

Board Briefings

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School Board Spotlight

The Board recognized Lower Richland teacher Twanda Addison. Ms. Addison is the 2008-09 South Carolina Health Science Technology Educators Teacher of the Year and the 2008-09 South Carolina Association of Career and Technical Education Teacher of the Year.

Consent Agenda

The Board approved the following items:

- Minutes of the September 9 meeting
- August financials
- Hiring of personnel
- A leave-of-absence request
- Contract renewals for City Year and Columbia Area Mental Health

Office of Academics

Regina Rawlinson, coordinator of guidance services, presented an update on the district's college fair. The event will be held on Thursday, November 13 at the Carolina Coliseum. Approximately 150 colleges, universities, military and agency representatives will participate. Around 3,000 Richland One 11th- and 12th-grade students will attend.

Thelma Clavon, director of the Challenger Learning Center, presented an update on the center. The center serviced more than 13,000 students (9,000 from Richland One and 4,000 from other districts) in 2007-08. The center was featured in the Columbia Visitor's Guide as one of the "40 Best Ways to Spend Your Day."

Office of Operations

The Board approved the following items:

- Fuel purchases for the district-wide bus fleet
- The 2008-2009 special revenue projects budget
- The capital projects budget for 2009

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of School Commissioners will be held Tuesday, October 14 in Room 102 of the Stevenson Administration Building. Open session begins at 7 p.m.