

Bamberg School District One
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School
October 21, 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 Advertiser-Herald

3. **Approval of Agenda**
Trustee Tony Duncan moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to approve the agenda as written. The motion passed 5-0.

4. **Approval of Minutes**
Trustee John Hiers moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to approve the September 16, 2019, minutes as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

5. **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

6. **Student/Staff Recognition Superintendent’s Report**
Superintendent Schwarting noted the following:
 - a) **Request for Out-of-State/Over Night Trips**
Following a review of Out-of-State/Over Night trip request from Kathy Hunt/Sgt. Christopher Smith and Victoria Willis, Trustee John Hiers moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to approve the CATE/JROTC trip to Carowinds pending the administration receiving a corrected date of the trip. Also, to approve the FFA trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on November 7-10, 2019, pending the administration receiving a revised request indicating that there will be no students driving. The motion passed 5-0. [Board Packet Enclosure]

b) **Test Scores [Very Good Scores - Board Packet Enclosure]**

SAT Scores	Test Takers	12th Graders	Percent Tested	ERW Score	Math Score	Total Score
	51	92	55.4	502	500	1002

ACT Scores	Total Tested		English		Math		Reading		Science		Composite	
Graduation Yr.	Dist.	Year	Dist	Year	Dist.	Year	Dist.	Year	Dist.	Year	Dist.	State
2018	106	53,743	14.3	17.3	16.8	18.2	16.0	18.6	17.1	18.5	16.2	18.3
2019	65	36,430	16.1	18.0	18.4	18.7	17.6	19.4	17.8	18.9	17.6	18.8

Advanced Placement - 2019	#. Students	# Exams	# 3 to 5 Scores	# of 3 to 5 Scores
	10	10	9	90%

- Current Student Enrollment: 1,266 [Board Packet Enclosure]
- According to “Parliamentary Pointers” from Dr. Tiffany Richardson at SCSBA, the District’s board secretary must sign the document acknowledging that the minutes recorded are true and accurate. No one else must sign the minutes. Board minutes should contain all motions made and only brief descriptions of non-action items. Currently, these two “pointers” are not being observed fully. Nevertheless, until further notified by the Board, the minutes will remain sort of in the “middle”. [Board Packet Enclosure]
- The district is not required to make any revisions to the 2019-2020 District Strategic and School Renewal Plans. All requirements have been met. [Board Packet Enclosure]
- Changes have been made by DHEC to the South Carolina Immunization Requirements for children for the 2019-2020 school year. A valid South Carolina Certificate of Immunization for all enrolled children will be required. Students may be exempt from these immunization requirements for the following reasons: Medical Exemption, Religious Exemption, and Special Exemptions. [Board Packet Enclosure]
- Stacey Martin and the Lyndhurst STEM Club emailed Chris Coffey, Instructional Technology Coach, regarding his Internet safety page. She noted that the link will be helpful for her students and parents at their school district in making sure their students are being safe when they are texting. [Board Packet Enclosure]
- The Board requested that the teachers be asked which day they prefer as a make-up day. It could be Friday, December 20, 2019 (before the Christmas holidays) or a Saturday.
- All staff will be required to watch a 25-minute webinar on cultural diversity in order to get them to understand what should or should not be said.

7. **Second Reading – Updated Policy:**

a) Policy IKA-R – Grading/Assessment Systems

Trustee John Hiers moved and Trustee Tony Duncan seconded to accept updated policy IKA-R – Grading/Assessment Systems for second reading as presented and with stipulations that the guidance department do close monitoring on students who are taking dual credit courses. The motion passed 5-0.

8. **Monthly Financial Report**

Finance Director Devon Furr presented the Financial Report for September 2019, for review. Ms. Furr noted that the district's audit has been completed but the results have not been returned. Explanation was given to the Board regarding accounts on pages 5 of 8, 1 of 37, 6 of 37, 16 of 37, and 24 of 37. [Board Packet Enclosure]

Trustee Kim Berry moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to accept the September 2019, Financial Report as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

9. **Visitors' Comments**

Ken Ahlin noted that he was wondering if there was any update on consolidation legal issues? Also, he has been hearing about active shooting drills but not anything about fire drills – what is the frequency of the drills – are the doors fixed for mechanically locking?

Principal Denny Ulmer noted that the schools are required to conduct Fire Drills monthly, Active Shooter/Intruder Drills once per semester and Severe Weather/Earthquake Drills one per semester, and the doors are locked once a person walks in or out.

Board Chair Walker noted that there is no information on consolidation at this time; however, the Board will receive a briefing during Executive Session.

10. **Executive Session**

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

The purpose for entering executive session was to discuss:

- a. Superintendent's Evaluation
- b. Consolidation: Legal Advice
- c. Personnel: Legal Advice

Open session: Trustee Tony Duncan **moved and Vice Chair Gwendolyn Bamberg 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**

Board Chair Walker noted that there was no action needed on Agenda Item #10 (a) Superintendent's Evaluation, Agenda Item #10 (b) Consolidation: Legal Advice and Agenda Item #10 (c) Personnel: Legal Advice.

12. **Adjourn**

Trustee John Hiers moved and Vice Chair Gwendolyn Bamberg seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Minutes approved:

Janeth Walker, Board Chair

Tony E. Duncan, Secretary