

LATTA SCHOOL BOARD
Minutes
October 9, 2018

(Minutes submitted are unofficial until approved at the next month's regular monthly meeting.)

The Latta School Board of Trustees met for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Administrative Conference Room. In accordance with S.C. Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80(E). *The Dillon Herald* was notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting. The agenda is also posted in the District Office and on the district website.

Trustees present were Kyle Berry, Ray George, Vanessa Harrison, Kwame Hennagan, Stuart Poston, Eleanor Powers and JoAnn Williamson.

Chair Kyle Berry welcomed all present and Dr. John Kirby opened with prayer.

Wade Brown was recognized as Teacher of the Year for the district.

There being no corrections or additions to the August 14, 2018 minutes and the current agenda, Chair Kyle Berry ruled that they stand approved.

OLD BUSINESS

None

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

Donna Taylor presented the status reports for July 2018 and August 2018 on the General Fund budget. (Reports attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Donna Taylor updated the Board on the School Resource Officer Grant.

An annual update of all federal programs was given by George Liebenrood.

George Liebenrood presented state test scores. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Larry Legette gave an update on damage to school property from Hurricane Florence and the school activity bus.

Eleanor Powers shared the Ellis Performing Arts Center upcoming events with the Board. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Dr. Kirby gave an update on the Latta Elementary School Trail.

Dr. Kirby discussed nominating a delegate to the South Carolina School Board Association's 2018 Delegate Assembly.

Dr. Kirby gave an update on applying for a safety grant.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Stuart Poston to approve first reading and waive second reading of the following policies:

- AC Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity
- EBCB Safety Drills
- GBA Open Hiring/Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action
- GCE Professional Staff Recruitment
- GCEC Posting and Advertising Professional Vacancies
- GCF Professional Staff Hiring
- GCO Evaluation of Administrative Staff
- GCO-R Evaluation of Administrative Staff
- GDF Support Staff Hiring
- IHAE Physical Education
- IHAM Health Education
- IHBA Special Education/Programs for Students with Disabilities
- IKA-R Grading/Assessment Systems
- IKADD Content and Credit Recovery
- IKADD-R Content and Credit Recovery
- IKF Graduation Requirements
- IKF-R Graduation Requirements
- IKFC Employability Credential
- IKFC-R Employability Credential
- JHCB Released Time For Religious Instruction
- JLDBB-R Suicide Prevention, Intervention and Postvention
- JRA-E Opt-Out Information For Parents/Legal Guardians Of All Students In Grades Nine through Twelve

JoAnne Williamson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. (Policies attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Dr. Kirby discussed Policy GCC Staff Leave and Absences with the Board.

A motion was made by JoAnn Williamson and seconded by Eleanor Powers to forgive three school days and make-up three school days that were missed due to weather. Days will be made up in June. Vote was unanimous. (Calendars attached becoming part of the minutes.)

CITIZEN INPUT ON ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST TO SCHOOLS:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel legal matters was made by Kwame Hennagan and seconded by JoAnn Williamson. Vote was unanimous.

FORMAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon coming out of executive session of discussion of personnel legal matters, the Board voted on two motions.

A motion by Eleanor Powers seconded by JoAnn Williamson was made to accept a ruling that the district had a non-deliberate and an unintentional technical violation in its established Board policy contract process versus an unknown S.C. Ethics Commission procedure. The conflict with such was corrected in the fall of 2017. Vote was unanimous.

In the other action on a motion by Ray George seconded by Stuart Poston the Board pursuant to S.C. Section 59-17-110 approved the payment or reimbursement of reasonable and customary legal fees on behalf of Employee "A" regarding a State Board of Education matter that arose from acts done in good faith performance of Employee "A's" duties as discussed in executive session and that the legal fees be reviewed as they arise by the chair in consultation with the Board legal counsel, Halligan, Mahoney and Williams. Vote was unanimous.

There being no further business, Chair Kyle Berry adjourned the meeting at 9:00.

Kyle Berry, Chair
JMK:sg

Vanessa Harrison, Secretary

