

**Bamberg School District One**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees**  
**Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle School**  
**May 20, 2019**  
**6:30 p.m.**

**Members present:** Board Chair Janeth Walker, Vice Chair Gwendolyn Dianne Bamberg, Secretary Tony E. Duncan, Trustee Julia “Kim” Berry, and Trustee John L. Hiers.

**Absent:** None

1. **Call meeting to order:** Board Chair Janeth Walker called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence.
  
2. **Notice to Media:** In accordance with the S. C. Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80(E), the following have been notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting:  

**The Times and Democrat**  
**The Advertizer-Herald**
  
3. **Approval of Agenda**  
**Trustee John Hiers moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to approve the agenda as presented.** The motion passed 5-0.
  
4. **Approval of Minutes**  
**Trustee Kim Berry moved and Trustee Gwendolyn Bamberg seconded to approve the April 22, 2019, minutes with an amendment (Page 1 – exchange number 5 with number 6 – the “Election of Officers” took place before the “School Reports”).** The motion passed 5-0.
  
5. **Election of Officers for 2019-2020**  
Assistant Superintendent Robbie Kearsse presided during the election of Board Chair, and Board Chair Janeth Walker presided during the election of Board Vice Chair and Secretary for the fiscal year of May 2019 through April 2020.  
  
**Trustee Kim Berry moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to elect Trustee Janeth Walker as Board Chair.** The motion passed 5-0.  
  
**Trustee Tony Duncan moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to elect Trustee Gwendolyn Bamberg as Board Vice Chair.** The motion passed 5-0.  
  
**Vice Chair Gwendolyn Bamberg moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to elect Trustee Tony Duncan as Board Secretary.** The motion passed 5-0.

6. **School Reports: Stacey Walter, Denise Miller, Dennis Ulmer**

Handouts: School Reports (Reviewed by Principals):

- Richard Carroll Elementary School – Principal Stacey Walter
- Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle School – Principal Denise Miller
- Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School – Principal Dennis Ulmer

7. **Student/Staff Recognition Superintendent's Report**

In the absence of Superintendent Schwarting, Assistant Superintendent Robbie Kearse noted the following:

a. **Overnight Field Trip Requests**

Trustee John Hiers **moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to approve the overnight lodging/out-of-state field trip request for Mrs. Bridget Kinard, Student Council advisor, to take a student to attend the National Student Council conference in McDonald, Pennsylvania, on June 23-27, 2019. The motion passed 5-0.**

b. Trustee Tony Duncan **moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to approve the overnight lodging/out-of-state field trip request for the CATE Instructor, Mrs. Kathy Hunt, and JROTC Instructors, Major John McDonald and Sgt. Christopher Smith, to take students to Washington, DC, to tour the Nation's Capital on April 12-15, 2020. The motion passed 5-0.**

c. Trustee Kim Berry **moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to approve the request to change previous Board approved date of the FFA camp field trip from June 17-21, 2019, to July 29, through August 2, 2019, as requested by Ms. Victoria Willis, agriculture teacher. The motion passed 5-0.**

Also, Assistant Superintendent Robbie Kearse noted the following:

- Superintendent Schwarting received a letter from SCSBA Policy and Legal Services stating that the Board of Trustees' meeting minutes from July 2018 through January 2019, were executed well and complied with the applicable laws. [Board Packet Enclosure]
- SCSBA submitted a corrected agenda for the School Law Conference which is scheduled for August 24-25, 2019. [Board Packet Enclosure]

8. **Monthly Financial Report**

**Board Packet Enclosure:** Financial Report for April 2019

Finance Director Devon Furr reviewed the financial report for April 2019, and noted that a budget work session will be scheduled as soon as Superintendent Schwarting returns to the office. The budget must be approved by June 30, 2019.

**Trustee Tony Duncan moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to accept the April 2019, Financial Report as presented. The motion passed 5-0.**

9. **Visitors' Comments**

No visitors signed to give comments; therefore, no comments were given.

10. **Executive Session**

Board Chair Janeth Walker called for a **motion to enter Executive Session**. Trustee Tony Duncan **moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to enter the Executive Session**. The motion carried (5-0).

The purpose for entering executive session was to discuss:

- a. Personnel Recommendation for Hires
- b. Personnel Recommendation for Resignations
- c. Student Transfer Requests

**Open session:** Trustee Tony Duncan **moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded for the Board to come out of Executive Session and return to the regular session of the meeting**. The motion passed 5-0.

11. **Action on Executive Session Items**

Trustee John Hiers **moved and Trustee Gwendolyn Bamberg seconded to accept Agenda Item #10 (a) Personnel Recommendation for Hires for person #1 and to accept Agenda Item #10 (b) Personnel Recommendation for Resignations for persons #1, #2, and #3, and to approve Agenda Item #10 (c) Student Transfer Requests** for students #1 and #2 as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

12. **Adjourn**

Trustee Kim Berry moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes approved:

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Janeth Walker, Board Chair

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Tony E. Duncan, Secretary