

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Denmark-Olar Board Room
Bamberg County, South Carolina
July 9, 2018 - 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Larry Bias, Chairman
Blossom Thompson, Vice Chairman (*participated by phone*)
Loretta P. Goodman, Secretary
Tonie Holman
Beverly Bonaparte

Also Present: Thelma Sojourner, Superintendent

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bias called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. In accordance with the SC Code of Laws, 1976, section 30-480(e) as amended, the following had been notified of the time, date, place and agenda of the meeting: WIIZ Radio Station, Barnwell; *The Advertiser-Herald*, Bamberg; and *The Times and Democrat*, Orangeburg.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call was conducted with attendance as recorded above.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was observed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The meeting agenda was unanimously approved as written without objection.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the special called meeting (public 2018-2019 FY budget hearing) held June 11, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. were unanimously approved as written and signed by all board members.

The minutes of the regular meeting held June 11, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. were unanimously approved as written and signed by all board members.

STUDENT SERVICES

No presentations or information provided.

PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Sojourner presented to Mrs. Bonaparte a certificate and pin for having reached Level Three in the SC School Board Association Boardmanship Institute for training.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one signed to address the board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dr. Sojourner stated that she and Mr. Anderson had met with a Sprint representative recently and had received a site agreement for construction of a communications tower at the old district office site and that the agreement had been sent to the district's attorney for review. Recommendations had been received from the attorney and sent to Sprint for their review of the revisions.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business for discussion.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Bias moved that the board meeting schedule be changed as follows:

- First Monday in August (August 6)

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- First Tuesday in September (September 4)
- First Monday in October (October 1)

The meetings will be held at 5:00 p.m. The board will return to its regular meeting schedule on Monday, November 12. The motion passed unanimously without objection.

SECTION 1 - FINANCE

- **Finance Report**
Mr. Anderson presented the monthly finance report which was received as information.
- **Proposed \$38 Million General Obligation Bond Resolution**
Mr. Bias moved that the board adopt the proposed \$38 million dollar general obligation bond resolution and authorize the chairman to execute the resolution on behalf of the board. There was no objection and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Proposed Not Exceeding \$1 Million SCAGO General Obligation Bond Resolution**
Mrs. Goodman moved that the board adopt the proposed not exceeding \$1 million SCAGO general obligation bond resolution and authorize the chairman to execute the resolution on behalf of the board.

SECTION 2 - CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Dr. Johnson stated that the summer school program for special education ended July 9 and the program for the remaining students would conclude on July 16. The report was received as information.

SECTION 3 - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

- **Attorney Fees**
Mr. Bias stated that some concerns had been expressed regarding the attorney invoice that would be more appropriately addressed in Executive Session prior to taking action. Action on the invoice was tabled.

Upon return from Executive Session, Mrs. Goodman moved to pay the attorney invoice of \$6,735.07 for June 2018. Bishop Holman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- **Legislative Update**
Dr. Sojourner reported that the legislation was not in session and provided no new information. The report was received as information.
- **Second Reading of Policies-**
 - **Policy IKA-R - Grading Assessment Systems**
 - **Policy IKFC/IKFC-R - Employability Credential**
 - **Policy IKADD/IKADD-R - Content and Credit Recovery**Mrs. Goodman moved that second reading approval of the above policies be granted. Bishop Holman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

SECTION 4 - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Sojourner presented the following:

-Request to revise the 2018-2019 school year calendar to reflect the following changes:

Continue the summer hours schedule through August 17. The district will operate Monday-Thursday, August 13-16, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will be closed on Friday, August 17. The staff development day listed for August 17 will be moved to September 25.

-Request to move the graduation date from May 31 to the last student day, June 4.

Mrs. Goodman moved that the 2018-2019 school year calendar be modified as discussed. Bishop Holman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

-Presented to the board gifts from the Jr/Sr prom

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- Informed the board that two high school teachers, Mrs. Deon Branch and Ms. Jennifer Sanders, had been nominated for Teachers of the Year by the SC Academy of Science
- The high school will change to four by four block schedule for the 2018-2019 school year and will operate from 8:05 a.m. to 3:15 p.m., with no effect on bus schedules.
- The honors English courses would no longer be offered at the middle school but would be offered at the high school where the students would receive credit for the courses.
- Mr. Anderson was looking for a mini bus and a full-size bus for student activities travel. The report was received as information.

SECTION 5 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Goodman moved that the board enter Executive Session to discuss the following:

- Employment/Personnel Recommendations/Matters
- Student Personnel Matters
- Contractual Matters
- Legal Matters/Counsel

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bonaparte and unanimously approved.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The board voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

- **Employment/Personnel Recommendations/Matters**

Mrs. Goodman moved that the employment of NI as an instructional aide be approved. Mrs. Bonaparte seconded the motion which passed by majority vote. (Vote: In favor of the motion-Goodman, Bonaparte, Bias, Holman; Abstained-Thompson)

Mrs. Goodman moved that the employment recommendations/resignations presented by the superintendent be approved. Bishop Holman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- **Student Personnel Matters**

Mrs. Goodman moved that the requests for the release of students be granted. (Initials BVH, TBH, SC, LW, MW, CW, EW, RT, AEA, JEH) The motion was seconded by Mrs. Bonaparte and passed unanimously.

- **Contractual Matters**

No action was taken.

- **Legal Matters/Counsel**

No action was taken

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned without objection at 6:26 p.m.

Submitted by Loretta P. Goodman

Beverly P. Bonaparte

Jerry Bias

Approved:

Tom Holman

BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM
JULY 9, 2018
5:00 P.M.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM *(Action)*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(Action)*

- Special Called Meeting Held June 11, 2018 - 4:30 p.m.
- Regular Meeting Held June 11, 2018 - 5:00 p.m.

STUDENT SERVICES

PRESENTATIONS *(Action if Needed)*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS *(Action if Needed)*

NEW BUSINESS *(Action if Needed)*

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT *(Action if Needed)*

SECTION 1 - FINANCE *(Action if Needed)*

- Finance Report Rodney Anderson
- Proposed \$38 Million General Obligation Bond Resolution
- Proposed Not Exceeding \$1 Million SCAGO General Obligation Bond Resolution

SECTION 2 - CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION Dr. Ruby J. Johnson

SECTION 3 - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION *(Action if Needed)*

- Attorney Fees
- Legislative Update
- Second Reading Revision of Policy IKA-R - Grading Assessment Systems
- Second Reading of Policy IKFC/IKFC-R - Employability Credential
- Second Reading of Policy IKADD/IKADD-R - Content and Credit Recovery

SECTION 4 - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT *(Action if Needed)* Dr. Thelma Sojourner

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RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

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ADJOURNMENT