

## **Superintendent's Board Meeting Summary: October 1, 2019**

Chair Christina Gwozdz called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Coming out of executive session, motion to authorize the Beaufort County Board of Education authorize the District's General Counsel to consent to the dismissal of an appeal filed by the Plaintiff in the matter of *Pedro Mendoza v. Beaufort County School District*, Appellate Case No. 2019-000815. (approved). Motion to approve the Personnel Ratification Report from 9/01/2019 - 09 30/2019 (approved). Motion to approve the Adult Education/Home School Report (approved).

Motion to approve the agenda (approved).

Pledge of Allegiance. Moment of silence. Statement of media notification.

**Student Performance:** Robert Smalls International Academy Lead Singers performed "The Original RSIA Seven Habits Song."

### **Public Comment**

Community member spoke regarding school security and using retired military volunteers to assist with school security. Community member and member of the Citizen's Review Committee spoke about equity, achievement gaps and safety. Community member talked about school security. Community member shared that she is having issues with bus transportation. Community member suggested installing metal detectors and employing hall monitors at high schools.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the September 17, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes (approved).

### **Chair's Report**

Dr. Gwozdz shared that the SCSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference will take place in Charleston and that seven delegates are needed. NSBA Conference is in Chicago in April. Board members interested in either conference should email Robyn Cushingberry by the end of day Friday.

### **Committee Reports**

Ad Hoc Results Committee – Chair David Striebinger shared that the committee met on September 30 and is completing the annual evaluation process. The Superintendent's 90-day evaluation executive session needs to be moved to October 30. Motion to hold the Superintendent's 90-day evaluation executive session on October 30 instead of October 22 (approved).

### **Superintendent's Report**

Goal #1 Student Achievement

Superintendent Frank Rodriguez shared an overview of state School Report Cards that were released today by the South Carolina Department of Education.

Director of Protective Services David Grissom presented on school safety and addressed the Board's questions. Motion to direct district administration to pursue using armed security at elementary schools, initially beginning with private firms and then moving to school resource officers employed by local law enforcement agencies. Board discussion. Motion approved.

#### Goal #3 Fiscal Responsibility

Chief Financial Officer Tonya Crosby presented donation procedures and addressed the Board's questions.

#### **Board Business Action**

Motion to approve the School Renewal Plan to bring into compliance. Dr. Rodriguez addressed the Board's questions. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the District Strategic Plan. Board discussion. Motion approved.

#### **Future Agenda Topics**

JoAnn Orischak would like an update on the RFP for the annual P-Card audit, RFP for a grant writer and agreement with TCL. Rachel Wisnefski would like to discuss the reestablishment of a policy committee.

Motion to adjourn (approved). Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

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