

Bamberg School District One
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Richard Carroll Elementary School
June 15, 2015
6:30 P. M.

Members present: Board Chair Kedra H. Rivers, Vice Chair Chris Wallace, John L. Hiers, Secretary Tony E. Duncan, and Trustee Janeth Walker

Absent: None

1. **Call meeting to order:** Board Chair Kedra Rivers called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence.

2. **Notice to Media:** In accordance with the S. C. Code of Laws, Section 30-4-80(e), as amended, the following have been notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting:

The Times and Democrat
The Advertiser-Herald

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Trustee Tony Duncan **moved and Vice Chair Chris Wallace seconded to approve the agenda as presented.** The motion passed 5-0.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

Trustee Janeth Walker **moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to approve the Board Minutes of May 19, 2015, and June 1, 2015, as written.** The motion passed 5-0.

5. **School Reports: Stacey Walter, Leigh Ann Osborne, Randy Maxwell**

Reports were given from representatives of the following schools:

- Richard Carroll Elementary School – No Report – Principal Stacey Walter was absent.
- Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle School – Leigh Ann Osborne, guidance counselor.
- Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School – Dr. Sandra Glover, assistant principal, reported in the absence of Principal Randy Maxwell.

Student fees/charges at each school will be submitted to Board members at the July 2015, board meeting per request of the Board.

6. **Student/Staff Recognition and Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Schwarting reported the following:

- The Community Eligibility Program (Free Breakfast and Free Lunch) that was offered this school year for all students at the Richard Carroll Elementary School was a success.
- Upon the advice of Mr. Jermaine Shaw from the Office of School Food Service at the State Department, the District is planning to participate in the Community Eligibility Program next school year at all three schools in order to increase participation and

possibly avoid stigma. With the poverty factor being figured, the District would receive approximately 94% from the federal government and approximately 6% of the total revenue would come from the Food Service budget. Special food sales are not included in this package.

- Out-of-State field trip requests for the wrestling team that were approved at the May 2015, Board meeting were reviewed for information. [Board Packet Enclosures]
- The Plaintiffs in the lawsuit regarding a student who was accused of being bullied has been dismissed according to the District's law firm, Boykin and Davis; however, the child has until her eighteenth birthday to re-file. [Board Packet Enclosure]
- The auditors from McGregor & Company were in the district on May 26, 2015. They will return in September 2015, to complete the audit. [Board Packet Enclosure]

7. **FY 2015-2016 Budget**

- Final Reading

Finance Director Furr noted the following in response to the Board's request in reference to the cost for retirees of the District: Salary - \$805,958.00; Fringe - \$246,187.99; and Total Pay - \$1,052,145.99. Also, included in the 2015-2016 Budget are the number of FTEs per salary account. [Handout]

Superintendent Schwarting reviewed the 2015-2016 Budget for final reading. She noted that \$289,389.18 was taken from the Fund Balance in order to balance the Budget and \$1.5 plus million is now left in the Fund Balance. In the event the money taken from the Fund Balance is not needed, it will not be used. The total amount in the General Fund is \$11,553,374.50 and the total Budget is \$14,740,980.26.

Vice Chair Chris Wallace **moved and Trustee Tony Duncan seconded to approve the District's 2015-2016 Budget of \$14,740,980.26 as presented.** The motion passed 5-0.

8. **Monthly Financial Report**

Finance Director Devon Furr presented the Finance Report for May 2015. She noted that overspent items are the same as last month. The ideal percentage is 8% and remaining is 13%. [Board Packet Enclosure]

Mrs. Furr also noted that a Public Hearing regarding the 2015-2016 Budget was held at 5:30 p.m. today (June 15, 2015) and no one showed up.

9. **Visitors' Comments**

None

10. **Executive Session**

Board Chair Kedra Rivers called for a **motion to enter Executive Session.** Trustee Tony Duncan **moved and Trustee John Hiers seconded to enter Executive Session.** The motion carried 5-0.

The purpose for entering executive session was to discuss:

- a. Student Transfer Request(s)
- b. Employment Recommendations

Open session: Trustee Janeth Walker **moved and Trustee Tony Duncan seconded for the Board to come out of Executive Session and return to the regular session of the meeting.** The motion passed 5-0.

A. Student Transfer Requests

Trustee Janeth Walker **moved and Vice Chair Chris Wallace seconded to accept the transfer requests of student #1 and #2 as presented by Superintendent Schwarting.** The motion carried 5-0.

B. Employment Recommendation

Trustee John Hiers **moved and Trustee Janeth Walker seconded to accept the resignation of employee # as presented by Superintendent Schwarting.** The motion carried 5-0.

Vice Chair Chris Wallace **moved and Trustee Janeth Walker seconded to adjourn the meeting.** The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Minutes approved:

Kedra H. Rivers, Board Chair

Tony E. Duncan, Secretary