

Chairman Green called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

Devotional and Pledge were led by Mr. Bill Burkhalter.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Moment of silence was taken for those in our District that had seriously ill loved ones or the passing of loved ones.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chairman Green stated if there were no objections the agenda would stand as amended.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 10, 2017; were presented for approval. Mr. Liner MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 10, 2017; SECONDED by Mr. Atchely; MOTION carried on a voted 7-0-2 (Mr. Mace and Mr. West abstained).

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

Aiken County Board of Education was recognized for their dedication and support for the students of Aiken County. The Board read and signed the Ethical Principles as part of Board Recognition Month sponsored by SCSBA.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No items this meeting

OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN

- Dr. Alford will be speaking at First Friday on February 3, 2017.
- Town Hall Meetings scheduled at 6:30 p.m. are as follow:

January 26 at Midland Valley High School

February 6 at South Aiken High School

7 at Aiken High School

16 at Mossy Creek El.

21 at Caledonia Baptist Church (Area 4)
1887 Old 96 Indian Trail
Batesburg-Leesville

23 at Silver Bluff High School

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A-1 HORSE CREEK ACADEMY UPDATE: Dr. Frank Roberson gave an update regarding Horse Creek Academy.
- A-2 RESULTS FROM PROCUREMENT AUDIT: Mr. Traxler gave a brief overview of results from Procurement Audit.
- A-3 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE NORTH AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL 2A & 2B ADDITION PROJECTS: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.
- A-4 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE LEAVELLE MCCAMPBELL MIDDLE SCHOOL PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-5 CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORTS FOR THE AIKEN HIGH SCHOOL PHASE 2 A ADDITION PROJECT: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-6 FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2016: The Board reviewed and accepted the information as presented.

A-7 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: No update this meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS:

B-1 RATIFICATION OF EXPULSIONS: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board ratify the expulsion of students not appealing this action as submitted by Hearing Officer.

B-2 OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board approve the recommendation of the Chief Officer of Administration to release the students from Aiken County to attend the out-of-district schools.

B-3 2016 NEW IRRIGATION SYSTEM @ MIDLAND VALLEY HIGH FOOTBALL FIELD: Superintendent Alford recommended the Board authorize the administration to accept the bid and enter into a contract with Budget Sprinkler & Landscaping in the amount of \$40,900.00 for the New Irrigation System @ Midland Valley High Football Field.

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- C-3 CHANGES TO POLICY GCB PROFESSIONAL STAFF CONTRACTS AND COMPENSATION – FINAL READING: Mrs. English MOVED to adopt the proposed changes to Policy GCB on final reading; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-4 CHANGES TO POLICY GDC SUPPORT STAFF LEAVES AND ABSENCES – FINAL READING: Mr. Liner MOVED to adopt the proposed changes to Policy GDC on final reading; SECONDED by Mrs. English; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C-5 CALENDAR REVISION TO MAKE-UP SCHOOL DAYS LOST DUE TO HURRICANE MATTHEW: Mrs. English MOVED to approve February 20 and March 17 as the two remaining make-up days for weather-related school closings; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS:

Chairman Green discussed revisiting Board Sub Committees. Current committees are as follow:

Facilities: Mr. Green, Mr. Barber and Mr. Liner

Discipline:

Advocacy & Legislative: Mrs. English and Mr. Liner

Communications:

One Cent Sales Tax:

Salary Study:

Mr. Hightower was called away from the meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

DISCIPLINE UPDATE: Mr. Johnny Spears gave an update regarding Discipline.

Chairman Green announced the Board will need to go into executive session for the purpose of considering the following matters in such order as the Board may choose: Appeals: Out-of-District Transfer Appeal (Area 1); student appeal from Area 1; and Brief Verbal Legal Update: two litigation matters and one legal claim.

Mrs. English MOVED to enter Executive Session for the purpose as stated; SECONDED by Mr. Atchley; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The regular session recessed at 8:32 p.m.

Executive session convened at 8:38 p.m.

Regular session resumed at 9:32 p.m.

Chairman Green announced while in executive session the Board considered, or received information concerning, the following matters: Appeals: Out-of-District Transfer Appeal (Area 1); student appeal from Area 1; and Brief Verbal Legal Update: two litigation matters and one legal claim.

CONTRACTUAL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

LEGAL BRIEFINGS:

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PERSONNEL ISSUES:

No items this meeting.

OFFICE OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:

No items this meeting.

APPEALS:

- a. OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER (AREA 1): The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a student regarding Out-of-District Transfer. Mrs. English MOVED to allow the student to enroll in Aiken County Public Schools for the 2017-2018 school year. Also included in the motion, administration will work with parent regarding tuition; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- b. STUDENT APPEAL (AREA 1): The Board heard an appeal from the parent of a student in Area 1. Mrs. English MOVED to allow the student to enroll in Aiken County Virtual Academy for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year in lieu of expulsion; SECONDED by Mr. Liner; MOTION carried on a vote of 5-3 (Mr. Atchley, Mr. Barber and Mr. Samaha opposed).

Mrs. English MOVED to adjourn the meeting; SECONDED by Mr. Mace; MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Submitted by: Vicky Durden

APPROVED: February 14, 2017