

Superintendent's Board Committee of the Whole Meeting Summary: February 20, 2018

Chair Earl Campbell called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Motion to approve the agenda. Board discussion. Motion to amend the agenda to remove discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements with 2018 8 percent projects vendors (approved as amended).

Moment of silence for the victims of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting. Pledge of Allegiance, invocation.

Referendum Funding – Chief Finance and Operations Officer Tonya Crosby and Brian Nurick (Compass Municipal Advisors) presented on referendum funding and addressed the Board's questions.

E-Rate Application Authorization 2018-2019 – Ms. Crosby presented the district's E-rate application authorization for the 2018-2019 school year and addressed the Board's questions. Motion to authorize the filing of E-rate funding year 2018 (approved).

Grant Resolution 2018-2019 – Ms. Crosby presented the annual grant resolution for the 2018-2019 school year and addressed the Board's questions. Motion to authorize the Superintendent to apply for, sign, submit and administer federal, state, local and foundation grant applications. Board discussion (approved).

Second Quarter Financial Report – Ms. Crosby presented the second quarter financial report and addressed the Board's questions. Motion to accept the second quarter financial report and move it to the consent agenda of the next Board business meeting (approved).

Authorization to Execute Architectural Contracts – 2018 & 2019 Summer 8 Percent Capital Projects – Ms. Crosby and Facilities, Planning and Construction Officer Robert Oetting presented for approval to award a contract to the design firms Jumper Carter Sease and Red Iron Architects. Motion to authorize the execution of contracts to Jumper Carter Sease and Red Iron Architects for professional design services of FY2019 and FY2020 capital improvement projects. Board discussion (approved).

Approval of General Contractors 2018 Summer 8 Percent Capital Projects – Ms. Crosby and Mr. Oetting presented information and requested authorization for approval to award 8 Percent Capital Projects construction contracts. Motion to approve contract awards to M.B. Kahn and Thomas Turner Construction for the completion of FY 2019 (summer of 2018) capital improvement projects. Board discussion (approved).

ACE Transformation – Beaufort/Jasper Academy for Career Excellence Director Michael Lovecchio presented the conceptual direction of ACE and addressed the Board’s questions. Motion for the Beaufort County Board of Education to authorize the next steps as outlined in the High Tech Career Center proposal. Board discussion (approved).

Board Budget Review – Board discussion of the Board’s monthly budget report.

High School Graduations – Superintendent Jeff Moss relayed Battery Creek High School Principal Chad Cox’s request to hold the school’s graduation ceremony at 10 a.m. on Saturday rather than at 7 p.m. on Saturday and addressed the Board’s questions. Board discussion. Motion to allow Battery Creek the flexibility in changing graduation time on Saturday for the 2017-18 school year. Board discussion (approved).

Employee Courtesy – Dr. Moss addressed the Board regarding employee courtesy school choice for the 2018-19 school year. Board discussion. Dr. Moss addressed the Board’s questions.

Public Comments

A community member asked Board members to hold executive sessions prior to Committee of the Whole meetings so that the current 4 p.m. start times could be pushed back; the issuance of a statement from the Board regarding rezoning; and language of the upcoming referendum. A community member spoke regarding the subpoenas from the U.S. Attorney’s Office.

School Safety – Coordinator of Protective Services David Grissom provided an overview of school safety procedures. Mr. Grissom, Dr. Moss and General Counsel Drew Davis addressed the Board’s questions.

Policies – (SCSBA)

Strategic Governance Plan

Board member David Striebinger started a discussion regarding the South Carolina School Boards Association’s contract to review and verify the legality of the Board’s policies. Board discussion. Mr. Davis addressed the Board and answered their questions. The Board decided to move the discussion to its next two-day work session.

Board members JoAnn Orischak and Bill Payne commented on Board actions and public perceptions of the Board.

Review of Performance Expectations – Dr. Moss reminded Board members that they had wanted to develop a Freedom of Information Act PE and asked if they had any other PEs they would like to address. Ms. Orischak requested information on post-secondary plans.

Results Section Template– Dr. Moss presented a template for the results section of the Board’s strategic governance plan and addressed the Board’s questions.

School Board Facilitator –Mr. Davis addressed the Board’s questions and offered to review the Board facilitator’s contract to determine if a motion would be needed to disengage the facilitator’s services.

Motion to adjourn to executive session for discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements for audit of BCSD procurement card purchases. (approved).

Coming out of executive session, motion that the Beaufort County Board of Education authorize the administration to execute a contract in an amount not to exceed \$63,363 with Reed and Associates, CPAs, recommended by the selection committee, to provide P-card auditing services for the fiscal year 2016-2017 (approved).

Motion to adjourn (approved). Meeting adjourned at 8:58p.m.

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