA, IHCA, IKADD, IKADD-R, IKA-R, IKA-R, IKE, IKE-R, JFABD-R, JFABF, and JH-R. Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports and Items for Discussion

2016-2017 Audit (As of June 30, 2017) - Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr introduced the district auditor, Mr. Jack Holt of Holt & Holt. Mr. Holt presented the Board with the 2016-2017 audit. There were no findings requiring attention. Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr. thanked Mr. Holt for all his hard work on the audit. A copy of the 2016-2017 Audit is on file at the District Office and posted on the District's website.

2016-2017 Accountability Update - Mr. Legrande Richardson presented the Board with several highlights regarding Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School's 2017 Report Card. A copy of the 2017 South Carolina State Report Card for Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School is on file at the District Office.

Mr. Sterling Mosby presented the Board with highlights regarding Hannah-Pamplico High School's 2017 Report Card. A copy of the 2017 South Carolina State Report Card for Hannah-Pamplico High School is on file at the District Office.

2018-2019 School Calendar - Mr. Hyman, on behalf of the calendar committee, presented three proposed drafts for the 2018-2019 School Calendar. Faculty and staff were provided an opportunity to review and vote online on their preferred calendar. With this feedback, Mr. Hyman presented Draft A for first reading. He welcomed any feedback and suggestions from Board members.

Capital Update - Mr. Hyman provided a Capital Update to the Board. He stated that he has a quote to overhaul the tennis courts for \$136,500. The goal of the district is to commission all athletic lights by the end of the week. Mr. Hyman added that the HVAC project is now complete at the Vocational Center. In closing, he stated that a thermal roof scan was conducted at the high school. The scans revealed the high school gym roof and the gym hallway roof need to be replaced.

Online Testing Waiver - Mr. Vincent presented a SCDE Online Testing Waiver to the Board for approval. The waiver is requesting that third grade write on paper instead of type the SC READY writing part. Mrs. Angela P. Keith made a motion to approve the Online Testing Waiver and Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

At 9:10 p.m., Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, contractual, and the superintendent's evaluation. Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

In open session, the following actions were taken:

At 10:00 p.m., Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston made a motion to come out of Executive Session and Mrs. Angela P. Keith seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Vincent recommended that all District employees (excluding the Superintendent) receive a \$500 supplement in December, the date will be determined by administration, and direct deposits will be made. Mrs. Angela P. Keith made a motion to approve this recommendation and Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Vincent made a recommendation for the Board's legal counsel to execute a written settlement and release to resolve a pending legal matter consistent with the terms reviewed with the Board in Executive Session. Mrs. Mona Lisa Andrews made a motion to approve this recommendation and Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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Adjournment

At 10:05 p.m., Mrs. Angela P. Keith made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr.
Chairman

Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston
Secretary