

HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES BOARD MEETING District Office August 20, 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
Janet Graham	Janice Morreale	Ray Winters

Horry County Schools' Staff

Velna Allen	Rick Maxey	Melissa Westbury	
Mary J Anderson	Boone Myrick		
Daryl Brown	Cecelia Nance		
Edi Cox	Heidi Oates		
Natalie DuRant	Mark Porter		
Mark Koll	Sandy Reyes		
HT Lee	April Scott		

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 20, 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 Shanda Allen had informed him that she was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to a continuing education class.

A. Invocation

Mr. Poston offered the invocation.

B. Presentation of Colors, Pledge of Allegiance

The Myrtle Beach High School Navy JROTC presented the Colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Approval of Agenda

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

D. Approval of Minutes

Board Action: A motion was made Mr. Winters and seconded by Mr. Poston to approve the August 6, 2018, Board Minutes as presented. The motion was carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

2. RECOGNITIONS

A. 2017 ASBO International Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting

The Horry County Schools Financial Department was recognized for having received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting (COE) and earning the Certificate of Excellence for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended 2017.

B. SCSBA Boardmanship Institute Recognition

Ms. Janet Graham, Board Member, was recognized and congratulated for achieving Level 5 with the Boardmanship Institute. Ms. Holly Heniford, Board Member, was recognized and congratulated for achieving Level 3 with the Boardmanship Institute. Mr. James presented each member with their achievement pin and thanked for their service and time.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Beth Cox spoke during Public Comments on the topic of Sick Leave Bank.
- Bobby Chandler spoke during Public Comments on the topic of Board Governance.

4. DISCUSSION

A. Facilities Committee Report

Mr. Winters gave a report from the Facilities Committee meeting held earlier today. An update was given on ongoing projects. Mr. Winters commented all buildings are ready for children to occupy. With the exception of items ordered but not delivered, punch list items are near completion. Mr. Winters noted Mr. Ferris had presented them with several press releases where the new facilities had won several prestigious awards. Modular units for River Oaks Elementary and River Oaks Elementary are still on schedule for delivery. Mr. Winters stated that there is no need to relocate from the Grand Strand Campus of HGTC during the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year. A presentation was given about the tennis facilities and track not being suitable for play with discussion over what would make those facilities acceptable. Testing is suggested for assessment of those facilities. An additional discussion was held of the State Department's proposed role out of propane buses. Mr. Cox thanked Firstfloor for their work. Ms. Heniford concurred with Mr. Cox's comments.

B. Proclamation of Constitution Week – September 17-23, 2018

Ms. Jean Courtney from the Daughters of the American Revolution was in attendance. Mr. Generette recognized the representatives from the DAR in the audience. The DAR is requesting that the Board consider the issuance of a Proclamation recognizing the week of September 17-23, 2018, as Constitution Week in Horry County Schools. Upon voting on the Proclamation, Mr. Generette will present the Proclamation to the DAR at that time.

- C. Superintendent's Report
 - a. New School Year Preparations

Dr. Maxey shared information regarding preparations for the upcoming first day of school on Wednesday, August 22, 2018.
 - b. An HCS Story

Dr. Maxey shared an HCS Story presentation about St. James Middle School. Former and current staff members and students opened a 30 year old time capsule and shared via Facebook Live the contents of that capsule and stories about the history from that time. Mr. James noted that HCS has 43,000 students in attendance at Horry County Schools this year and 5,500 employees working to serve those students. He commented that was something to be proud of and we are looking forward to a great school year.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Receipt of Legal Advice Regarding Proposed Amendments to Redevelopment of Financing Plan of the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base Redevelopment Authority

B. Discussion of Personnel Recommendations

Board Action: A motion was made by Ms. Morreale and seconded by Mr. Cox to move into Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously and the Board moved into Executive Session at 6:37 P.M.

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. The motion carried unanimously and the Board returned to open session at 7:36 P.M. The Board Chair noted that no action was taken during Executive Session.

6. BUSINESS

A. Proclamation of Constitution Week

Board Action: A motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Hardwick to set aside the week of September 17-23, 2018, as Constitution Week in Horry County Schools. The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

B. Advisory Board Appointments

Board Action: A motion was made by Mr. Hardwick and seconded by Mr. Winters to appoint/reappoint the following Advisory Board member to the North Myrtle Beach Area Advisory Board:

Chrisi Russ – 2-Year Term – 3rd Term Appointment

The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

Board Action: A motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Ms. Timms to appoint/reappoint the following Advisory Board members to the St. James Area Advisory Board:

Kari Collins – 2-Year Term – 4th Term Appointment
Angel Mack – 2-Year Term – 4th Term Appointment
Robin Boyer – 1-Year Term – 2nd Term Appointment

The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

Board Action: A motion was made by Ms. Timms and seconded by Mr. Hardwick to appoint/reappoint the following Advisory Board members to the Loris Advisory Board:

Renee Prince – 2-Year Term – 4th Term Appointment
Christian Anderson – 2-Year Term – 2nd Term Appointment

The motion carried unanimously. The Board Chair did not cast a vote on this item.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Personnel Recommendations as Required by Law
- B. Education Fund Distribution – District 3
- C. Home School Request

Board Action: A motion was made by Mr. Winters and seconded by Mr. Cox to approve the Consent Agenda items 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. Cox and seconded by Ms. Graham. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 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: Sept. 10, 2018

Board Performance Indicators - 5 Responses

08/20/18

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.

25/5

The majority of agenda items focus on our core purpose.

24/4.5

Meetings

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

25/5

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

25/5

Community

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

24/4.8

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

24/4.8

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

25/5

Superintendent Relationship

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

25/5

Work / Policies

Board decisions are based on thoughtful analysis of available information.

24/4.8

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

23/4.6

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

25/5

Comments:

There were no comments.