

## **Superintendent's Board Meeting Summary: September 15, 2015**

Chairman Bill Evans called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

There was no action coming out of executive session.

Motion to approve the agenda. Amended agenda approved with removal of items 1, 7 and 8 from the consent agenda.

Pledge of Allegiance, invocation by Rev. Rivers.

### **Points of Celebration (as delivered by Superintendent Moss)**

The 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games was held last month in Los Angeles. Over a year of training helped two of our local athletes earn this trip of a lifetime, not to mention bronze, silver and gold medals.

Robert Seignious was one of 10 equestrian athletes on the Special Olympics USA team. He had some tough competition but was able to win a silver medal in Equestrian Working Trails, as well as two fourth-place finishes in Equestrian Dressage and Equitation.

Meghan Witherly, a tennis player from Bluffton, blew away the competition. She battled alongside her doubles partner to win the gold medal and also brought home a bronze medal in singles.

Robert graduated last year from Bluffton High School, and Meghan graduated from Hilton Head High School just over 10 years ago.

Before we bring the students forward, I want to emphasize how special it is – and how proud I am – that Beaufort County is the only district in South Carolina to treat Special Olympics as a sport, allowing our athletes to participate in competitions each year. I'd like to commend Dr. McCord, Brenda Hunt and their team for making this happen.

Now I'd like to ask Bob Lee from Heros on Horseback to do the honor of introducing these two outstanding athletes.

### **Public Conversation**

A community member read a letter voicing his concerns about the recent hiring of the superintendent's wife. Two parents asked the Board to allow their son to transfer to another elementary school. Mr. Evans promised a response.

### **Committee Reports**

ACE: The committee will meet on Thursday. Executive session at 4:45, meeting at 5:30.

Curriculum and Instruction: The committee met September 8 at 4:30 p.m. There are recommendations for approval of PEs. Next meeting is October 13.

Community Outreach: Mr. Campbell requested that Mr. Davis look up legislation related to dropout laws. Mr. Campbell shared dates of upcoming seminars sponsored by the South Carolina School Board

Association: Beyond Basics, October 7; Legislative Preview Webinar, October 15. October 21-23 will be the Risky Business program. October 14 is the annual education conference in Columbia.

Finance and Operations: The committee met September 10 to discuss and approve the referendum timeline. The committee scheduled two meetings to discuss preliminary draft of projects for Board consideration. The dates are October 5 and October 29 at 4:30 p.m. at the district office.

Human Resources: The committee met today to discuss the superintendent's evaluation instrument. Continuing expansion on locality supplement. Next meeting day is in October. Date TBA.

Student Services: The committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The committee's next meeting will be September 22 at 4:30 p.m. at Okatie Elementary.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Drew Davis provided the Board with a legislative update. His update included information on changes to domestic violence laws, the James B. Edwards Civics Education Initiative and school bus driver physicals. He took questions from the Board.

### **Board Business**

No Board Action.

### **New Business**

Ms. Orischak asked that the Board make comments and give feedback on ACE funding beyond June 30, 2016. The next ACE transition committee meeting is September 17 at ACE at 3 p.m.

### **Consent Agenda**

Items number 1, 7, and 8 were removed from the consent agenda. Motion to approve the consent agenda. Approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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