

LATTA SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes

June 8, 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, June 8, 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, Vanessa Harrison, Kwame Hennagan, Stuart Poston, Eleanor Powers and Jo Ann Williamson. Ray George was absent.

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

There being no corrections or additions to the May 17, 2021 minutes and the current agenda, Eleanor Powers ruled that they stand approved.

OLD BUSINESS

None

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

Donna Taylor presented the status report for April 2021 on the General Fund budget. (Report attached becoming part of the minutes.)

A motion was made by Stuart Poston and seconded by Kwame Hennagan to approve second reading of the 2021-2022 General Fund budget. Vote was unanimous. (Budget attached becoming part of the minutes.)

George Liebenrood updated the Board on the return to in-person instruction and continuity of services plan. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

An update on the Latta High School career assessments and international baccalaureate program was given by Nan Carmichael.

Kwame Hennagan made a motion to approve the merit based compensation plan. Jo Ann Williamson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Stuart Poston and seconded by Eleanor Powers to approve the complete ESSER funding plan. Vote was unanimous.

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Eleanor Powers made a motion to approve that the district provide virtual learning for all students. Jo Ann Williamson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Eleanor Powers updated the Board on the summer recovery camp for the academics through S.T.E.A.M.

NEW BUSINESS:

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

CITIZEN INPUT ON ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST TO SCHOOLS:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board went into executive session to discuss a personnel contract.

FORMAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION:

In action as a result of executive session, the Trustees unanimously agreed to accept the retirement resignation of Superintendent John Kirby effective December 31, 2021. The Trustees also appointed Chair Kyle Berry to negotiate any contract amendment needed on their behalf.

There being no further business, Chair Kyle Berry adjourned the meeting with unanimous consent at 8:00 .

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Kyle Berry, Chair  
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Vanessa Harrison, Secretary