

# **HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

## ***MINUTES – Board Meeting***

### ***District Office***

***November 11, 2013***

The following persons were present:

**Board Members:**

David Cox  
Joe DeFeo  
Harvey Eisner  
Jeffrey Garland

Janet Graham  
Neil James  
Kay Loftus  
Karen McIlrath  
Janice Morreale

John Poston  
Pam Timms  
Joseph Washington

**Superintendent:**

Cindy Elsberry

**District Office Staff:**

Velna Allen  
Cindy Ambrose  
Mary Anderson  
Edward Boyd  
Teal Britton  
Daryl Brown  
Dottie Brown  
Joe Burch  
Carolyn Chestnut  
Edi Cox  
Matt Dean

Wanda Fulwood  
John Gardner  
Kenny Generette  
Roger Gray  
Ben Hardee  
Traci Hogan  
Charles Hucks  
Mollie Laut  
H.T. Lee  
Rick Maxey  
Boone Myrick

Bert Owen  
Beverly Pilkey  
Lucas Richardson  
Jeff Riddle  
Angela Rush  
Judy Stall  
Addie Swinney

**Principals:**

Michelle Dunsford  
Melissa Graham  
Michelle Graham

Candace Lane  
Janet Lawrence-Patten  
Mark Porter

Ben Prince  
Vicki Underwood

**Media:**

Heather Gale, Horry Independent  
Vicki Grooms, Sun News

**Opening** – The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Jimmy Washington offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members introduced themselves.

**Agenda**

**ACTION:** *Mr. Cox moved that the agenda be approved with the following revision:*

- *Delete Discussion 3.G. Reading Intervention*

*The motion was seconded by Mr. James and was approved unanimously.*

**Minutes**

**ACTION:** *Upon motion by Mr. Washington second by Mr. James, the October 28, 2013 board work session minutes were approved as presented.*

### **Public Comments**

- Jesse Funston, Greg Byers, Brad Richardson – Topic: proposed realignment of district attendance lines
- Bobby Chandler – Topic: Race to the Top Application
- Joseph Benton, Early College High School Student – Topic: Teen pregnancy

### **Recognition**

- Jeff Riddle was recognized for his years of service to the district.

### **Discussion**

- Transform SC – Jim Reynolds, Chairman of New Carolina, provided a report.
- Common Core State Standards -- A report was provided by several district teachers.
- Assessment – Dr. Elsberry provided a report on the various assessments used in the district.
- Local Bidding Preference – John Gardner reported on the district's minority vendor participation and the district's procurement program.
- Monitoring Reports:
  - Operational Expectations 8—Communicating with the Board – Kenneth Generette provided a report.
- Palmetto Regional Robotics Competition – Mr. Jack Moore provided a report on the annual competition and plans for future competitions. The Palmetto Partners organization is asking for an annual ongoing commitment of \$20,000 from the school district to keep the competition in the county.
- Superintendent's Report:
  - Advanced Placement Honor Roll – Dr. Elsberry reported that the district was named to the College Board's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual AP District Honor Roll.

### **Committee of the Whole**

- District-wide Facility Committee Recommendation

#### ***Carolina Forest Area:***

- ***Action: Mrs. Loftus made a three-part motion, with each to be voted on separately. 1) reject Carolina Forest realignment; 2) All students WNW of Gardner Lacy Road be moved to Black Water Middle School beginning in the 2014-15 school year; 3) the District will come back to the board with a plan for an addition to Ocean Bay Middle School. The motion was seconded by Ms. Timms.***
- ***Action: After discussion, Mrs. Loftus rescinded Part 2 of the motion, and Ms. Timms rescinded the second for Part 2 of the motion.***
- ***Action: Mr. Garland moved to amend the motion to add the placement of a bond referendum on the 2014 ballot for new middle school capacity relief. Mr. Poston seconded the motion.***
- ***Action on amendment to motion: In favor: Garland, Poston. Opposed: Cox, DeFeo, Eisner, Graham, James, Loftus, McIlrath, Morreale, Timms, Washington. The amended motion failed 2-10.***
- ***Action: The original motion (parts 1 and 3) was approved 9-3. In favor: Cox, DeFeo, Eisner, Graham, James, Loftus, McIlrath, Timms, Washington. Opposed: Garland, Morreale, Poston.***

***Note: As this was an action of the Committee of the Whole, the previous action will be brought back to the board for final approval, possibly at the December 16 board meeting.***

#### ***Kingston/Loris Area:***

***Action: Upon motion by Mr. Eisner, second by Mr. James, the Board unanimously approved the facilities committee's recommendation.***

**North Myrtle Beach Area:**

**Action:** Upon motion by Mr. Eisner, second by Cox, the Board unanimously approved the facilities committee's recommendation.

**Note:** Mr. Poston asked that the minutes reflect that because of the Hwy. 701 S. area realignment, Whittemore Park Middle School and Conway Middle School will be affected by tonight's action related to Kingston Elementary School.

**Special Called Meeting**

Consent Agenda

**Action:** Upon motion by Mr. Garland, second by Mr. James, the Board unanimously approved all personnel recommendations.

**Executive Session**

**Action:** At 8:12 p.m., upon motion by Mr. James, second by Mr. Garland, the Board reconvened in Executive Session for discussion regarding personnel matters.

**Open Session**

**Action:** At 10:28 p.m., upon motion by Mr. James, second by Mr. Garland, the Board reconvened in Open Session.

**Adjournment**

**ACTION:** At 10:30 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Poston, second by Mr. Cox, the meeting was adjourned.

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Wanda J. Fulwood  
Exec. Asst. to the Board and Superintendent

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_