

**REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. TWO
DISTRICT OFFICE
March 21, 2016
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 of Florence County School District No. Two on Monday, March 21, 2016.

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

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.

Call to Order

Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. by welcoming visitors and staff. Mrs. Angela P. Keith served as secretary.

Recognition and Awards

Mr. Timothy Gibbs recognized the 2015-2016 Varsity Boys' Basketball Team as Region 7-A champions. Mr. Gibbs stated that it was also a pleasure to introduce the team as back-to-back region champions. Coach Solomon Williamson thanked the Board, Mr. Neal Vincent and Mr. Gibbs for their support. He stated that it has been a great year and that in the last three years the team has a record of 60-24, back-to-back region championships and two All-State participants. Mr. Williamson presented each team member a certificate. He stated that bigger and better things are in the year to come. Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr. thanked Coach Williamson for his efforts.

Mr. Legrande Richardson recognized Caleb Jackson as a South Carolina Junior Scholar and presented him with a certificate. Caleb and his family are invited to a reception at the Pee Dee Education Center honoring Junior Scholar on April 11.

Mr. Legrande Richardson recognized Katelynn Fennell as Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle Schools' 2015-2016 Spelling Bee Winner. She represented the district at the Pee Dee Spelling Bee. Mr. Richardson presented her with a certificate.

Consent Agenda Items

A motion was made by Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr. to accept Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Agenda, Approval of Board Minutes, Approval of Financial Reports, Approval of 2016-2017 Classified Recommendations, and Approval of Fieldtrip but to pull the Approval of the Personnel Sheet for discussion in Executive Session. Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation

None

Superintendent Update

Mr. Neal Vincent informed Board members that their South Carolina Ethics filings are due by March 31, 2016.

Next, he informed the Board that the District will host two 1:1 Technology Initiative Parent/Community meetings for parents of rising 6th - 12th graders. The meeting dates are Monday, April 4, 2016, and Thursday, April 21, 2016, in the Hannah-Pamplico High School Gymnasium starting at 7:00 pm. Mr. Vincent invited the Board to attend.

Mr. Vincent informed the Board that Hannah/Pamplico Elementary Middle School will host a 4 & 5-year-old Kindergarten Pre-Registration on Tuesday, April 12, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. in its media center. Further, a Montessori Orientation will be held the same day at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr. asked the selection process for Montessori students. Mr. Vincent stated that if a parent desires the Montessori program, he/she will need to complete an application and the selection process will be done by a lottery if necessary. He added that we will continue with traditional CDEP (Child Development Education Program) 4-K and 5-K classes. The deadline to apply for Montessori is April 15.

Action Items

Textbook Adoption - Mr. Charles Hyman presented the Board with the textbook selections made by the textbook committee for Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School and Hannah-Pamplico High School. Mr. Hyman asked the Board to approve the textbook adoptions. Mrs. Angela P. Keith made a motion to approve the textbook adoptions and Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports and Items for Discussion

Board of Trustees Election Update - Mr. Charles Hyman presented the Board with an update on behalf of the District Election Committee (DEC). He informed the Board that all four candidates were certified by Mr. David Alford, Director, Florence County Election Commission. Mr. Hyman stated that a training session for the tellers and registrars will be held on April 5 at the District

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Office and the election will be held on April 7. The election will be held at Hannah-Pamplico High School in the gym from 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

2016-2017 Budget - Mr. Neal Vincent presented the Board with a draft budget preparation schedule. He stated that the budget would be started after Spring Break. He added that he is currently working on updating the salary scales.

Further, Mr. Vincent stated that the South Carolina Department of Education unexpectedly awarded an additional \$100,000.00 in Title 1 funds for 2015-2016. The extra funds will be used to fund the 1:1 initiative to provide Chromebooks for grades third and fourth.

Classified Salary Scales - Mr. Neal Vincent presented the Board with proposed 2016-2017 Classified Salary Scales. He added that the Teacher Salary Scales are not in yet.

Executive Session

At 7:30 p.m., Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel. Mrs. Mona Lisa Andrews seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

In open session, the following action was taken:

At 8:01 p.m., Mrs. Angela P. Keith made a motion to come out of Executive Session and Mr. Bradford C. Poston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mrs. Angela P. Keith to accept the Approval of the Personnel sheet. Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-1.

Adjournment

At 8:15 p.m., Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Angela P. Keith. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr
Chairman

Mrs. Angela P. Keith
Secretary