

**REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. TWO
HANNAH-PAMPLICO ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL
May 23, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Florence County School District No. Two was held at Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School, Florence County School District No. Two on Monday, May 23, 2016.

Those present: **Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr.**
 Mrs. Angela P. Keith
 Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston
 Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr.
 Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins
 Mr. Bradford C. Poston
 Mr. Robert B. Singletary

Call to Order

Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, 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

2015-2016 Retirees - Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr., Mr. Vincent, and Mr. Legrande Richardson presented gifts on behalf of the Board and the administration to the following Retirees: Mrs. Rhetta Calcutt and Mrs. Mary Gainey. Retirees expressed kind words and thoughts about their tenure with the District.

A retirement reception was held at 6:00 p.m. in honor of the four retirees. Mrs. Rhetta Calcutt, Mrs. Mary Gainey, and Mrs. Linda Steagall are retiring from Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School. Mrs. Sandra Gibbs is retiring from Hannah-Pamplico High School. Mrs. Sandra Gibbs and Mrs. Linda Steagall were unable to attend the reception and meeting.

Varsity Baseball – Region/District VII Champs - Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr., Mr. Vincent, and Coach Hal Lambert, presented certificates to the 2015-2016 Varsity Baseball Team for being Region and District VII Champions.

Varsity Softball – District VI Champions - Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr., Mr. Vincent, and Coach Joey Irick presented certificates to the 2015-2016 Varsity Softball Team for being District VI Champions.

Consent Agenda Items

A motion was made by Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston to accept Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Agenda, Approval of Board Minutes, Approval of Financial Reports, Approval of Letter of Agreements, and Approval of 2016-2017 Budget Schedule but to pull the Approval of the Personnel Sheet for discussion in Executive Session. Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation

None

Superintendent Update

Mr. Vincent expressed to the Board that this was a very exciting time of the year with graduation on Friday. The high school is currently in the middle of processing grades and closing out the year for seniors. The closing procedures for underclassmen will begin soon. Mr. Vincent noted that the last day of school was changed to June 1, 2016 as approved earlier by the Board due to flooding. Next, he stated that athletics have closed out for the school year with summer practice beginning soon. Several sports will begin conditioning and practicing as allowed by the High School League. Mr. Vincent closed with stating that a summer school for grades eight-twelve will be provided this summer with transportation. Selected eighth graders will be attending summer school until the end of June and high school students will be attending until the end of July. Mr. Vincent noted that if we have enough seniors interested, we will have a small ceremony at the end of the summer.

Action Items

Internet Safety Policy - Mr. Charles Hyman presented the Board with an update on the District's Internet Safety Policy. He stated that current Board Policies that deal with technology resources and the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) are still in effect. He noted that the technology team is in the process of rewriting the AUP for students and staff.

Mr. Hyman specified that all Internet is being filtered by Lightspeed. Lightspeed filters all data coming in and out of our schools and offices so our children are kept safe. The firewall is monitored by SonicWall. Both products are on annual subscriptions and they are up-to-date. Mr. Hyman informed the Board that the District is monitoring all Internet access by students and staff and if any questionable searches are performed administration is alerted and school administrators take necessary action. Mr. Hyman concluded that he will bring back the final AUP for Elementary, Middle/High, and Staff in June for action.

Classified Salary Scale Revisions - Mr. Vincent presented the Board with revised 2016-2017 Classified Salary Schedules to include a Parenting Liaison and an Administrative Assistant for a District Director. Mr. Bradford C. Poston made a motion to accept the 2016-2017 Classified Salary Scale revisions and Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

2016-2017 Budget (First Reading) - Mr. Vincent presented the Board with the 2016-2017 Budget. Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr. made a motion to accept the first reading of the 2016-2017 Budget. Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing/Called Board Meeting for 2016-2017 Budget - June 14, 2016 - Mr. Vincent requested that the Board approve and schedule a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. and hold a Special Called Board Meeting following the hearing at 7:00 p.m. on June 14, 2016 for the second reading of the 2016-2017 Budget. Mr. Bradford C. Poston made a motion to approve the Public Hearing/Called Board Meeting. Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports and Items for Discussion

Online Testing Readiness Assessment - Mr. Hyman introduced Mr. Rob Cardelli, an Education and Government Consultant, who was contracted by the State Department of Education to assess the District's online testing readiness for Spring 2017. Mr. Cardelli presented the results of the readiness assessment and stated that the District was doing an excellent job in preparing for the required online testing.

Capital Update - Mr. Hyman presented the Board with a capital update. In December 2015, the Board approved \$273,980 for a submitted list of capital projects. As of May 23, 2016, the remaining balance is \$71,168.21. The installing of a district-wide camera security system will begin this summer. The budgeted amount for the security system is \$60,000 leaving a balance of about \$11,000.

Supplemental Scales - Mr. Vincent presented the Board with the 2016-2017 Supplemental Scales. He added that a psychologist supplement was added. The supplemental scales will be brought back to the June Board meeting for approval.

Policy Update - IKA Grading System Revision - Mr. Vincent present the first reading of Policy IKA stating that the District will follow the 10-point uniform grading policy as approved by the State Board of Education. This uniform grading scale and the system for calculating grade point averages (GPAs) and class rank will apply to all courses carrying Carnegie units, including units earned at the middle/junior high school level. This new grading system will be implemented in August of 2016.

Executive Session

At 8:36 p.m., Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel. Mr. Robert B. Singletary seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

In open session, the following action was taken:

At 9:35 p.m., Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston made a motion to come out of Executive Session and Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Mrs. Angela P. Keith made a motion to approve the Personnel Sheet. Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Bradford C. Poston to reject a counter offer made by Employee A. Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr. seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

At 9:38 p.m., Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr
Chairman

Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston
Secretary