

**MINUTES**  
**FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**October 23, 2017**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Jerry A. Lee, Chairman  
Mrs. Marie B. Haselden  
Mr. Raymond A. Haselden

Mr. Richard D. Sanders  
Mrs. Faith L. Truesdale  
Mrs. Holly H. Wall

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. John M. Nesmith

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Mr. Randy Smiley, Superintendent  
Mrs. Dayne Coker  
Mrs. Denise Floyd  
Mr. Adam Kennedy

Mrs. Beth Snowden  
Mr. Sam Tuten  
Mr. Randy Willis  
Mrs. Tina Williams

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Ms. Shamira McCray, *NPO News*  
Miss Kaci Willis, FMU Student  
JHS Teacher Cadets

The Board of Trustees of Florence County School District Five met in regular session on Monday, October 23, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office.

1. **Welcome and Call to Order** – Chairman Lee welcomed those present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Confirmation of Notice to Media** – Chairman Lee stated that in accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80(e), the following were notified of this meeting: *Morning News, NPO News, WMBF-TV*, and [www.flo5.k12.sc.us](http://www.flo5.k12.sc.us).
3. **Approval of Agenda** – The Agenda was approved by general consent of the Board.
4. **Public Forum** – No one was present to address the Board in Public Forum.
5. **Consent Agenda** – Chairman Lee reviewed the items of the Consent Agenda, which included Board Minutes for September 25, 2017, regular session and the Monthly Financial Statement for September 2017. All items passed by general consent of the Board.
6. **Regular Agenda**
  - A. **Staff Report Updates:**
    1. Advanc-Ed – Mrs. Snowden explained to the Board a list of six Improvement Priorities that Advanc-Ed gave the District during their 2015 visit which included: 1) Provide system-wide training for all administrative, instructional and instructional support staff in the use of data; 2) Establish and implement systemic professional development plan, including processes for conducting a needs

assessment and evaluation; 3) Utilize data from a clearly defined district-wide comprehensive assessment system to systematically monitor curriculum, instruction and assessment practices; 4) Expand the Advisory Council membership; 5) Explore and define strategies to creatively increase the use of technology for students at all levels; 6) Develop and implement a District Strategic Plan to ensure long-range planning in support of the district's mission and vision. Mrs. Snowden gave a handout that outlined the measures taken to satisfy the Improvement Priorities. Advanc-Ed will have another site visit in 2020.

2. Special Education – Mrs. Snowden discussed the Maintenance of State Fiscal Support Settlement Grant in which funds must be used to augment, not replace, any other funding used to support the State's programs and initiatives for special education and related services totaling \$99,744. The district has utilized the funds by concentrating on suspension rates for students with disabilities and ELA and math assessment performance for grades 3-8.

Mrs. Snowden told the Board that the Adult Education program was going very well with 18 students enrolled.

**B. Superintendent's Report:**

1. Board of Trustee Election – The Board of Trustees' election will be on Tuesday, November 7. Mr. Smiley said that Mrs. Wall is up for re-election unopposed in the At-large Seat 6, and in Single-Member Seat 3, Mr. Lee is running unopposed.
2. Classroom Observations Information and Trends – Mr. Smiley distributed handouts summarizing the purpose and types of classroom observations. He said 107 observations have been conducted since the end of September. Since the district's accreditation visit will be in 2020, the district will gradually move to the same type of observation instrument used by Advanc-Ed.
3. Code of Conduct Revision – Mr. Smiley said schools presently have improper language and behavior disrespect listed as a code three violation, but the policy did not have those behaviors listed. He explained that the revision allows the board to make a very direct statement on what they feel is acceptable and what is not acceptable as far as using those kinds of terms for student interaction. In the revision, Level III violations now include language, behavior, or disrespect which demeans, insults, incites or is inflammatory to others based on ethnic, cultural, gender, or individual differences.
4. Community Eligibility - Mr. Smiley said there was a significant increase in the number of students eating school meals. He said with the increased meal participation and the decrease of overhead cost, food service should stabilize financially. Food Services will have an audit on November 7, 8, and 9.

**7. For Action Agenda**

- A. First Reading Board Policy JICDA-R (Code of Conduct)** – Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mrs. Wall, that the Board give first reading to the revision of Board Policy JICDA-R (Code of Conduct) as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**B. Overnight Field Trip Request(s)** – There were no Overnight Field Trip Request.

**8. Executive Session Agenda**

**A. Personnel Contracts** - Mr. Sanders moved, seconded by Mr. Haselden, that the Board enter the Executive Session Agenda to discuss Superintendent’s Evaluation. The motion carried unanimously, and the Board entered Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.

**9. Reconvene in Open Session with Action if Necessary from Executive Session** – Following Executive Session, Chairman Lee called the meeting to order in Open Session at 8:27 p.m. with no action taken regarding the Superintendent’s Evaluations.

**10. Adjournment** – There being no further business, Mrs. Wall moved, seconded by Mrs. Haselden, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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