

LATTA SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes

June 11, 2019

(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, June 11, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Latta Elementary School library. 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 Ray George, Vanessa Harrison, Kwame Hennagan, Eleanor Powers and JoAnn Williamson. Kyle Berry and Stuart Poston were absent.

Eleanor Powers welcomed all present and Dr. John Kirby opened with prayer.

George Liebenrood announced the school honor roll teachers of the year. Nan Carmichael was recognized as the Latta High School Teacher of the Year.

Ray George made a motion to approve the May 14, 2019 minutes and to amend the current agenda to tour the nature trail before the departmental business and to add travel reimbursement rates under New Business. JoAnn Williamson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Amanda Morrell took the Board on a tour of the nature trail.

OLD BUSINESS

None

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

Donna Taylor presented the status report for April 2019 on the General Fund budget. (Report attached becoming part of the minutes.)

A motion was made by JoAnn Williamson and seconded by Kwame Hennagan to approve the 2019-2020 school year general operations budget as second reading as presented by Donna Taylor. Vote was unanimous. (Budget attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Ray George made a motion to approve Dr. John Kirby's plan for use of county funds for the Latta Middle School safety issues, HVAC upgrade, technology phase one project and the roof project. Vanessa Harrison seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

George Liebenrood gave an update on end of course test results.

An update on the third grade reading program was given by Dollie Morrell.

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Sandy Jones gave an update on the special education summer program at Latta Elementary School.

An update on the Latta Middle School mentor program was given by Debra Morris.

Dollie Morrell gave an update on the activities and events for the 2018-2019 school year at Latta Elementary School. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

An update on the Latta Middle School and Latta High School roof and HVAC project was given by Larry Legette.

Robert McIntyre gave an update on the Latta Middle School and Latta High School technology project.

Dr. John Kirby gave a state budget update.

Eleanor Powers shared the Ellis Performing Arts Center upcoming events with the Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upon the principals' recommendations, a motion to approve the hiring of new staff and the resignations of current staff was made by Kwame Hennegan and seconded by Vanessa Harrison. Vote was unanimous.

Ray George made a motion to approve the expense for meal reimbursements increased by the state to thirty-five dollars for in state and fifty dollars for out of state. JoAnne Williamson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

CITIZEN INPUT ON ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST TO SCHOOLS:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

FORMAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

There being no further business, Eleanor Powers adjourned the meeting at 7:45.

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Kyle Berry, Chair
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Vanessa Harrison, Secretary