

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 PM

APRIL 9, 2015

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Sumter County Board of Education was called to order by Michael Busman, Chairman with the following other members present: Meda Krenson, Rick Barnes, Alice Green, Jim Reid and Sylvia Roland.

Member absent: Edith Green

A moment of silence was observed.

The regular meeting agenda was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Barnes; second by Mr. Reid.

A motion was made by Ms. Alice Green; second by Mrs. Krenson; to approve the consent agenda including minutes of the March 12 & 24, 2015 meetings; motion carried unanimously.

The following fund raisers, school use requests and overnight field trips were unanimously approved on a motion by Ms. Green; second by Mr. Barnes.

FUND RAISERS

1. Skills USA (ASHS-S) to sell cookie dough April 10-30, 2015.
2. Skills USA (ASHS-S) to sell custom tumblers/cups August 17-31, 2015.

SCHOOL USE REQUESTS

1. Martha Harvey to use cafeteria at SCMS for a funeral repass March 28, 2015. (Fees paid)
2. Tavarise Terry to use the gym at ASHS-South April 12, 2015 for a charity fundraiser for cancer. (Fees paid)
3. Kedrick Cox to use the cafeteria at SCMS April 12, 2015 for an anniversary dinner. (Fees paid)
4. Cynthia Whitehead (Eastside Ministry Youth Group) to use the cafeteria at Staley Middle School April 12, 2015 for a recognition and celebration of youth for academic achievement and leadership skills. (Fees waived)
5. Schley Sumter Forestry to use the gymnasium at ASHS-S for a pageant, May 2, 2014. (Fees paid)
6. Angela Holt to use the cafeteria at ASHS-North for a graduation party May 23, 2015. (Fees paid)
7. Shawnda Moore to use the cafeteria at SCMS May 24, 2015 for a birthday celebration. (Fees paid)
8. Frankie Solomon (RSJMI Productions) to use the gym at SCPS May 16, 2015 for a stage play for the community. (Fees pending)
9. Megina Placko to use cafeteria at ASHS-North May 30, 2015 for a baby shower. (Fees paid)
10. Dwight Harris' Boys Club (DHBC) to use the gym at Staley Middle School, June 1-July 26, 2015 for summer basketball. (Fees paid)
11. Carlos Lundy to use the gymnasium at ASHS-S, June 27, 2015 for a talent showcase. (Fees paid)

OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIPS

1. Two students (Golf Team ASHS-S) to Cairo, April 15-16, 2015 to participate in the Region 1-AAAA Golf Match.
2. Ten students (ASHS-S Skills USA) to Atlanta, April 18-19, 2015 to participate in the team competition.
3. Twelve students (SCES) to Jacksonville, Florida, May 1, 2015 to explore the Museum of Science History Education Program.

BOARD COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

The following waivers were unanimously approved as recommended by the committee:

1. Alternative/Non-traditional Education Programs
2. Minimum Direct Classroom Expenditures

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The financial reports for March 2015 along with the following preliminary cash flow report were unanimously approved upon the recommendation of the committee:

Preliminary Cash Flow Report

	Citizens Bank – General Funds	Citizens Bank – Construction 2011	Office of the State Treasury General Funds
February 28, 2015 Beginning Cash	\$2,835,417.01	\$28,584.58	\$4,513,930.63
Incoming	\$4,243,747.75	\$150,000.00	\$879.88
Outgoing	\$4,575,202.91	\$96,959.07	\$0.00
March 31, 2015 Ending Cash	\$2,503,961.85	\$81,625.51	\$4,514,810.51

The committee recommended approval of an invoice from the Sumter County Board of Elections for March 2014 elections; motion carried unanimously.

Insurance renewal through Liberty Mutual was unanimously approved as recommended by the committee.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Policy IBB – Charter Schools was unanimously approved upon recommendation of the committee.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The following items were unanimously approved as recommended by the committee:

1. Approval of the bid from Stonhard to replace the restroom flooring at SCMS
2. Acceptance of the bid from ATS Adaptive Solutions for cameras and security upgrades at ASHS-South

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

The Classroom Connections Grant was unanimously approved as recommended by the committee.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mrs. Krenson; second by Mr. Barnes to approve the Resolution to Reopen a Facility (Cherokee Elementary School); motion carried unanimously.

The following school name changes were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Barnes; second by Mr. Reid:

Sumter County Early Learning Center (at Sarah Cobb)
Sumter County Primary School
Sumter County Elementary School
Sumter Intermediate School
Sumter County Middle School
Americus-Sumter Ninth Grade Academy (at Staley)
Americus-Sumter High School

A motion was made by Mr. Barnes; second by Mrs. Krenson to approve the March 17, 2015 Elections Resolution regarding ESPLOST; motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made at 7:41 p.m. by Mr. Reid; second by Mrs. Roland to enter into executive session. The purpose of executive session is to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or to interview applicants for the position of superintendent; (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2)). And, to discuss or vote to authorize negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property; authorize ordering an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate; enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of, or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; or enter into an option to purchase, dispose of or lease real estate subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b) (1)).

After discussions in executive session, a motion was made by Mrs. Roland; second by Ms. Green to return to open session; motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The following personnel recommendations were unanimously approved as recommended by the committee:

Retirements

Susan Merchant
Annie Paschal
Karen Woodard
Karen Newton
Barbara Watford
Delphine McGrady

Resignations

Rebecca Freeman
Leslie Locklear
Yolanda Smith
Marcus Dice
Angel Howard

Family Medical Leave

Sharon Harper

Upon recommendation by the committee, the following 2015-2016 administrative slate was approved, four in favor (Mrs. Krenson, Dr. Busman, Mr. Barnes & Ms. Green); one opposed (Mr. Reid); and one abstention (Mrs. Roland):

Associate Superintendent, Victoria Harris
Director of Human Resources, Helen Ricketts
Director of Federal Programs/Pupil Support Services, Gayla Braziel
Director of Professional Learning, Assessment & Athletics, Walter Knighton
Director of School Nutrition, Martha Harvey
Director of Special Education, Sebrina Pitts
Director of Technology, Chris Usrey
Director of Transportation, Tracy Monts
Director of Maintenance/Grounds, Billy Thompkins
Director of Career/Tech/Ag Ed/YAP Coordinator, Sharon Jackson

Business Services/Accounting Manager, Earleen Tracy
Director of Extensions Programs, Natacha Merritt
Director of Public Relations, Tom DeTitta
Attendance Officer – 49%, Jimmy Green

Sumter County Early Learning Center (PK-K)

Principal, Lezley Anderson
Asst. Principal – 50%, Jason Reese

Sumter County Primary School (1st-2nd)

Principal, Sharon Tullis
Asst. Principal – 49%, Nancy Cochran
Asst. Principal – 49%, Connie Whitehead

Sumter County Elementary School (3rd-4th)

Principal, Renee' Mays
Asst. Principal, Angie Brunson

Sumter County Intermediate School (5th-6th)

Principal, Sharron Marcus
Asst. Principal, Chad Chafin

Sumter County Middle School (7th-8th)

Principal, Stacy Favors
Asst. Principal, Pam Sanders

Americus-Sumter High – 9th Grade Academy

Principal, Coleman Price
Asst. Principal – 50%, William Bell

Americus-Sumter High School

Asst. Principal, Rosemary Jones
Asst. Principal, Todd Vickery
Asst. Principal – 50%, William Bell

The administrative recommendation of Erik Soliday as head football coach was unanimously approved as recommended by the committee.

The committee recommended the 2015-2016 administrative recommendation of Kimothy Hadley, Principal, ASHS-South Campus; motion failed on the following vote: three in favor (Mrs. Krenson, Mr. Barnes & Dr. Busman); two opposed (Mrs. Roland & Mr. Reid); and one abstention (Ms. Alice Green).

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned unanimously at 9:27 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Barnes; second by Mrs. Krenson.



Chairman



Secretary