BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

These Board Highlights are provided to employees of the School District of Newberry County as an overview of the Board of Education meetings. They are not meant to be actual minutes of the meeting, but rather highlights of the meeting's actions.

Meeting Date: April 26, 2010

Establish Quorum/Approval of Agenda:

A quorum was established with 7 members present, and the agenda for the Board Meeting was approved. Amended the agenda to include Student Issues for executive session.

Executive Session:

The board entered executive session. On return to open session, the meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

Welcome and Recognition of the Media:

Mr. Saylor welcomed visitors and the media.

Action from Executive Session: Accepted the recommendation of the Superintendent to reduce 2 administrative positions for the 2010-2011 school year. Accepted the administrative, teacher and staff recommendation on List A for the 2010-2011 school year as presented by District Administration. Accepted the recommendation of non-renewal of certified professional staff listed on List B for the 2010-2011 school year as presented by District Administration.

Special Recognition: The National Career Development Association poetry and poster contest presented awards to: Luke Dowd, Pomaria/Garmany Elementary, 1st place region and 3rd place state for his poem; Daniel Jordon Huichapa, Gallman Elementary, 2nd place region and 3rd place state for his poster; Joshua Hedgepath, Reuben Elementary, 1st place region and 2nd place state for his poster. In the adult division, Ann Abbott, Gallman Elementary art teacher, won 1st place for her poster and Becky Epperson, Newberry Elementary art teacher, won 2nd place. B.J. Gibbs, Mid-Carolina High, was the upper state champion in 2A wrestling and won 2nd place in the State AA Wrestling Tournament earning a silver medal. Casey Gary, Newberry High, received the National Achievement Scholarship. Coach Donald Addis, Whitmire Community, was named Region 11-A Athletic Director of the Year by SCAAA.

Public Forum: None

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the March 15 board work session, March 22 board meeting, and April 19 board work session were approved.

Action Item:

Policy Revisions - Dr. Downs presented the following policies for first reading: Honors Program Code IHCC, Advanced College Placement IHCD. She also presented the following information on changes in Administrative Rules: Advanced College Placement IHCD-R, Acceleration/Academic Achievement IKE-R, and Graduation Requirements IKF-R. The board approved first reading of these policies.

Strategic Plan - Approved the update of the District Strategic Plan as presented by Dr. Downs.

Staff Reports:

Finance

Cash Flow Report – Ms. Dowd reported a cash flow for 3-31-10 with a balance of \$10.1 ml.

Budget Update – Ms. Dowd gave an update on the budget. Reminded the board of the May 10th Budget Work Session and that First Reading on the budget will be held at the May Board Meeting.

Operations

Construction Update – Mr. Chris Farr presented an update on Little Mountain Elementary. The project is on schedule and the OSF targeted final inspection is scheduled in May. Prosperity-Rikard is progressing according to schedule.

Instruction

Report Cards – Dr. Carol Lenderman and Mr. Howard Snelling made a presentation on the District and Schools Report Cards for 2008-2009.

Adjournment: The Board voted to adjourn at approximately 8:30.