Bamberg School District One
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle School
October 15, 2018
6:30 p.m.

Members present: Board Chair Christopher “Chris” Wallace, Vice Chair Janeth Walker, Secretary Tony E. Duncan, Trustee Julia “Kim” Berry and Trustee John L. Hiers.

Absent: None

1. Call meeting to order: Board Chair Chris Wallace called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence with special thoughts and prayers for the family of Harper Bunch, former graduate of Bamberg School District One, who was killed in a car accident on Friday, October 12, 2018.

2. Notice to Media: In accordance with the S. C. Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, Section, 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 Tony Duncan moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to approve the agenda as written. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Approval of Minutes
Vice Chair Janeth Walker moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to approve the Minutes of September 24, 2018, as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

5. School Reports: Stacey Walter, Denise Miller, and Dennis Ulmer
Hand-outs: School Reports (Reviewed by Principals)
   • Richard Carroll Elementary School – Principal Stacey Walter
   • Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle School – Principal Denise Miller
   • Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School –Principal Denny Ulmer

6. Student/Staff Recognitions and Superintendent’s Report
Superintendent Schwarting reported that the district missed three days from school due to Hurricanes Florence (2 days) and Michael (1 day). Therefore, makeup days have been scheduled and submitted to the State Department for June 6, 7, and 10 – assuming there are no worse weather days. The days submitted can be exchanged with notification made to the State Department.

7. Locally Approved Courses
Trustee John Hiers moved and Trustee Tony Duncan seconded to approve the request for Computer Courses in grades K through 6th at Richard Carroll Elementary School and Math Ready, Career Planning and Development-Virtual, Work Experience, Coding, and Strategies for Success (Virtual) courses at Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School. The motion passed 5-0. [Board Packet Enclosure]
8. **Policies: Second Reading:**

9. **Policies: Second Reading: Policy GCC/GCD – Professional Staff Leaves and Absences**
Policy GCC/GCD applies to all certified and noncertified teachers, certified media specialists, certified guidance counselors, and career specialists who earn, but do not use, sick and annual leave in excess of 90 days (no administrators, school psychologists, teacher aides or custodians). The payment for each sick and annual leave day not used above the 90 day will be at the rate of substitute pay.

Trustee Tony Duncan **moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to approve for second reading** (agenda items #8) Policies AC – Nondiscrimination /Equal Opportunity, EF-R – Food Services, GBA – Open Hiring/Equal Opportunity Employment and Affirmative Action, GCE – Professional Staff Recruitment, GCEC – Posting and Advertising of Professional Vacancies, GCF – Professional Staff Hiring, GCO – Evaluation of Professional Staff, GDF – Support Staff Hiring, IMG – Service Animals, and IMG-R – Service Animals Administrative Rule. Also, to include for second reading Policy GCC/GCD – Professional Staff Leaves and Absences **as presented**. The motion passed 5-0. [Board Packet Enclosures]

Vice Chair Janeth Walker **moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to accept policies IKF – Graduation Requirements, IKF-R – Graduation Requirements Administrative Rule, and JLDBB-R Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention as reviewed and presented for first reading by Superintendent Schwarting.** Motion passed 5-0. [Board Packet Enclosures]

11. **Monthly Financial Report**
Finance Director Devon Furr reviewed the Financial Report for September 2018. She noted that the status of the auditing process is unknown at this time due to her being out of the office (death of father). Also, Mrs. Furr noted that in response to a question regarding the accounts of Technology Software Supplies and Technology Equipment on pages 8 of 9 that ample funds are in the district office; nevertheless, the expenses go out to different places in order to meet the Erate requirements. [Board Packet Enclosure]

12. **Visitors’ Comments**
No visitors signed to give comments; therefore, no comments were given.
13. **Executive Session**

Board Chair Chris Wallace called for a motion to enter Executive Session. Trustee John Hiers moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to enter Executive Session. The motion carried 5-0.

The purpose for entering executive session was to discuss:

a. Student Transfer Requests
b. Employment Recommendation
c. Superintendent’s Evaluation

**Open session:**

Trustee Tony Duncan moved and Vice Chair Janeth Walker seconded for the Board to come out of Executive Session and return to the regular session of the meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

14. **Action on Executive Session Items**

Vice Chair Janeth Walker moved and Trustee Kim Berry seconded to accept the student transfer requests for students #1 and #2 in regards to **Agenda Item 13 (a)**; to accept the employment recommendation for the person listed under **Agenda Item 13 (b)**; and noted that there was no action taken on the Superintendent’s Evaluation under **Agenda Item 13 (c)** as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

15. **Adjourn**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Minutes approved:

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Christopher Wallace, Board Chair

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Tony E. Duncan, Secretary