

LATTA SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes

February 11, 2020

(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, February 11, 2020 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.

There being no corrections or additions to the January 14, 2020 minutes, Chair Kyle Berry asked to approve the minutes and amend the current agenda to include academic challenge overnight travel under departmental business. Vote was unanimous to do so.

OLD BUSINESS

None

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

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

A state budget update was given by Donna Taylor.

George Liebenrood gave a preliminary accreditation update.

Larry Legette updated the Board on baseball lights and the Latta Elementary School HVAC status.

Dr. John Kirby reminded Board Members to complete the Ethic Form by deadline of March 30, 2020.

Football Schedules for school year 2020 were given to Board Members.

The superintendent goals for the 2020-2021 school year were presented by Dr. John Kirby.

Dr. John Kirby reviewed the preliminary 2020-2021 school year calendar.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Eleanor Powers made a motion to waive first reading and approve second reading of the revision of Policy GDBC-R Support Staff Supplementary Pay/Overtime. Stuart Poston seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

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

The results of the Superintendent's Evaluation forms were presented by Dr. John Kirby.

Stuart Poston made a motion to make an exception for the middle school academic challenge members and preapproval for the high school academic challenge members to ride with parents to and from the state academic challenge tournament instead of using school transportation. Vanessa Harrison seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

CITIZEN INPUT ON ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST TO SCHOOLS:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by JoAnn Williamson with second by Stuart Poston to go into executive session to discuss a personnel contract matter and the superintendent's contract. Vote was unanimous.

FORMAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon coming back into open session, a motion was made by Kwame Hennagan with second by Joann Williamson to accept a recommendation to fill administrative vacancies for school year 2020-2021. Vote was unanimous.

And a motion was made by Eleanor Powers with a second by JoAnn Williamson to extend the superintendent's contract through June 30, 2023. Vote was unanimous.

There being no further business, Chair Kyle Berry adjourned the meeting with unanimous consent at 7:30.

Kyle Berry, Chair
JMK:sg

Vanessa Harrison, Secretary