HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

M I N U T E S
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING/BOARD MEETING
District Office
June 15, 2015

The following persons were present:

Board of Education

Joe DeFeo, Chairman	Holly Heniford	John Poston
David Cox, Vice-Chair	Neil James	Pam Timms
Jeffrey Garland	Kay Loftus	Sherrie Todd
Janet Graham	Janice Morreale	Ray Winters

Horry County Schools Staff

Velna Allen	Diane Gaskins	Valerie McNeil
Cindy Ambrose	Kenneth Generette	Boone Myrick
Mary Anderson	Roger Gray	Jamie Nininger
Ashley Blankenship	Ben Hardee	Bert Owen
Edward Boyd	Teal Harding	Beverly Pilkey
Daryl Brown	Traci Hogan	Lucas Richardson
Dottie Brown	Charles Hucks, Jr.	Angela Rush
Jackie Bryant	Jill Jeter	Heather Sheehan
Joe Burch	Kelly Johnson	Rhonda Snowden
Dena Chatfield	Mollie Laut	Susan Spain
Edi Cox	H.T. Lee	Judy Stall
Gaye Driggers	Ruth Lilly	David Stoudenmire
Laura Farmer	Cindy Magrath	John Washburn
Diane Formhals	Rick Maxey	Kristin Wilson
John Gardner	Vencie Maxey	Mark Wolfe

As required by SC Law 30-4-80, local news media were informed of the date, time, place, and agenda of this meeting. Copies of the agenda were posted at the District Office and distributed to schools for posting.

1. OPENING JUNE 15, 2015, AT 6:00 P.M. – CALL TO ORDER

A. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman DeFeo called the meeting to order. Ms. Timms gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Approval of Agenda

Mr. DeFeo asked that we add a new Item, Appointment of Technology Committee, at the beginning of the Discussion portion of the agenda. For the record, during Executive Session, we will discuss the contractual matter first, and the Acting Superintendent's performance evaluation second. A motion was made by Mr. Cox to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Timms and carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

2. SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

3. PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED 2015-16 BUDGET FOR HORRY COUNTY SCHOOLS

The Board went into a Special called Meeting as required by law to allow the public the opportunity to provide input on the 2015-16 proposed budget.

A. Public Comments on Proposed Budget
An opportunity was given for the public to make comments. No one chose to address the Board.

4. ADJOURN SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AND CONVENE BOARD MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. James and seconded by Mr. Garland to adjourn the Special Called Board meeting and to convene the regular Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. James and seconded by Mrs. Graham to approve the Minutes of the May 26, 2015, and June 2, 2015, Board meetings as presented. The motion carried unanimously and the Minutes were approved. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

6. RECOGNITIONS

Mr. John Gardner, HCS Chief Finance Officer, was recognized for having successfully completed the School Business Officer Certification Program, which is a national level recognition. Mr. Gardner completed 40 hours of coursework and had to pass extensive examinations in the area of finance to achieve this certification.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one signed up to speak or came forward to address the Board during Public Comments.

8. DISCUSSION

A. Appointment of Technology Committee
Janice Morreale will move from Chair of the Human Resources Committee to Chair of the Technology Committee. She will continue to serve on the Human Resources Committee until further notice. Ray Winters will also serve on the Technology Committee. David Cox will serve as Chair of the Human Resources Committee. There will be some other fill-in appointments at a later date.

B. Monitoring Report: R-5 Other Academic Disciplines (Digital Learning, Fine Arts, Health and Physical Education, Foreign Language, Career and Technology Majors)
Cindy Ambrose shared that the materials for other academic disciplines reflect the work of Instructional Support Services, Support Services, and Learning Services, and have been loaded into Granicus.

C. Monitoring Report: OE-11 Discipline

Dena Chatfield shared that the discipline reports have been provided and are loaded into Granicus. This gives a comparison of the 2014-15 school year to the prior two years.

D. Monitoring Report: OE-12 Learning Environment/Treatment of Students
Daryl Brown shared that the information on OE-12 has been loaded into Granicus.

E. Update – Temporary Summer Clerical Employees
Mary Anderson shared that when the Board met previously, there was discussion about utilizing persons through the WIA organization to provide summer clerical assistance to our schools. We discovered there was not the multitude of work force that we had anticipated. After going back to our principals, we learned that approximately 70% of the principals prefer to extend the contract hours of their current clerical staff as a means of giving additional assistance to the schools during the summer.

F. Superintendent's Report

1) Summer Programs for Students – Dr. Maxey shared that we have many opportunities for our students and staff members during the summer. The information on some of those activities has been loaded into Granicus for the Board members to have available.

2) 2014-15 Highlights Video – We have had another successful year in Horry County Schools and we are blessed to have an excellent Public Relations Department that puts together professional videos that capture these successes. The video was shared during the Board meeting.

Facilities Committee Update
Although not on the agenda, Mr. DeFeo asked Mr. James to provide an update from the Facilities Committee, which met earlier today. Mr. James shared that four items will be coming forward to the Board at a future time. The four items include: renovations to North Myrtle Beach High School, disposal of the Loris Education Center property, replacement of the electronic message board located on Highway 501 at the Facilities Complex, and clarification of OE-13. As we plan our Board Retreat for the fall, Mr. James asked that OE-13 be placed on the agenda for discussion.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Ms. Timms and seconded by Ms. Heniford to move into Executive Session to discuss, 1) contractual matter related to the purchase of property; and 2) Acting Superintendent's performance evaluation. The motion carried and the Board moved into Executive Session at 6:23 p.m. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

Return from Executive Session
A motion was made by Mr. James and seconded by Ms. Timms to return to open session. The motion carried. The Board returned to open session at 8:01 p.m. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

10. BUSINESS

A. Consideration for the Position of Superintendent
Mrs. Loftus made a motion that the Horry County Board of Education authorize its Chairman to execute an employment contract with Dr. Rick Maxey, which contract has been prepared by the Board attorneys and reviewed by the Board, and which provides for a three-year term at an annual salary of $210,000, effective July 1, 2015. The motion was seconded by Ms. Timms and carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not

cast a vote on this item. Mr. DeFeo congratulated Dr. Maxey. Dr. Maxey shared that it is an honor and a privilege to serve as Superintendent for Horry County Schools. He looks forward to good things happening in the future. Dr. Maxey thanked the Board for their trust and confidence in him and shared that he looks forward to working with them in the years to come.

Mr. DeFeo made the following statement from the Horry County Board of Education: The Horry County Board of Education has agreed to name Dr. Rick Maxey as Superintendent of Horry County Schools, and has extended a contract offer to him for a term of three years with an annual salary of $210,000. The Board evaluated Dr. Maxey's performance as Acting Superintendent for the past six months and as a result has determined that he has earned the trust and the confidence of the Board to lead the District. Dr. Maxey has exhibited leadership abilities at various positions during a distinguished career with the District, and we feel that he is the right person to continue and extend the excellence of Horry County Schools.

B. Consideration of 2015-16 Superintendent's Comprehensive Budget
John Gardner presented information regarding the 2015-16 budget. The budget presented is for a comprehensive budget totaling $655,488,152. A motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. James to adopt the Superintendent's 2015-16 Comprehensive Budget. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

C. Permission to Issue Contracts in Summer Months
Mary Anderson asked that the Board grant permission to the Superintendent to issue employment contracts to qualified candidates during the summer months and for those to be ratified by the Board of Education when the Board reconvenes in August. A motion was made by Mr. Garland and seconded by Ms. Timms to approve this request. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Winters made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items, which included: A. Personnel Recommendations as Required by Law; B. Monitoring Report: R-6 Personal Success and Citizenship; C. Education Fund Distribution – District 5; and Act 155 Diplomas. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Graham and carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

12. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. James and seconded by Ms. Timms to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the Board meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Snowden

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Approved: June 29, 2015