

## LATTA SCHOOL BOARD

### Minutes

March 8, 2011

The Latta School Board of Trustees met for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Latta Elementary School Library. Notices of the meeting were duly exercised and published per school board policy.

Trustees present were: Kyle Berry, Edward Bethea, Linda James, Betty Jo Johnson, Kenneth Kitts and Eddie Watson.

Chair Betty Jo Johnson called the meeting to order and Dr. Kirby opened with prayer.

Dr. Kirby conducted the election of Board Officers. A motion was made by Kenneth Kitts and seconded by Eddie Watson to keep the same slate of officers that are now serving. They are as follows: Betty Jo Johnson, Chair; Edward Bethea, Vice-Chair and Kyle Berry, Secretary. Vote was unanimous.

Chair Johnson welcomed all present.

Chair Johnson read a letter of resignation from Board member Donald MacPherson who was resigning due to health issues. On behalf of the Board, Chair Johnson accepted his resignation and expressed her appreciation for Mr. MacPherson's service on the Board.

There being no addition or corrections to the February 8, 2011 minutes, Chair Johnson ruled that they stand approved.

Board Attorney LaFon LeGette reviewed the non-vital properties that the Board was going to transfer to the Latta Schools Education Foundation, Inc. The Board then officially deeded these properties to the Latta Schools Education Foundation, Inc.

Dr. Kirby shared with the Board the time line for the construction of the auditorium which will be located at the Latta Middle School gym site.

Donna Taylor presented a status report on the General Fund budget. The Board also received copies of the final audit report. (Report attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Latta Elementary Principal Debra Morris distributed a handout of the activities and programs at the school for the 2010-11 school year. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Stephanie Johnson highlighted areas of the Professional Growth Plan that the teachers at the Latta Elementary School were participating in. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Larry Legette gave a facilities update.

Betty Jo Johnson reported on the sessions that she attended at the 2011 South Carolina School Boards Annual Convention. The convention was February 25-27 at the Embassy Suites, Kingston Plantation at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

A motion was made by Eddie Watson and seconded by Kyle Berry to accept the resignation of Deloris Elliott who will be retiring at the end of the current school year. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Kenneth Kitts and seconded by Eddie Watson to accept the para-professional staff for the 2011-2012 school year as recommended by Dr. Kirby and the administrative staff. Vote was unanimous. (Listing attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Hearing no objections, the Chair moved the Extra Duty Recommendations to Executive Session.

A motion was made by Edward Bethea and seconded by Kenneth Kitts to accept as first reading and to waive seconded reading of policy DJ-R. Vote was unanimous. (Policy attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Upon the recommendation of the administration, a motion was made by Eddie Watson and seconded by Kenneth Kitts to approve the make up of one snow day and to forgive the other 2 snow days for student attendance. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to go into executive session to discuss the extra duty recommendation contracts was made by Edward Bethea and seconded by Kenneth Kitts. Vote was unanimous.

After discussion, the Board agreed to continue the executive session on March 10, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. at the District Office Board Room.

Trustees present at the continuation of the executive session on March 10 were: Kyle Berry, Edward Bethea, Linda James and Betty Jo Johnson. Kenneth Kitts and Eddie Watson were absent.

Reconvening from executive session, a motion was made by Kyle Berry and seconded by Edward Bethea to accept the extra duty recommendation contracts as presented. Vote was unanimous.

Meeting was adjourned.

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Betty Jo Johnson, Chair

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W. Kyle Berry, Secretary