

HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES – Board Meeting
District Office
August 10, 2010

The following persons were present:

Board Members:	David Cox	MaryEllen Greene	Kay Loftus
	Joe DeFeo	Trent Hardee	Paul Peterson
	Harvey Eisner	Paul Hudson	John Poston
	Will Garland	Neil James	Pam Timms

Superintendent Cindy Elsberry

District Office Staff:	Sandy Barfield	Ed Curlee	Mollie Laut
	David Bell	Wanda Fulwood	H.T. Lee
	Edward Boyd	Kenny Generette	Rick Maxey
	James Bradley	Buddy George	Gail Moss
	Teal Britton	Ben Hardee	Bobby Nalley
	Dottie Brown	Barbara Harrelson	Brian Roessler
	Carolyn Chestnut	Paul Hickman	
	Edi Cox	Bill Latham	

Media: Heather Gale, Horry Independent

Board Candidates: Johnny Evans

Meeting Notification: As required by SC Law §30-4-80, all local news media were informed of the date, time, and purpose of this meeting, and copies of the agenda were posted at the district office. Agenda copies were also distributed to all schools for posting.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. Mr. Hardee offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA/MINUTES

ACTION: Upon motion by Mr. James, second by Mr. Hudson, the Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

ACTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Greene, second by Mrs. Loftus, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the following meetings:

- ***June 7, 2010***
- ***June 21, 2010***
- ***July 6, 2010***

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

INFORMATION

Board Member School Visits – It was reported that Board members visited 86% of the schools in their individual districts during the 2009-10 school year.

SCSBA Update – Mrs. Greene reminded Board members that the next SCSBA event is the School Law Conference, which is scheduled for August 20-21.

Superintendent's Report

- Edward Boyd presented a report on the recently received AYP report for the district.
- Carolyn Chestnut reported on the July 19 opening day for Daisy Elementary School.
- Ed Curlee reported on the status of staffing for the district. As of this date, 33 teacher vacancies remain. Additionally, he reported on the status of at-will employees in the district and he stated that 35 at-will employees have been invited to serve as substitutes.
- Kenny Generette presented a status report on charter schools.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ACTION: At 6:32 p.m., upon motion by Mrs. Greene, second by Mr. Hudson, the Board reconvened in Executive Session for the discussion of Bridgewater Academy Charter School's contract and the Palmetto Academy of Learning and Success Charter School Contract.

OPEN SESSION

ACTION: At 7:34 p.m., upon motion by Mrs. Loftus, second by Mr. Hudson, the Board reconvened in Open Session.

BUSINESS

Consideration of Material Change in Bridgewater Academy Charter School

ACTION: Mr. Eisner moved that the Board approve the request of Bridgewater Academy to modify its contract to allow the students of Bridgewater Academy to be served temporarily at an alternative site beginning August 2010 through December 31, 2010, while a permanent facility is secured. This approval is contingent on approval by the South Carolina Office of School Facilities of the alternative site at 2901 Fantasy Way in Myrtle Beach and the receipt of existence of a certificate of occupancy for the use of the site for Bridgewater Academy's programs. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Greene and was unanimously approved.

ACTION: Mr. James moved that the Board approve an amendment to the Bridgewater Academy charter contract in regards to ADEPT in the following manner: that "Bridgewater Academy will ensure the fidelity of the implementation of the ADEPT system and be responsible for performing the required ADEPT evaluations; and in regards to teacher evaluations, the District will, at a minimum, fulfill its responsibilities as a local school division as outlined in all applicable laws, statutes, and regulations. The submission of any information regarding the ADEPT process on behalf of Bridgewater Academy does not imply any review by the District or certification to the State Department of Education as to Bridgewater Academy's compliance with the requirements of the ADEPT evaluations. In the event a legal alternative means of submitting ADEPT information is established, the District shall discontinue the service upon reasonable notice to Bridgewater Academy and relinquish this responsibility to the representative of Bridgewater Academy. Changes in submission responsibilities shall not be considered a material change to this Charter. Further, any decision by Bridgewater Academy to discontinue the use of ADEPT shall not be considered a material change to this Charter." The motion was seconded by Mr. DeFeo and was unanimously approved.

Consideration of Sale of 9th Avenue Property

ACTION: Upon motion by Mr. DeFeo, second by Ms. Timms, the Board unanimously approved accepting the City of Conway's offer of \$225,000 for the Ninth Avenue property.

Aynor Area and Socastee Area Advisory Board Member Nominations

ACTION: Upon motion by Ms. Timms, second by Mrs. Loftus, the Board unanimously approved the appointment of Renee Mencken to the Socastee Area Advisory Board.

ACTION: Upon motion by Mr. Hardee, second by Ms. Timms, the Board unanimously approved the appointments of Diane Bagnal and Dana Lewis to the Aynor Area Advisory Board.

Personnel Recommendations Required by Law

ACTION: Upon motion by Mr. DeFeo, second by Mrs. Loftus, the Board unanimously approved the personnel recommendations as presented.

DEBRIEFING

Board members agreed that they adhered to the principles of Coherent Governance during the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: At 7:43 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Hardee, second by Mrs. Loftus, the meeting was adjourned.

Wanda J. Fulwood
Exec. Asst. to the Board and Superintendent

Approved: August 23, 2010