

Board Briefings
AN ABBREVIATED BOARD ACTION REPORT,
PREPARED BY RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE'S
OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

WEDNESDAY A.M., Dec. 15, 2004—Richland One's school board, meeting last night, elected officers for 2005. Dr. Jasper Salmond was elected chairman. Lane Quinn was re-elected vice chairman, and Jeanette McBride was elected secretary-treasurer. They will assume office Jan. 1.

Two policies were approved by the board for second reading. JFB, School Choice, and JFABC, Student Assignments and Transfers, are both available on the district's Web site, www.richlandone.org

The board approved an increase in adult meal prices, effective Jan. 4, based upon a review by the State Department of Education. Adult breakfast will be \$1.50, and adult lunch will be \$2.75.

A report was presented on the 2004 Report Card ratings, which show that 15 schools met the criteria for Palmetto Gold or Silver Awards. In the Improvement Rating, 21 schools improved; eight improved in the Absolute Rating. Sixty-eight schools received ratings of Average or better. Ninety-three percent maintained or elevated their Absolute Ratings., while only 85% of South Carolina schools did.

The current custodial contract at Crayton Middle, Olympia School Campus and Southeast Middle School was terminated. A Request for Proposal will be issued for a new contractor.

The board approved the sale of the McCants School property, with contingencies. Changes to the Master Course Catalog were approved. A unit price contract for bulk purchase of Marvair Scholar HVAC units was awarded to Marvair/The Cannon Co. The early site fence package at Dreher High School was awarded to Penn Contracting, LLC.

Contracts to furnish and install an energy management control system were awarded to Harris Sales & Services and Control Management, Inc.

The board's next regularly scheduled meeting will be Jan. 11, 7 p.m., Stevenson Administration Building, 1616 Richland St.

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