

**HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD MEETING/SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING**  
**District Office**  
**August 6, 2018**

The following persons were present:

**Board of Education**

Neil James – Interim Chair	Chris Hardwick	John Poston
David Cox – Interim Vice-Chair	Holly Heniford	Sherrie Todd
Shanda Allen	Janice Morreale	Ray Winters
Janet Graham		

**Horry County Schools’ Staff**

Velna Allen	Deron Dolfi	Rick Maxey	Kristin Wilson
Mary J Anderson	Diane Horston	Boone Myrick	
Lisa Bourcier	Mark Koll	Heidi Oates	
Daryl Brown	H.T. Lee	Vann Pennell	
Joe Burch	Lindsay Lewis	Mark Porter	
Edi Cox	Dennis McCrary	April Scott	
Roger Dixon	Angie McCune	John Washburn	

*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 AUGUST 6, 2018, AT 6:00 P.M. – CALL TO ORDER**

Interim Chairman James called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. James noted that Pam Timms had informed him that she was unable to attend tonight’s meeting due to illness.

**A. Invocation**

Mr. Hardwick offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Approval of Agenda**

Mr. James noted that there would be a modification made to Business, Section E, to change the dates of Ratification of HR agendas from July 24, 2018 – August 2, 2018 to July 24, 2018 – August 6, 2018.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Winters and seconded by Mr. Hardwick to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

**Board Action:** A motion was made Ms. Allen and seconded by Ms. Morreale to approve the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

## **2. DISCUSSION**

### **A. Proposed Amendments to the Redevelopment and Financing Plan of the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base Redevelopment Authority**

Mr. James welcomed the Manager for the City of Myrtle Beach, Mr. John Pederson. Mr. Winters noted that he does occasionally represent the City of Myrtle Beach in real estate transactions though he had not done any work as it relates to the Myrtle Beach Air Force Redevelopment. As such, there is no conflict at hand.

Mr. Pedersen introduced Mike Shelton, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Myrtle Beach, who addressed the specifics of the proposal and the amendments that are proposed.

Mr. James thanked Mr. Pedersen and Mr. Shelton for presenting.

### **B. New Construction – Punch List Updates**

Mr. Koll stated that Ten Oaks Middle School, Saint James Intermediate School, Socastee Elementary School, Myrtle Beach Middle School, and Socastee Middle School (set to open Aug. 22, 2018) had a total of 1,500 punch list items. As of August 6, 2018, Ten Oaks Middle School has 41 open items, Saint James Intermediate School has 71 open items, Socastee Elementary School has 29 open items, Myrtle Beach Middle School has 70 open items and Socastee Middle School has 39 open items. These are open items that are part of the original 1,500 items.

Mr. James asked “Will these punch list items be resolved in time for the teachers and students to arrive?” Mr. Ferris stated they would be completed. Mr. Ferris remarked the weather had recently been an issue.

Mr. Ferris and Mr. Koll assured Mr. James and the Board that these schools would be ready for the students when school began on August 22, 2018.

### **C. Monitoring Report: GC-6 Annual Work Plan**

Monitoring Report GC-6 was provided. This draft item will be brought to the Board at the August 20, 2018, meeting for final approval.

### **D. Monitoring Report: OE-2 Emergency Superintendent Succession**

Monitoring Report OE-2 was provided. Dr. Maxey shared information from that report.

### **E. Monitoring Report: OE-11 Discipline**

Monitoring Report OE-11 was provided. Ms. Allen shared information from that report.

### **F. Monitoring Report: OE-13 Facilities**

Monitoring Report OE-13 was provided. Mr. Brown shared information from that report.

### **G. Superintendent’s Report**

1. Principals’ Meeting – August 1 and 2  
Dr. Maxey stated the first day focused on instruction and curriculum. The second day focused on the operational side. Sessions were held at AAST. Dr. Maxey shared this year HCS will focus on story.
  
2. New Principals – Meet and Greet Events  
Dr. Maxey addressed the new principal meet-and-greet events. The purpose of these events is to help make connections with the new principal and their respective school communities. The dates and times of these events are as follows:
  - Myrtle Beach High School: August 7, 4:00 – 6:00 P.M.
  - Forestbrook Middle School: August 8, 5:00 – 6:30 P.M.
  - Forestbrook Elementary School: August 9, 5:00 – 6:30 P.M.
  - Black Water Middle School: August 17, 4:00 – 6:30 P.M.
  
3. New Teacher Academy  
New Teacher Academy will be held August 7, 2018, at the AAST. As of August 6, 2018, we have 278 new staff registered to attend New Teacher Academy. Currently, HCS has 33.5 teacher vacancies.
  
4. HCS Back-to-School Top Ten List  
This list is to make parents aware of the things they need to know to get ready for back-to-school. Dr. Maxey noted the #HCSBack2school for sharing this information on social media.

### **3. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. Consideration of Employee Appeal**
- B. Consideration of Student Appeal A**
- C. Consideration of Student Appeal B**
- D. Receipt of Legal Advice Regarding May 7 FOIA Request Related to Recent Building Projects**
- E. Receipt of Legal Advice Regarding Proposed Amendments to Redevelopment of Financing Plan of the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base Redevelopment Authority**

***Board Action:*** A motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Hardwick to move into Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously and the Board moved into Executive Session at 7:16 pm.

***Board Action:*** A motion was made by Mr. Winters and seconded by Ms. Graham to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Board Work Session/Special-Called Meeting. The motion carried unanimously and the Board returned to open session at 9:38. The Board Chair noted that no action was taken during Executive Session.

### **4. ADJOURN BOARD WORK SESSION AND CONVENE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING**

***Board Action:*** A motion was made by Mr. Winters to convene a Special-Called meeting and seconded by Mr. Poston. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

## 5. BUSINESS

### A. Consideration of Employee Appeal

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Poston to not grant the employee's request for a hearing before the Board and to uphold the Superintendent's decision for termination. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hardwick. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

### B. Consideration of Student Appeal A

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Hardwick and seconded by Ms. Graham to allow the student to return to his/her base school for a probationary period during the first semester. Upon a vote, the motion carried as follows: Heniford, Winters, Graham, Poston, Hardwick, Allen – in favor; Todd, Morreale, and Cox – opposed. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

### C. Consideration of Student Appeal B

**Board Action:** A motion was made Ms. Cox and seconded by Mr. Poston to uphold the District Appeals Board's decision to assign the student to the alternative school program. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not vote on this item.

### D. Consideration of Sale of Property at River Oaks Elementary and Ten Oaks Middle to Grand Strand Water and Sewer Authority for Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Cox to approve the sale of property at River Oaks Elementary School to Grand Strand Water and Sewer Authority for the amount of \$17,000.00 and seconded by Mr. Winters. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Winters to approve the sale of property at Ten Oaks Middle School to Grand Strand Water and Sewer Authority for the amount of \$42,000.00 and seconded by Mr. Hardwick. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not vote on this item.

### E. Ratification of Employment Contracts Issued by Superintendent During Summer Months

Ms. Anderson requested that the Board ratify the contracts during the specified time frame with the amended end date of August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018, for approval.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Winters to ratify the employment contracts. Ms. Morreale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

### F. Advisory Board Appointments

There are no appointments at this time.

**6. CONSENT**

A. Education Fund Distribution

***Board Action:*** A motion was made by Mr. Poston and seconded by Ms. Graham to approve the Consent Agenda item as presented. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

***Board Action:*** A motion was made Mr. Winters and seconded by Ms. Graham. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

**BOARD SELF-ASSESSMENT RESULTS**

A summary of the responses follows.

Respectfully submitted,



Heidi Oates  
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and  
Horry County Board of Education

Approved: 8/20/18

Board Performance Indicators - 6 Responses

08/6/18

*5 = strongly agree, 4 = agree, 3 = neither agree nor disagree, 2 = disagree, 1 = strongly disagree*

*Date*

**Agenda**

Reports are clear, well prepared and provide adequate information for decision making.

28 / 4.66

The majority of agenda items focus on our core purpose.

27/4.5

**Meetings**

Our meetings are businesslike, results-oriented and we function like a team.

28/4.66

Our discussions are cordial and well balanced (not dominated by just a few members.)

27/4.5

**Community**

Board members make reasonable efforts to inform themselves about education through school visits, professional meetings and outside reading.

28/4.66

Board members meet reasonable expectations of involvement by participating in school and other public meetings as representatives of the Board.

28/4.66

Board members efficiently address issues and concerns brought to them by the public.

28/4.66

**Superintendent Relationship**

The Board seeks and values the input of the Superintendent as issues are discussed and decisions are made.

27/4.5

**Work / Policies**

Board decisions are based on thoughtful analysis of available information.

28/4.66

Board members balance the issues of their district with the needs of the entire school district.

26/4.33

The Board places emphasis on building consensus among members through open and honest communication.

28/4.66

**Comments:**

There were no comments.