

# HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

## **MINUTES BOARD MEETING District Office July 23, 2018**

The following persons were present:

### **Board of Education**

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

### **Horry County Schools' Staff**

Velna Allen	Rick Maxey	Melissa Rutenberg
Mary J. Anderson	Natasha McDonald	Donna Satterley
Lisa Bourcier	Zach McQuigg	Scott Scrivner
Joe Burch	Boone Myrick	Marcus Timmons
Edi Cox	Jamie Nininger	John Washburn
Marshall Hursey	Heidi Oates	Mark Wolfe
Candace Lane	Jayson Powers	

*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 JULY 23, 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 Ms. Morreale had informed him that she was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to a work conflict.

#### **A. Invocation**

Ms. Allen offered the invocation.

#### **B. Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **C. Approval of Agenda**

Mr. James noted that a new item would be added to the agenda under Discussion: "Item A - Facilities Committee Update" and that a report would be provided by Mr. Winters.

***Board Action:*** A motion was made by Ms. Timms and seconded by Mr. Winters to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

## **D. Approval of Minutes**

**Board Action:** A motion was made Mr. Cox to approve the June 18, 2018, minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hardwick and carried unanimously.

## **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one signed up to address the Board during Public Comments.

## **3. DISCUSSION**

### **A. Facilities Committee Report**

Mr. Winters gave a report from the Facilities Committee meeting held prior to the board meeting. North Myrtle Beach High School has only small items remaining and should be completed by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. North Myrtle Beach Middle School is complete as it relates to the building itself. Midlands Elementary School has clean up items and will be completed once OSF does its final inspection.

Mr. Winters also reported that FirstFloor has approximately 800 incomplete items still remaining at the five schools. FirstFloor will not meet the prior deadline of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The new deadline is now prior to teacher arrival in those buildings. As it relates to modular units, Pee Dee Elementary will have their modular units September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018, and River Oaks Elementary will have their modular units September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018. River Oaks Elementary will have accommodations made at Ocean Bay Middle for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students until the modular units arrive.

The North Myrtle Beach Middle School soccer field has been completed with a few spots requiring re-sodding.

Confirmation was given on the office space located at Horry Georgetown College for the temporary housing of Horry County Schools Adult Education program. The space must be vacated by the end of this calendar year. Facilities was directed to seek out an alternative space for the Adult Education program.

There is a need for technical specifications for the Horry County Education Center. Ms. Heniford and Ms. Todd agreed to serve along with the four staff members on the selection committee.

Lastly, Ms. Heniford was given permission to let the North Myrtle Beach High School Booster Club view the property located at North Myrtle Beach High School prior to any decision being made about the property.

Board Member Mr. Hardwick asked, "If the punch list items are not complete by the beginning of school, what recourse does Horry County Schools have?" Mr. Wolfe answered, "The recourse is financial. We have not released all of the retainage yet. We have a substantial amount of money being held on each school that we would not release until completion of the punch list items and we receive all close out documents. That's our recourse".

Mr. James replied to the question previously posed by Mr. Poston regarding why a Board member served on a selection committee. Mr. James remarked that the Board will include a member on the

committee for the Alternative School, Renovations to Aynor Middle School, and the Transportation/Records/Science Kit Building. In accordance with OE-13 and GC-5, a Board member was to be appointed from the Facilities Committee. Ms. Todd and Ms. Heniford will be representing the Board as Facilities Committee members and as Board members.

Mr. Cox asked Mr. James, “How many people will be on that Committee?” Mr. James then responded “There will be six. Four from the staff and two from the Board. GC-5 is specific in saying that if there are ten members, at least five will be from the Board.”

**B. Consideration of Sale of Property at River Oaks Elementary School and Ten Oaks Middle School to Grand Strand Water and Sewer Authority for Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well Sites**

Mr. Brown shared that on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the Facilities Committee voted to allow staff to proceed with developing a contract for the potential sale of property to Grand Strand Water and Sewer Authority for an aquifer recovery and storage well site at River Oaks Elementary. The Facilities Committee would like the Board to consider the sale of 6/10 of an acre of property located at River Oaks Elementary School to be used for an aquifer storage and recovery well site in the amount of \$17,000.

On March 19, 2018, the Facilities Committee voted to allow staff to proceed with developing a contract for potential sale of property to Grand Strand Water and Sewer Authority for an aquifer recovery and storage well site at Ten Oaks Middle School. The Facilities Committee would like the Board to consider the sale of a little over 9/10 of an acre of property located at Ten Oaks Middle School to be used for an aquifer storage and recovery well site in the amount of \$42,000.

Mr. James commented that these locations are portions of our property that we do not need nor would we use.

Mr. Poston asked if mapping was available on those locations. Mr. Brown stated those items would be made available in Granicus.

**C. Superintendent’s Report**

1) Summer Enrichment Activities for Students

Dr. Maxey shared numerous activities that were provided to our students during the summer months. One activity that was offered and proved beneficial to our students was summer reading camps. These camps were held at Carolina Forest Elementary School, Conway Elementary School, and Socastee Elementary School. The reading camps began June 16, 2018, and ended July, 19, 2018. The total enrollment of the three sites was 220 students. Another activity that took place from July 16, 2018, through July 19, 2018, at Conway High School was iTeams Extreme Next Generation. A total 58 students from grades 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> participated in this STEM-related program. The District also offered the Summer Scholars Program June 11 - 14 and June 18 – June 21, 2018, at AAST. 396 students participated the first week, and 389 the second week for a total of 785 participants. The District also offered extended school year to support our students with disabilities, with a total of 135 students participating in this program. Lastly, the District had 24 seniors graduate from summer school.

2) Operation Prevention Curriculum

On July 10<sup>th</sup>, the City of Myrtle Beach issued a proclamation acknowledging Horry County Schools efforts to provide education to our students regarding the dangers of opioid abuse. This curriculum, developed by the Discovery Channel, will be delivered in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade during the first year of implementation with

expansion during the coming years. Dr. Maxey and the Board thanked the City of Myrtle Beach for recognizing our efforts to address this growing social problem.

#### **4. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

##### **A. Discussion of Personnel Recommendations**

##### **B. Receipt of Legal Advice from Independent Counsel Regarding May 7<sup>th</sup> FOIA Request Related to Recent Building Projects**

##### **C. Receipt of Legal Advice Regarding Proposed Amendments to Redevelopment and Financing Plan of the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base Redevelopment Authority**

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Winters and seconded by Mr. Cox to move into Executive Session. The motion carried and the Board moved into Executive Session at 6:18 pm.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Hardwick to return to open session. The motion carried and the Board returned to open session at 7:47 pm. The Board Chair noted that no action was taken during Executive Session.

#### **5. BUSINESS**

##### **A. Consideration of a Recommendation(s) to Employ Personnel**

Dr. Maxey stated he had four principal recommendations to bring before the board which he would present separately in alphabetical order by school.

The first recommendation was that Mr. Marcus Timmons be named as Principal of Black Water Middle School effective the 2018-2019 school year.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Poston and seconded by Mr. Hardwick to name Mr. Marcus Timmons as Principal of Black Water Middle School effective the 2018-2019 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Timmons was recognized by the Board and congratulated.

The second recommendation was that Mr. Marshall Hursey be named as Principal of Forestbrook Elementary School effective the 2018-2019 school year.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Ms. Timms and seconded by Mr. Poston to name Mr. Marshall Hursey as Principal of Forestbrook Elementary School effective the 2018-2019 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hursey was recognized by the Board and congratulated.

The third recommendation was that Ms. Melissa Rutenburg be named as Principal of Forestbrook Middle School effective the 2018-2019 school year.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Winters and seconded by Mr. Hardwick to name Ms. Melissa Rutenburg as Principal of Forestbrook Middle School effective the 2018-2019 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Rutenburg was recognized by the Board and congratulated.

The final recommendation was that Mr. Zachary McQuigg be named as Principal of Myrtle Beach High School effective the 2018-2019 school year.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Ms. Todd and seconded by Mr. Winters to name Mr. Zachary McQuigg as Principal of Myrtle Beach High School effective the 2018-2019 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McQuigg was recognized by the Board and congratulated.

### **B. Ratification of Employment Contracts Issued by the Superintendent from June 19, 2018, through July 19, 2018**

Ms. Anderson addressed the Board requesting ratification of recommendations approved by the Superintendent during the specified time frame of June 19, 2018, through July 19, 2018.

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Poston and seconded by Ms. Heniford to approve the ratification of the employee recommendations approved by the Superintendent from June 19, 2018, through July 19, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

### **C. Advisory Board Appointments**

**Board Action:** A recommendation was made by Ms. Heniford to appoint/reappoint the following Advisory Board member to the North Myrtle Beach Area Advisory Board:

Van Washington – 2-Year Term – 1<sup>st</sup> Term Appointment

The recommendation was seconded by Ms. Timms and carried unanimously.

**Board Action:** A recommendation was made by Ms. Allen to appoint/reappoint the following Advisory Board members to the Aynor Area Advisory Board:

Doyle Nobles – 2-Year Term – 1<sup>st</sup> Term Appointment

(Previously served at Chairperson. Mr. Nobles will now serve as Community Representative)

Catherine Johnson – 2-Year Term – 2<sup>nd</sup> Term Appointment

Charlene Kirby – 2-Year Term – 3<sup>rd</sup> Term Appointment

Kelly Long – 2-Year Term – 2<sup>nd</sup> Term Appointment

Shannon Holbert – 2-Year Term – 3<sup>rd</sup> Term Appointment

Benji Andrew – 1-Year Term – 1<sup>st</sup> Term Appointment

The recommendation was seconded by Mr. Poston and carried unanimously.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

**Board Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Hardwick to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously, and the Board meeting was adjourned.

**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: 8/6/2018

Board Performance Indicators - 8 Responses

07/23/18

*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.

39 / 4.87

The majority of agenda items focus on our core purpose.

39 / 4.87

### Meetings

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

39 / 4.87

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

33 / 4.71

### Community

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

38 / 4.75

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

40 / 5.0

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

32 / 4.57

### Superintendent Relationship

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

39 / 4.87

### Work / Policies

Board decisions are based on thoughtful analysis of available information.

39/4.87

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

37/4.62

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

34/4.25

### Comments:

There were no comments.