

LATTA SCHOOL BOARD
Minutes
November 9, 2021

(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, November 9, 2021 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, Eleanor Powers and Jo Ann Williamson. Stuart Poston was absent.

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

There being no corrections or additions to the September 14, 2021 minutes, Vanessa Harrison made a motion to approve the minutes and amend the current agenda to move audit review/report under departmental business to first order of business prior to old business. Kwame Hennagan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Auditor Stacey Moree from Harper, Poston & Moree, P.A. presented the audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. (Audit report attached becoming part of the minutes.)

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. John Kirby updated the Board on Covid-19 protocol changes.

A Latta Middle School and Latta High School construction plan update was given by Dr. John Kirby. (Handout becoming part of the minutes.)

Eleanor Powers made a motion to approve second reading of the following policies:

- EBCB Safety Drills
- IHAC Social Studies Program
- IKA-R Grading/Assessment Systems
- IKF-R Graduation Requirements
- JICDA-R Code of Conduct

Kwame Hennagan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. (Policies attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Kwame Hennagan made a motion to approve first reading of the amended policy JBAB-Student Gender and Orientation. Jo Ann Williamson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. (Policies attached becoming part of the minutes.)

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

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

An update on the Covid-19 merit based pay was given by Donna Taylor.

George Liebenrood presented the 45 day demographic report.

Larry Legette updated the Board on the new Latta Middle School entrance and transportation.

Dr. John Kirby thanked Board members for attending the delegation drop-in.

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 model school procurement code policy. Vanessa Harrison seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. (Policy attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Dr. Kirby updated the Board on our current BEDH policy. (Policy attached becoming part of the minutes.)

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

A motion to approve the varsity girls' basketball team to participate in an out of state basketball tournament which requires an overnight stay was made by Jo Ann Williamson and seconded by Eleanor Powers. Vote was unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board went into executive session to discuss personnel contracts.

FORMAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon exiting executive session, no action was taken.

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There being no further business, Chair Kyle Berry adjourned the meeting with unanimous consent at 8:30 p.m.

Kyle Berry, Chair
JMK:sg

Vanessa Harrison, Secretary