

LATTA SCHOOL BOARD
Minutes
September 14, 2010

The Latta School Board of Trustees met for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the District Administration Conference Room. Notices of the meeting were duly exercised and published per school board policy.

Trustees present were: Kyle Berry, Edward Bethea, Linda James, Betty Jo Johnson and Kenneth Kitts. Donald MacPherson and Eddie Watson were absent.

Chair Betty Jo Johnson welcomed all present and Dr. Kirby opened with prayer.

Laura H. Gasque was recognized as Teacher of the Year for the district. Ms. Gasque will receive a \$1,000 bonus from the state.

There being no additions or corrections to the August 10, 2010 minutes, Chair Johnson ruled that they stand approved.

Dr. Kirby gave a general overview update of the new Latta Early Childhood Center site.

Approval was given to the Superintendent to sign and accept agreements on behalf of the Board in regards to easements involving the new Latta Early Childhood site and Merle Cox family, Town of Latta, Progress Energy and Grand Strand Water and Sewer pending finalization of all details favorable for the district as recommend by the district's attorney.

Dr. Kirby presented the proposed phases of the renovations in the district and Danny Shelley of James, DuRant, Matthews & Shelley, Inc. showed the Board the plans for phase one of these renovations.

A motion was made by Edward Bethea and seconded by Kyle Berry to accept the plans for phase one of the renovations, accept the major financial donation toward these plans and to continue with the HVAC venting using maintenance monies. Vote was unanimous.

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

Esther Rogers presented the Annual Update of Federal Programs for school year 2010-2011. Due to local budget cuts, a motion was made by Kyle Berry and seconded by Kenneth Kitts to approve the moving of salaries from local to federal funds in Title I Stimulus. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Ms. Rogers also presented the ACT and SAT scores.

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Robert McIntyre reported on the initial student attendance for school year 2010-2011.

Larry Legette gave an update on the district facilities.

Betty Jo Johnson was nominated by Edward Bethea to be the delegate to the South Carolina School Board Association's 2010 Delegate Assembly December 3-5, 2010 at Hilton Head, S.C. Motion was seconded by Kenneth Kitts and vote was unanimous.

Motion was made by Edward Bethea and seconded by Kenneth Kitts to accept as first reading and waive second reading of the following policies: GBEBDA, GBEBB, GBEBB-R, GCF, GCFB, GCG, CDF, IJOA, IJOB/IJOC, JLF, JH, JRA-R, IJNDAA-R

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Kyle Berry and seconded by Kenneth Kitts. Vote was unanimous.

Betty Jo Johnson, Chair

W. Kyle Berry, Secretary

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