

Bamberg School District One
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Richard Carroll Elementary School
June 24, 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 John Hiers moved and Trustee Tony Duncan seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 5-0.
4. **Approval of Minutes**
Trustee Tony Duncan moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to approve the May 20, 2019, and June 10, 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. **Revised Policy: Expense Authorization/Reimbursement – DKC-R**
Superintendent Schwarting noted that changes were made to meal allowances in Policy DKC-R Expense Authorization/Reimbursement due to recent changes in the state’s meal allowance. Noted was that these figures will always be changing figures.
Also noted was:
 - The District’s accreditation Classification from the State Department of Education for the 2018-19 School Year results are as follows:
 - Cope Area Career Center – All Clear; District Operations – All Clear; Bamberg-Ehrhardt High – All Clear; Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle – All Clear; and Richard Carroll Elementary – All Clear. However, a teacher at Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle and a teacher at Bamberg-Ehrhardt High are currently in Project CREATE which means they are working toward certification in Special Education. [Board Packet Enclosure]

- The results of the District's Teacher Survey Responses from the State Department of Education for the 2018-2019 School Year indicates the following questions will be on the District's Report Card when it comes out (72 items). [Board Packet Enclosure]
 - #27 – I am satisfied with the learning environment in my school.
 - #41 – I feel safe at my school before and after school hours.
 - #42 – I feel safe at my school during the school day.
 - #47 – I am satisfied with the social and physical environment at my school.
 - #58 – I am satisfied with home and school relations.
- Student Enrollment as of June 1, 2019: 1,285; Richard Carroll Elementary School – 715; Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle School – 200; and Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School – 370. [Board Packet Enclosure]
- SCSBA Training Hours for Board members for July 1, 2018 through May 23, 2019, are as follows: Vice Chair Gwendolyn Bamberg – 0; Trustee Kim Berry – 0; Trustee Tony Duncan – 21; Trustee John Hiers – 14; Board Chair Janeth Walker – 33; and former Board Member Michael Wallace – 28. [Board Packet Enclosure]
- FYI: "Getting Students In School, On Time, Every Day" article. [Board Packet Enclosure]

7. **Federal Programs Report – Phyllis Overstreet**

Phyllis Overstreet, Federal Programs Coordinator, reported the following:

Title I-Preliminary Funding Allocation: \$541,481.63 (\$4,958.61 reduction from last year). The school to be served is Richard Carroll Elementary. Activities to be funded are teachers for class size reduction efforts, fund six class size reduction teachers across grades K-5, online learning programs license renewals, and classroom instructional supplies, as funds permit.

Title II-Teacher Quality Allocation: \$54,697.29 (\$1,257.04 reduction from last year): Funds will support teacher professional development activities.

Title III-ESOL Allocation: \$1,262.00 (Based on FY19 allocation). Funds will be used for teacher professional development to support English Learner students in the district.

Title IV-Student Support and Academic Enrichment Allocation: \$40,732.97 (Based on FY19 allocation – anticipated in the Fall). A new needs assessment will be required for the funds this year; the main uses of the funds are: (1) provide all students with access to a well-rounded education; (2) Improve school conditions for student learning; and (3) Improve the use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students.

Title VI-Rural Education Achievement Program: \$25,840.00 (Based on FY19 allocation). Funds are used to support instructional supplies, staff development, and technology.

Perkins V- projected: \$19,864.00. Funds are used at the high school for Career and Technical Education for professional development, upgrade program equipment, and to upgrade career and technology classrooms.

Trustee Tony Duncan moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to authorize Superintendent Phyllis Schwarting to serve as the District's authorized representative to submit all federal projects to the State Department of Education for 2019-2020. The motion passed 5-0.

8. **First Reading – Updated Policies:**

Superintendent Schwarting reviewed the following updated (proper verbiage) Board Policies for First Reading and noted that they will be presented again at the next Board meeting: [Board Packet Enclosures]

- a) Policy ADC– Tobacco Free School District
- b) Policy GBED – Tobacco Free Workplace
- c) Policy JICG – Tobacco Use By Students

Trustee John Hiers moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to approve for first reading and updated Policy ADC – Tobacco Free School District; Policy GBED – Tobacco Free Workplace; and Policy JICG – Tobacco Use By Students as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

9. **FY 2019-2020 Budget [Final Reading]**

Finance Director Devon Furr noted that a public session on the 2019-2020 Budget was held at 5:30 p.m. on June 24, 2019, at Richard Carroll Elementary School for second reading. Also, Mrs. Furr noted that the Budget presented is a balanced budget of \$16,182,791.76 with no tax increase. The Budget included a 4% increase for all district employees. [Board Packet Enclosure]

Trustee Tony Duncan moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to approve for final reading the 2019-2020 Balanced Budget of \$16,182,791.76 as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

10. **Monthly Financial Report**

Board Packet Enclosures: Financial Report for May 2019; and a current athletic supplement scale, previous supplement scale and the supplement scale that was presented by a coach (For Review).

Mrs. Furr noted that the auditors will begin their preliminary auditing on July 9, 2019 and the final auditing will be in September 2019.

Trustee John Hiers moved and Vice Chair Gwendolyn Bamberg seconded to accept the May 2019, Financial Report as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

11. **Visitors' Comments**

Ken Ahlin inquired about the status of the mold issue at Richard Carroll Elementary School; the District's Budget being online or could he have a copy of it; and what will the District do when the State doesn't come through with a mandate? Superintendent Schwarting responded by stating that the mold and mildew conditions are completely cleared; the budget will be online; and the District has to find the money when the State does not come through with a mandate.

12. **Executive Session**

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

The purpose for entering executive session was to discuss:

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

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

13. **Action on Executive Session Items**

Trustee Kim Berry moved and Trustee Tony Duncan seconded to approve Agenda Item #12 (a) Student Transfer Requests for persons #1, #2, #3, #4, and #5 and to approve Agenda Item #12 (b) Personnel Recommendation for Hires for persons #1, #2, #3, #4, and Personnel Recommendation for Resignation for #5, and to approve Agenda Item #12 (c) Personnel Recommendation for Termination for personnel #1 as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

14. **Adjourn**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Minutes approved:

Janeth Walker, Board Chair

Tony E. Duncan, Secretary