

**REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. TWO
HANNAH-PAMPLICO HIGH SCHOOL
February 22, 2010
7:05 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Florence County School District No. Two was held in the Media Center at Hannah-Pamplico High School of Florence County School District No. Two on Monday, February 22, 2010.

Those present: **Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr.**
 Mrs. Mona Lisa M. Andrews
 Mr. Robert L. Carter
 Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins
 Mr. David Poston

Absent: **Mr. Lawrence S. Kennedy, Jr.**
 Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston

Call to Order

Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr., Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. by welcoming the visitors. Mr. David Poston served as secretary.

Recognition of Visitors

Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr., recognized seven 8th grade students at Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School as the **2009-2010 Junior Scholars**: Matthew Barwick, Micaela Gaster, Zachary Greenwood, Catherine Hyman, Kasey Pirt, Andrew Poston, and Sara Turner. Micaela was unable to attend. Mr. Calcutt informed the students that they were educated in the third smallest school district in South Carolina and many academic achievers have come out of this district. Mr. Sullivan also congratulated the students and informed them that this was one of two greatest accomplishments a student could be honored with during their educational tenure, the other great achievement was to be named a Palmetto Fellow during the senior year. These students had to score at least fifty (50) on one of the PSAT subtest or they had to be named a Duke Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP) Scholar in the seventh grade. A list of all the Junior Scholars (1987-88-2009-10) is on file in the Superintendent's office and on display at Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School.

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Robert L. Carter and seconded by Mr. David Poston to accept the January 25, 2010, minutes as written. The motion carried 5-0.

Communication to the Board

Mr. Charles Hyman gave a brief overview of the 2010-2011 Calendar. He reminded the Board that school districts by law cannot start school before the third Monday in August. He also reminded the Board of the correlation with Florence Five for the upcoming school year. At this time, Johnsonville plans to adopt the same instructional days as our district. A motion was made by Mr. David Poston and seconded by Mrs. Mona Lisa M. Andrews to approve the 2010-2011 Calendar. The motion carried 5-0. A copy of the 2010-2011 Calendar is on file in the Superintendent's office. A copy will also be placed on the district's website.

Mr. Sullivan presented the Board with the **Citizens' Meeting Update**. He gave them a sample copy of the announcement that appeared in the Morning News on January 31, 2010, and February 14, 2010. He gave a brief outline of the upcoming activities leading up to the day of the meeting and what will have to take place during the day of the citizens' meeting. He stated that by law the citizens cannot vote to raise the millage; however, based on the consumer price index (CPI), the citizens can affirm what the law allows to add to the millage. Last year, based on the district's attorney, we were unable to vote because we were waiting on the maintenance of local effort which came out on April 10, 2009. At that time, we missed out on approximately seven (7) mills. This year, we may be eligible for approximately one and a half (1½) mill or one (1) mill which is approximately \$28,000.

Mr. Sullivan presented as information to the Board the Early Childhood Center 2010-2011 Status. He stated the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has been "put on notice" by the federal government that some of the State's services may be disallowed and this could affect the funding of the Early Childhood Program. Mr. Sullivan stated this program had to be self-sufficient and at this time we do not have any funds for this program. It is a medicaid-funded program.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins and seconded by Mr. David Poston to approve the **Field Trip - Out-of-State - HPH Music Class "The Wizard of Oz" - Deborah Floyd**. The music class is scheduled to go on a one-day trip to Durham, North Carolina on May 1, 2010. They will see the play, "The Wicked" at the Durham Performing Arts Center. This show is sort of a prequel or "the true story" of the Wizard of Oz. The motion carried 5-0. A copy of this field trip request is on file in the Superintendent's office.

On recommendation of the Administration, a motion was made by Mrs. Mona Lisa M. Andrews and seconded by Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins to approve the Hannah-Pamplico High School **Senior Trip - Out-of-State/Overnight**. They are requesting an out-of-state field trip to Orlando, Florida from April 23-26, 2010 for the 2010 Grad Nite Tour at a cost of \$360 per student. This will be the sixteenth year this trip has been taken by the Senior class, along with, Mr. Mack Dixon and chaperones. Mr. H. M. Dixon provided the Board with a copy of the agenda, field trip request, and a copy of medical and parent's permission forms. Additional information will be provided to the Board prior to the April trip. Transportation is being provided by Lancaster Motor Coach Company, an approved company on the State Department's Motor Coach Association List. The motion carried 5-0. Copies of the field trip documents are on file in the Superintendent's office.

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A motion was made by Mr. David Poston and seconded by Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins to approve the **Fourth Grade Overnight Reading Field Trip (HPEM Gym)**. The fourth grade teachers: Ms. Lenease Brickers, Mrs. Stacie Kirby, Mrs. Sally Munn, and Mrs. Kitty Smith will chaperone this event. Mr. Glen Kirby, a member of the Florence County Sheriff's Department has volunteered to act as a Security Guard. The motion carried 5-0. A copy of the scheduled event is on file in the Superintendent's office.

Report of the Superintendent

Mr. Sullivan presented as information to the Board a **Finance Update**. He informed the Board that the District has been awarded the allocation of \$600,000 of the State's Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCBs) authority from the 60% pool. These construction funds will be used to add the two classrooms at the high school. Additional information will be sent to the district on the QSCBs.

Mr. Sullivan stated the tax structure/reform for funding education has to be changed. He told the Board to pay close attention to State Legislative news beginning in March. Mr. Sullivan distributed a copy of the district's cash flow sheet to the Board. He was happy to report to them how cash flow has increased tremendously and gave them an overview of how payroll, payroll taxes, retirement, and insurance affect the district's cash flow. He stated the October, November, and December cash flow was difficult, but with it now picking up he plans to look at some short-term investment with the district's CDs.

After presenting the Board with the **B. P. Barber - Bid Tabulation**, a motion was made by Mr. Robert L. Carter and seconded by Mrs. Mona Lisa M. Andrews to give Mr. Sullivan permission to sign the notice of award in which RWF Construction/LLC was awarded the bid at \$79,390 for the sewer system improvements project (Project #07625). Mr. Sullivan said the project would not be possible without the utility funds from the County. Mr. Sullivan told the Board that Mr. Ken Ard, Florence County Councilman, has assured him that the project has been introduced to the County Council and they will proceed to vote on it at their first meeting. Additional information will be presented to Board as the project progress. The motion carried 5-0. A copy of the bid tabulation and notice of award is on file in the Superintendent's office.

Old Business

A motion was made by Mr. David Poston and seconded by Mr. Robert L. Carter to accept 2nd Reading of **Policy GBEB - Staff Conduct**. The motion carried unanimously. A copy of the policy will be sent to the South Carolina School Boards Association to be codified and placed in Florence District Two's Board Manual.

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New Business

A motion was made by Mrs. Mona Lisa M. Andrews and seconded by Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins to approve the **Administrative Staff Recommendations** for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Sullivan commended the Administrative Staff for the “many hats” they continue to have to wear here in Florence County School District Two. The motion carried unanimously. A list of names of the Administrative Staff is on file in the Superintendent’s office.

The following documents were mailed to the Board on **February 5, 2010**, as information.

1. **Board Minutes - January 25, 2010 [Please Review]**
2. **Reminders for February 22, 2010, Board Meeting**
3. **SCSBA Convention Information (Andrews, Calcutt, Carter, Jenkins, & E. Poston)**
4. **Response Letter to Ms. Linda Perry**
5. **Hannah-Pamplico High - Certificate and Information on ACT and SAT Outstanding Performance Recognition**
6. **February 2010 - HPEM Activity Calendar**
7. **February 2010 - HPHS Activity Calendar**

Copies of these documents are available in the Superintendent’s office.

Adjournment

At 7:50 p.m., Mr. David Poston made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins. The motion carried 5-0.

In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-89 (d), as amended, the following have been notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting: Morning News, Florence County School District No. Two, Faculty, Staff, Parents, and Administrators of Florence County School District No. Two.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr.
Board Chairman

Mr. David Poston
Secretary