

HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES BOARD RETREAT District Office December 3, 2018

The following persons were present:

Board of Education

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

Horry County Schools Staff

Velna Allen	Kenneth Generette	Heidi Oates
Mary Anderson	Sharon Harris	Lucas Richardson
Bobbi Antonucci	Leann Hill	Mark Wolfe
Lisa Bourcier	Mark Koll	
Daryl Brown	Rick Maxey	
Joe Burch	Dennis McCrary	
John Gardner	Boone Myrick	

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 December 3, 2018, AT 6:00 P.M. – CALL TO ORDER

Interim Chairman James called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

A. Invocation

Ms. Allen offered the invocation.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. James led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Approval of Agenda

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

2. DISCUSSION

A. Review of facilities planning documents

Dr. Sandra Lindsay, Lindsay Consulting, LLC, reviewed the documents presented with the Board. Dr. Lindsay noted a singular focus, that being prioritizing facility and capital needs. Dr. Lindsay spoke on the vision of Horry County Schools being a priority. Dr. Lindsay stated no votes would be made during this meeting. The following documents were presented to the Board for review:

The Five-Year Capital Plan Projects list was presented to the Board and reviewed.

The Five-Year Capital Plan PowerPoint was presented to the Board and reviewed.

The Five-Year Capital Plan Funding Options list was presented to the Board and reviewed.

The 2018-2019 Five-Year 45-Day ADM Growth by Attendance Area Chart was presented to the Board and reviewed.

B. Introduction to prioritization process

In order to determine priorities, the projects were split into five categories — capacity/growth, replace/renovate for condition, sustainment projects, athletic projects and grounds projects.

Dr. Lindsay allotted each of the 11 board members green (worth three points), blue (two points) and red (one point) magnets for each category. Board members placed magnetic tiles on a white board designating first, second, and third place prioritization for each project accordingly. Points were tallied and checked by at least three staff members for accuracy.

C. Prioritize capital projects within categories

Once Board members placed their magnets next to the projects they deemed most important, a follow-up round allowed Board members to choose which category of projects was most important.

D. Prioritize selected projects

The two categories with the highest prioritization were capacity and growth followed by renovation and replacement. Within those categories, top priorities were as follows:

Capacity and Growth

1. Modular classrooms
2. St. James High School renovation/addition
3. Myrtle Beach High School addition/renovation

Renovation and Replacement

1. Horry County Education Center
2. Replacement of Whittemore Park Middle School
3. Conway High School renovation

The subsequent categories/projects are listed in order of prioritization:

Sustainment

1. HVAC replacements
2. Roofing replacements
3. Electrical/Plumbing upgrades

Athletics

1. High School Track/Field/Stadium upgrades
2. High School Tennis Court renovations
3. High School Baseball/Softball upgrades tied with High School practice fields

Grounds

1. Traffic Relief/Loop Roads
2. Elementary School play fields
3. Parking Lot upgrades/improvements

E. Discuss funding projects

The Five-Year Capital Plan Funding Options chart was provided and reviewed. Mr. Gardner discussed the Board's Finance Committee's recommendation to "pay as you go" to the Board last November. This option would provide \$3.2 million in funding now with an additional \$37 million in funding when the penny sales tax expires in 2024. Mr. Poston noted this vote was taken more than a year ago and that a lot had happened since that vote.

Board Chair-elect Ken Richardson was invited to present a possible funding option to the Board. Mr. Richardson spoke about a bill introduced in the House last Friday called the Hurricane Florence Disaster Relief Bill. This bill would provide two billion dollars to South Carolina for use on "shovel-ready" projects. Mr. Gardner reminded the Board that this funding would be a zero interest loan and would have to be paid back. Mr. Richardson remarked that HCS was the only district in South Carolina attempting to acquire this funding at this time.

F. Wrap-up and next steps

Mr. James moved to adjourn the meeting without a vote regarding funding. Mr. James recommended Board members review the discussion and prioritization of projects before making an official decision on funding options. Mr. James stated some decisions may need to be

revisited in light of the projects prioritized. The Board will vote at a later date on the funding options.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Board Action: A motion was made by Mr. Hardwick and seconded by Mr. Winters to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,



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

Approved: _____