

## **Superintendent's Board Meeting Summary: April 21, 2020**

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

Coming out of executive session, motion that the Board authorize the Superintendent to execute the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of the 302 Burroughs Avenue to Holy Trinity Classical Christian School in the amount of \$1,275,000. Board discussion. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the agenda with the inclusion of moving the discussion of the proposed agreement between the district and Beaufort Memorial Hospital regarding temporary use of Beaufort Middle School gymnasium to the regular agenda from Executive Session and approve the agenda as stated and approve the public comments as stated.

Motion to stop Board discussions at 9 p.m., take public comments and then resume Board discussions. Motion approved.

Pledge of Allegiance. Moment of silence in memory of Sam Davis, a BCSD tech support specialist at HHIMS, who recently passed away. Statement of media notification.

### **Public Comment**

Two community members spoke about the Attorney General's opinion regarding an emergency resolution relating to the coronavirus.

### **Chair's Report**

Dr. Gwozdz thanked teachers, administrators and school staff for their dedication during the COVID-19 shutdown. She also thanked parents for their support and encouraged students to keep up the good work.

### **Approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

The April 7, 2020 Board Meeting minutes will be placed on the work session agenda for approval.

### **Committee Reports**

Operations Committee – Chair David Striebinger reported on two administrative regulations being presented to the full Board. General Council Wendy Cartledge briefed the Board on updates to OS-19 School Properties Disposition.

Chief Operations Officer Robert Oetting presented changes to OS-29 Use of School Facilities and addressed the Board's questions. Motion to direct the Superintendent to review AR OS-29 and incorporate the central office for accountability to include financial oversight. Board discussion. Motion failed.

Motion to approve the River Ridge mascot as presented (approved).

Ad Hoc Bluffton Growth Committee – Chair Rachel Wisnefski presented the scope of the Ad Hoc Bluffton Growth Committee and addressed the Board’s questions.

### **Superintendent’s Report**

#### **Goal #1 Student Achievement**

Priority Schools Update – Chief Instructional Services Officer Dr. Mary Stratos presented updates from Hilton Head Island and Whale Branch Middle schools and addressed the Board’s questions.

TSI Schools Update – Dr. Stratos presented updates from the TSI schools and addressed the Board’s questions.

### **Public Comments**

A community member spoke about saving funds and looking ahead.

TSI Schools Update discussion resumed.

#### **Goal #3 Fiscal Responsibility**

Chief Financial Officer Tonya Crosby addressed questions on the monthly transparency report and the monthly \$100K report.

Ms. Crosby provided an update on the 2020-2021 budget and addressed the Board’s questions.

Ms. Cartledge gave the Board details on the agreement with Beaufort Memorial Hospital to use Beaufort Middle School as a temporary field hospital if needed.

Dr. Rodriguez provided a COVID-19 update on online learning and how the district is serving special education and ESOL students. He also presented a new grading scale for each grade level to be used for the fourth quarter. Dr. Rodriguez addressed the Board’s questions.

### **Board Business**

Approval of Start Date Waiver – Dr. Stratos shared a draft letter to the State Board of Education requesting a start date waiver. Motion to waive compliance for the following: Section 59-29-200, Regulation 43-231, Regulation 43-232, Regulation 43-234, Regulation 43-235 and Regulation 43-205. (approved). Move that BCSD request waive compliance for Section 59-1-425(a). (approved). Motion that Beaufort County School District request the State Board of Education to waive compliance for Section 59-5-60(1), 59-24-11, 59-26-10. State Board of Education Regulations 43-62 and Regulation 43-63. (approved).

Approval of P.E. 12.0 FOIA, Quarterly Report – Ms. Cartledge addressed the Board’s questions about the quarterly FOIA report. Motion to accept P.E. 12 FOIA quarterly report for April 2020 (approved).

Board discussion of Emergency Resolution Re: 2019 Novel Coronavirus Response. Board discussion. Dick Geier, who made a motion at the April 7 Board meeting to approve the emergency resolution, made a motion to withdraw his original motion (approved).

Board discussion of committee meetings. Motion to resume committee meetings via Zoom. Board discussion. Motion approved.

Board discussion about changing the April 24-25 work session to May 1-2, 2020. Motion to move the Work Session to May 1-2, 2020. Board discussion. Motion approved.

### **Future Agenda Topics**

Board discussion regarding the list of requested agenda topics.

Motion to adjourn approved at 12:22 a.m.

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