

LATTA SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes

January 11, 2022

(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, January 11, 2022 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 Jo Ann Williamson.

Chair Kyle Berry welcomed all present and George Liebenrood opened with prayer.

Jodie Branham recognized Sophia McLain Roberts for her achievement of excellence in being selected to attend the South Carolina Music Educators Association All-State Chorus Clinic at Winthrop University.

There being no corrections or additions to the November 2, 2021 and November 9, 2021 minutes and the current agenda, Eleanor Powers made a motion that they stand approved. Stuart Poston seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS

George Liebenrood gave an update on Covid protocol.

Jo Ann Williamson made a motion to adopt a change in Covid protocol for staff who have a household contact and are not fully vaccinated. The staff member must quarantine for 10 days and then return and wear a mask for another 5 days. Students who have a household contact must quarantine for 15 days. Stuart Poston seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Chair Kyle Berry ruled that the discussion on Policy JBAB will take place at the February Board meeting.

An update on the Latta Elementary and Latta High School construction was given by George Liebenrood.

George Liebenrood reviewed the safe return to in-person instruction plan with the Board and asked for input. (Plan attached becoming part of the minutes.)

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

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Donna Taylor presented the status reports for October 2021 and November 2021 on the General Fund budget. (Reports attached becoming part of the minutes.)

George Liebenrood updated the Board on covid cleaning, school grounds, Ellis Performing Arts auditorium floors and bus drivers.

George Liebenrood reviewed the Superintendent's goals with the Board.

George Liebenrood gave a personnel update.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ray George made a motion to approve the Town of Latta to use the Latta High School gym on Saturdays. Jo Ann Williamson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

George Liebenrood updated the Board on a new teacher contract.

Upon the principals' recommendations, a motion to approve the professional and paraprofessional contracts as presented for the 2022-2023 school year was made by Eleanor Powers and seconded by Stuart Poston. Vote was unanimous. (Listing of recommendations attached becoming part of the minutes.)

In observance of School Board Recognition Month, each Board Member was presented a gift certificate to Shuler's BBQ.

CITIZEN INPUT ON ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST TO SCHOOLS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

FORMAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 6:32 p.m. was made by Stuart Poston and seconded by Jo Ann Williamson. Vote was unanimous.

Kyle Berry, Chair
GHL:sr

Vanessa Harrison, Secretary

