

HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING District Office May 4, 2016

The following persons were present:

Board of Education

Joe DeFeo, Chairman	Janet Graham	Pam Timms
David Cox, Vice-Chairman	Janice Morreale	Sherrie Todd
Jeffrey Garland	John Poston	Ray Winters

Horry County Schools' Staff

Jeanna Allen	Becky Hinson	Tonya Pickett
Mary Anderson	Traci Hogan	Beverly Pilkey
Bobbi Antonucci	Charles Hucks, Jr.	Lucas Richardson
Elissa Blosser	Kelly Johnson	Mary Beth Roach
Edward Boyd	Kandi Jones	Buffy Roberts
Daryl Brown	Candace Lane	Angela Rush
Dottie Brown	Janet Lawrence-Patten	Barbara Schlidt
Carolyn Chestnut	H. T. Lee	Heather Sheehan
Edi Cox	Ruth Lilly	Gretchen Smith
Meagen Cox	Cindy Magrath	Rhonda Snowden
Jeanie Dailey	Tammy Martin	Jackie Stanley
Maquitta Davis	Rick Maxey	David Stoudenmire
Martha Fout	Michael McCracken	Diane Thompson
Penny Foye	Natasha McDonald	Tammy Trulove
Melissa Gause	Norman McQueen	John Washburn
Sie Gilbert	Boone Myrick	Melissa Westbury
Bo Gorcesky	Betty Owen	Kristin Wilson
Ben Hardee	Vann Pennell	Mark Wolfe
Teal Harding		

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 MAY 4, 2016, AT 3:30 P.M. – CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairman Cox called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

A. Approval of Agenda

Board Action: A motion was made by Mr. Garland and seconded by Ms. Timms to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

2. SUPERINTENDENT OVERVIEW OF ADVANCED ACCREDITATION

Dr. Maxey shared that today's exit report is a special one. Accreditation is very important to our schools and to our students. AdvancED is the accrediting agency for Horry County Schools. This is the third time that we have undergone this process through AdvancED. The team members consist of an external review group. This group gets to know what is going on in our district and in our schools through observations, visitations, and documents. The purpose of this meeting today is for us to receive a report of the outcome of the review by AdvancED. Dr. Steve Oborn is the lead evaluator and will be providing the exit report.

3. ADVANCED ACCREDITATION EXIT REPORT

Dr. Steven Oborn shared various aspects of the exit report and stated that the AdvancED External Review Team recommends that Horry County Schools earn the distinction of accreditation by AdvancED. Dr. Oborn applauded the District for receiving such high marks. A total of 501 people were interviewed by the team as a part of the process. A written report of this recommendation will be sent to the District within the next few weeks. Dr. Oborn congratulated the District and thanked all for their hospitality.

4. ADJOURNMENT

On behalf of the Board, Mr. DeFeo thanked Dr. Oborn and the visiting team for their Exit Report and for their recommendation to continue accreditation for Horry County Schools. This process is very helpful as we continuously try to improve the education for the students of our county.

Mr. DeFeo added that we appreciate the team taking the time to visit Horry County, and that the Board will work with the Superintendent to address the recommendations made by the visiting team. Mr. DeFeo also thanked the entire staff for their work and efforts with this process.

Board Action: A motion was made by Mr. Poston and was seconded by Ms. Morreale to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

Respectfully submitted,



Rhonda Snowden
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and
Horry County Schools' Board of Education

Approved: _____