

HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES – Board Meeting
District Office
July 28, 2014

The following persons were present:

Board of Education

Joe DeFeo, Chairman	Janet Graham	Jimmy Washington
David Cox	Neil James	
Harvey Eisner	Janice Morreale	
Jeffrey Garland	John Poston	

Horry County Schools Staff

Cindy Ambrose	John Gardner	Bert Owen
Bobbi Antonucci	Kenneth Generette	Mark Porter
Holly Barnes	Traci Hogan	Sandy Reyes
Dwight Boykin	Charles Hucks	Barbara Schlidt
Dottie Brown	Connie Huddle	Judy Shelley
Janice Christy	Candace Lane	Judy Stall
Matt Dean	Mollie Laut	Addie Swinney
Judy Edwards	HT Lee	Stephanie Yancey
Laura Farmer	Rick Maxey	

Opening July 28, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. - Call to Order

Chairman DeFeo called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. David Cox gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Mr. Cox, seconded by Mr. Washington, the board voted to approve the agenda as presented.

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.

Public Comments

There were no public comments made

Business

Consideration of Multiple Designs for North Myrtle Beach Middle School Addition and Middle School Design

Agenda Action Form 

Reduced/Deleted Spaces Comparison 

Rick Maxey updated the Board on recent progress of the Steering Committee. Dr. Maxey noted that the Board had voted at the June 9th meeting that at least one of the options presented to the Board for each project must be within the approved budget.

Dr. Maxey presented the Board with conceptual designs for the North Myrtle Beach Middle School project and the Middle School Design.

Mr. James requested that the two projects be discussed individually, beginning with the North Myrtle Beach Middle School. He noted that the Steering Committee was in agreement on the preferred design although it was over budget. Mr. James moved to approve the design for the North Myrtle Beach Middle School that is approximately \$900,000 over the originally approved budget. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Morreale. Mr. Eisner spoke in favor of the plan citing its flexibility for the future. Mrs. Morreale asked for an explanation of features of the plan. Mark Wolfe explained that the addition of a corridor that connects the grade-level wings allows for transitional use between the grades.

Mr. Poston asked if the model could be modified in the future if needed. Mr. Wolfe said that the plan did allow for an addition if needed, however, boundary lines may be a factor.

Chairman DeFeo called for a vote on the motion as presented. All members voted in favor, motion passed.

The Board then discussed the 145,000 square-foot middle school model. Dr. Maxey gave an overview of the design.

Mr. Garland motioned to amend the previously approved budget of the 4 middle schools on the Short-Term Facility Plan as follows: St. James Middle/Intermediate School, \$31,100,000; Carolina Forest Middle School \$36,750,000; Myrtle Beach Intermediate School, \$36,750,000; and, Socastee Middle School, \$31,100,000; Mr. James seconded the motion.

Mr. Eisner asked for an explanation of the difference between the two figures presented. Dr. Maxey explained that the difference is the student count. He added that St. James and Socastee designs would hold 800 students and the Myrtle Beach and Carolina Forest designs would hold 1,200 students. Chairman DeFeo noted that the smaller design eliminated a wing, but the core building was the same.

After a brief discussion on expansion potential, the Board unanimously voted in favor of the proposed budgets for Middle School Designs.

Mr. James commended Dr. Maxey and everyone involved in the Conceptual Design process. Mr. Eisner agreed and applauded the Board for taking the steps to prepare Horry County Schools for 2050.

Executive Session for Discussion of Contract Negotiations and Personnel Matters

Moved by Mr. Poston, seconded by Mr. Cox, the Board entered executive session.

Moved by Mr. Poston, seconded by Mr. James, the Board re-entered regular session.

Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Poston, seconded by Mrs. Morreale, the Board adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Leann Hill
Executive Asst. to the Board and Superintendent

Approved: