

**REGULAR BOARD MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. TWO  
DISTRICT OFFICE  
November 17, 2014  
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, November 17, 2014.

**Those present:**

**Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr.  
Mrs. Angela P. Keith  
Mrs. Mona Lisa M. Andrews  
Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins  
Mr. Bradford C. Poston**

**Absent:**

**Mrs. Elleveen T. Poston  
Mr. Raleigh O. Ward, Jr.**

**Call to Order**

Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. by welcoming the visitors. Mrs. Angela P. Keith, served as secretary.

**Recognition of Visitors**

Mrs. Elizabeth Boyle presented to the Board updates on her meeting with Mr. Timothy Gibbs, Principal and Mr. Sterling Mosby, Assistant Principal of Hannah-Pamplico High School. She stated she was able to get answers to her questions in twenty (20) minutes on the Report Card for the high school. She said many parents are not able to read the report card and due to the past summer many parents were angry because of the silence and no communication. However, after taking the initiative and meeting with Mr. Gibbs, she was happy with their meeting. She stated many do not realize Mr. Gibbs' door is always open and parents need to go in and talk with Mr. Gibbs. Since she took the initiative to speak with him she will now encourage other parents to do the same. She said there is no conspiracy going on at the high school.

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Mrs. Angela P. Keith and seconded by Mrs. Mona Lisa M. Andrews to accept the October 27, 2014, minutes as written. The motion carried 5-0.

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**Communication to the Board**

Mr. Sullivan updated the Board on the **8% Bond Survey**. He stated approval of the Bond will take place after the audit is presented at the January 2015 Board Meeting. At this time, the majority of the funding will go towards technology and infrastructure. A discussion was given on common problems with maintenance/upkeep on Promethean boards and bulbs. At this time, Title I supplements the purchase of bulbs and day-to-day items. Mr. Sullivan stated it will take big money to purchase a wireless operation. Mr. Hyman pleaded with the Board concerning Florence Two needing a large amount of funding for a district-wide wireless system and sustainable upgrades to infrastructure. He said it is difficult trying to supplement with federal money especially with the district having computers running that are 10-15 years old. This past summer, the district was able to purchased 145 of the approximate 500 computers located throughout the district (cost ranges from \$900-\$1,000 per computer).

The following combined presentations were given by the Administrative Staff (Mr. Timothy Gibbs, Mr. Sterling Mosby, Mr. H. Legrande Richardson, Mrs. Debbie M. Carter , and Mrs. Angela Tanner) of Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School & Hannah-Pamplico High School - **ESEA Federal Accountability System: Presentations/Principals (Resolutions) - HPEM/HPH/2014 Report Card:**

*2013 versus 2014 ESEA Comparison - Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School* The presentation highlighted the following:

<b>Hannah-Pamplico Elementary/Middle School</b>	
Overall Weighted Points Total	76.1
Overall Grade Conversion	C
Points Total - Elementary Grades (3-5)	81.9
Points Total - Middle Grades (6-8)	70.6

A breakdown of the PASS Data was given for grades 3-8 for Writing, ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies. Mr. H. Legrande Richardson explained in detail how the eleven (11) subgroups were used in a matrix table, along with, seven (7) Annual Measurable Objectives to obtain the 81.9 Elementary Grade and 70.6 Middle Grade. Additional information was given as follows:

- Local Comparison Data (H-P, Latta, Johnsonville, J. C. Lynch, East Clarendon, and Lake City)
- 2013-2014 Considerations of Comparisons
  - Different Learner Standards (SCLS v CCSS)

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- Altered Test (PASS items that were common to CCSS)
- Adjusted Category Weight Distribution
- Adjusted AMO's (Elementary 2013 - 635 2014 - 640 & Middle 2013 - 628 & 2014 632)

The Board was also given a copy of the School ESEA/Federal Accountability showing the methodology of how the composite index scores above were calculated for each public school in South Carolina (The use of the matrix table helps with calculating the scores to determine how each school measured up with the overall state average).

*Understanding the Data - Hannah-Pamplico High School - Fall 2014.* The presentation highlighted the following:

- Performance Trends Over 3-Year Period (See Five Year Report Card Below)
- Absolute Ratings of High School with Students Like Ours
- End of Course Tests for 2012
- Graduate Rate (71.6% for 2014)
- Hannah-Pamplico High School - F (58.2)
- Areas of Deficiency
  - All Students
  - Female Students (Overall)
  - White Students (Overall)
  - Subsidized Meals
- Matrix
- Where Do We Go From Here?
  - We will continue to promote excellence in the school and prepare our students for the global society they must thrive in.
- Review 2013-2014
  - Excellence is K.N.O.W. Accident
  - PLC - Professional Learning Community
  - Implementation of the HPH Data Team
  - Implementation of Character Education (Word of the Week, Phrase of the Week)
  - 13 Writing Grant
  - Year of Common Core Training for the Entire Staff
- Current Strategies 2014-2015
  - Excellence Is K.N.O.W. Accident (Announced Daily)
  - PLC In Full Force
  - Assistant Principal (English)
  - USA Test Prep (Labs Still Needed)
  - Data Room Completed
  - Character Education (Word of the Week, Phrase of the Week)

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- Articulation agreements with colleges and universities to strengthen our CATE program (Currently: Accounting, Auto Tech, and Electricity)
- Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)
- Personalized Instruction
  - Data Driven (Assessment)
  - Relevence
  - Rigor
- HPH Goals
  - 100% Graduation Rate
  - 0% Dropout Rate (2011)
  - 100% EOC Passage Rate
  - Post-Secondary Education
    - 100% Application Completion
    - 100% Acceptance Rate
- Instructional Hurdles
  - Instructional adjustments to better serve our African American Students at HPH
  - Instructional adjustments to better serve our males at HPH
  - Computer Labs (Online Classes and USA Test Prep)
  - Classroom technology (Smart Boards in ELA classes)
- What Can Florence Two Do for HPHS?
  - Support us in our efforts to make every child successful
  - Help us to fund new programs and professional development
    - Book Studies
    - Workshops
    - Training

**Five Year Report Card Summary (2010-2014)** for the District is as follows:

<b>ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (Grades 3-5)</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>ABSOLUTE RATING</b>	<b>GROW TH RATING</b>	<b>AYP STATUS</b>
2014	Average	Average	ESEA Grade C
2013	Average	Average	
2012	Average	Good	ESEA Grade C
2011	Average	Good	Not Met
2010	Average	Average	Not Met

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<b>MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>ABSOLUTE RATING</b>	<b>GROW TH RATING</b>	<b>AYP STATUS</b>
2014	Average	Average	ESEA Grade C
2013	Average	Good	
2012	Average	Average	ESEA Grade C
2011	Below Average	Below Average	Not Met
2010	Average	Average	Not Met

<b>HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>ABSOLUTE RATING</b>	<b>GROW TH RATING</b>	<b>AYP STATUS</b>
2014	Average	At Risk	ESEA Grade F*
2013	Good	At Risk	ESEA Grade B
2012	Excellent	Excellent	ESEA Grade D
2011	Average	Good	Not Met
2010	Average	At-Risk	Not Met

*\*An appeal on the Grade F has been sent to the State Department of Education asking that a revision be made based on eight (8) students who did not take the HSAP, but was included in the tabulation of this grade.*

*(See the 08/27/12, 11/27/12, 09/23/13 Board Minutes)*

Mr. Sullivan reminded the Board of the upcoming **Delegate Assembly** on December 5-7, 2014, with **Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr.**, serving as the delegate for Florence County School District Two. A copy of the agenda was given to the Board. Mr. Sullivan asked each member if they were interested in voting on any of the resolutions outlined on pages 19-39 of the SCSBA 2014 Delegate Assembly Handbook.. At this time, no action was taken by the Board, but if there were any resolutions they had questions about or wanted to vote on, they could contact Mr. Calcutt with their information.

Mr. Sullivan also gave the Board an update on the **SCASA - 2015 Legislative Platform Position Statement** concerning the South Carolina Jobs, Education, and Tax Act of 2015 (SCJET). Mr. Sullivan explained this would allow an equalization of wealth statewide with a uniform tax base for all school counties and school districts. This act is necessary to create a funding revenue system that is stable, equitable and adequate to fund a modern 21<sup>st</sup> century foundation program and to prepare students to meet the achievement expectations set by the state.

A motion was made by Mrs. Angela P. Keith and seconded by Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins to allow Mr. Mack Dixon and the 2015 Senior Class to begin preliminary projects to assist in funding the **2015 Senior Trip**. The trip is scheduled for April 16-19, 2015. At present, there are forty-four (44) students who have made their deposits to go on this trip. A rooming list will be provided to the Board by April 1, 2015. This is the twenty-first year this trip has been taken by the Senior Class.

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**Report of the Superintendent**

Mr. Sullivan presented the Board with the **Finance Report** as follows:

Year-to-Date Revenue as of 10/31/2014 .....	\$2,108,630.09
Year-to-Date Expenditure of 10/31/2014 .....	\$2,412,056.69

As of 10/31/2014, the cashflow balance is \$2,526,200.47.

Mr. Sullivan reminded the Board of the upcoming Board meeting to be held on **December 8, 2014, at the Railway in Lake City, South Carolina** at 6:15 p.m. A list of the menu items was due by November 17, 2014.

**Old Business**

A motion was made by Mrs. Mona Lisa M. Andrews and seconded by Mr. Johnny R. Jenkins to accept 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of the following policies:

1. **ADC** - Tobacco-Free School District
2. **BEDA** - Board Meeting Notification
3. **BEDB**-Board Agenda
4. **EFE**-Competitive Food Sales/Vending Machines
5. **GBED** - Tobacco-Free Schools/Staff
6. **IHBH** - Charter Schools
7. **IHD** - Adult/Community Education
8. **IKF-R** Graduation Requirements
9. **JH-R** - Student Absences and Excuses
10. **JRA** - Student Records
11. **KFA** - Open Community Use of School Recreational

The motion carried 4-1. These policies will be sent to the South Carolina School Boards Association to be codified and sent back to go in the policy manual. Copies of these policies are on file in the Superintendent's office.

At this time, there were no **ACT 155 - Diploma Request**.

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**New Business**

Mr. Sullivan informed the Board that the Region Football Team Champion will be recognized at a Board Meeting once the trophies are ready.

The following documents were given to the Board on **November 12, 2014**, as information.

- 1. Board Minutes - October 27, 2014 [Please Review]**
- 2. 2015 SCSBA Annual Convention - Agenda at a Glance**
- 3. Pee Dee Regional Art Competition - January 15 - March 29, 2015**
- 4. November 2014 Calendar of Events - HPEM**
- 5. November 2014 Calendar of Events - HPHS**

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

**Adjournment**

At 8:29 p.m., Mr. Bradford C. 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 8:29 p.m.

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Mr. Thadis D. Calcutt, Jr.  
Vice-Chairman

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Mrs. Angela P. Keith  
Secretary