

Superintendent's Board Meeting Summary: July 9, 2019

Chair Christina Gwozdz called the meeting to order at 6:27 p.m.

Coming out of executive session, motion that the Board approve settlement authority in a pending worker's compensation case in the amount of \$46,881.24 (approved). Motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the Monthly Adult Education/Home School Report for June 2019 (approved). Motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendations for employment listed on the June 1-30, 2019 Personnel Ratification Report (approved).

Motion to approve the agenda. Board discussion. Motion approved with the removal of the Ad Hoc Policy Committee report.

Pledge of Allegiance. Moment of silence in honor of Caleb Brown, a student from St. Helena Island Elementary who recently passed away in a vehicle accident.

Public Comment

Community member spoke regarding fiscal responsibility. Community member commented on the upcoming referendum.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the May 28, 2019 Special Called meeting minutes (approved). Motion to approve the June 25, 2019 meeting minutes (approved).

Chair's Report

Dr. Gwozdz welcomed new Superintendent Frank Rodriguez to the school district.

Committee Reports

Academic – Chair Patricia Fidrych provided a brief update from the July 3 committee meeting. General Counsel Wendy Cartledge presented on AR-60.2 - Promising Students Program, a new administrative regulation, and AR IS-60-E – (1) Procedures Governing Alternative Program.

Dr. N'kia Campbell, Director of Academic Initiatives, and KeKe Swinton, Director of Student Services, presented on the alternative school program and addressed the Board's questions. Motion to approve the alternative school plan for 2019-2020 (approved).

Ad Hoc Results Committee – David Striebinger gave a brief update. The Superintendent's 90-day evaluation has been signed, and the committee is now reviewing the goals for the annual evaluation.

Finance Committee – JoAnn Orischak gave an update of the last committee meeting and shared the committee's recommendations. Motion for the Board to approve a procurement card program compliance and controls audit for an RFP. Chief Financial Officer Tonya Crosby addressed the Board's questions. Motion approved. Motion for financial advisers to be

removed from the Procurement Code list of exemptions. Board discussion. Mrs. Crosby addressed the Board's questions. Motion approved. Motion to remove items B (Legislative Consultant) and D (Primary and Reinsurance Coverage) to be removed from the Procurement Code list of Exemptions. Board discussion. Motion approved. Motion for the Board to approve a proposed policy that no contract for the services of attorneys shall be awarded without the approval of the Board. Board discussion. Mrs. Crosby and Mrs. Cartledge addressed the Board's questions. Motion failed.

Superintendent's Report

Goal #1 Student Achievement

Dr. Campbell gave an update on former Islands Academy students and addressed the Board's questions.

Goal #3 Fiscal Responsibility

Ms. Crosby presented April-May purchases and contracts exceeding \$100,000.

Board Business

Frannie Heizer of the Burr Forman McNair Law Firm presented on the FY2021 8% Bond Resolution in the amount of \$19.5 million and addressed the Board's questions. Motion that the Board of Education authorize the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$19.5 million general obligation bonds, in one or more series, in one or more years, of the school district of Beaufort County, South Carolina; fixing the form and details of the bonds; delegating to the Superintendent or his lawfully authorized designee the authority to determine certain matters relating to the bonds; providing for the payment of the bonds and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto (approved). Brian Nurick of Compass Municipal Advisors and Mrs. Heizer addressed the Board's questions.

Donnie Wilson, Vice Chair of SCAGO and CFO of Kershaw County School District gave a brief presentation on SCAGO (South Carolina Association of Governmental Organizations). Motion that the Beaufort County Board of Education authorize the issuance of a not exceeding \$14,050,000 tax anticipation note, series 2019, of the school district of Beaufort County, South Carolina; authorizing the sale of said note to the South Carolina Association of Governmental Organizations pursuant to the terms of its SC TAN program; prescribing the terms and conditions under which the note may be issued; providing for the form of note; providing for the payment thereof; authorizing certain officials of the school district to determine certain matters relating to the note; and other matters relating thereto (approved).

Motion that the Beaufort County Board of Education authorize the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$3.8 million general obligation bonds, in one or more series, in one or more years, with appropriate series designations, including a tax-exempt series and a taxable series, if appropriate, of the school district of Beaufort County, South Carolina; authorizing the South Carolina Association of Governmental Organizations to facilitate the sale of the bonds under its general obligation debt program; prescribing the terms and conditions under which the bonds may be issued; authorizing the Superintendent of the school district to determine certain

matters relating to the bonds; providing for the payment of the bonds and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto (approved).

Motion to rescind the hiring of the White & Story law firm for the purpose of addressing employee grievances. Board discussion. Motion failed.

Public Comment

Community member commented on fiscal responsibility.

Motion to adjourn (approved). Meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

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