

Board Briefings

March 27, 2007 • Burton-Pack Elementary School
an abbreviated school board action report prepared by the Office of Communications

School Board Spotlight

- The Board recognized Marilyn Davis, executive director of special education, who was named the South Carolina CASE (Council of Administrators of Special Education) Administrator of the Year.
- Dr. Denise Collier and Burton-Pack Elementary were honored as the South Carolina Air National Guard Employer of the Year.

Consent Agenda

The Board approved the following items:

- February financials
- Contract extensions for instructional supplies district-wide and custodial supplies for Warehouse Services

Office of the Board

- The Board heard two student expulsion appeals and voted to uphold the decisions of the Hearing Office.
- The Board approved a recommendation from the Ad Hoc Committee on Naming Facilities to name the Hopkins Middle School Auditorium in honor of the late Ulysses R. Barber, a longtime educator and leader in the Lower Richland community. Barber was inducted into the Richland One Hall of Fame in 2006. The auditorium will be called the U.R. Barber Auditorium.
- The Board gave first-reading approval to the 2008-09 academic calendar. The proposed calendar will be disseminated to district employees for feedback prior to the second reading.

Office of Academics

- Chovan Jennings, curriculum coordinator, presented information on the district's 2007 summer academic and enrichment programs.
- Dr. Ora Watson, executive director for secondary education, reported that four seniors in the International Baccalaureate Program at Lower Richland High School will travel to London, Madrid and Paris during Spring Break.
- The Board approved a recommendation from a district committee to adopt instructional materials for the business and marketing technology education programs for the 2007-08 school year.

Office of Human Resources

The Board approved several contract renewals/non-renewals/terminations.

Office of Operations

The Board approved the following items:

- A continuing resolution to allow the district to encumber funds and plan for the 2007-08 school year
- Contracts for HVAC renovations at Horrell Hill, Sandel, Rosewood, Rhame, South Kilbourne and E.E. Taylor elementary schools; a contract to provide band uniforms for Dreher High (Richland One's high-school band uniforms are replaced on a seven-year cycle); and a contract for window replacement at A.C. Flora, Columbia High and Brockman Elementary

The next meeting of the Board of School Commissioners will be held Thursday, April 5 at the Stevenson Administration Building. Open session begins at 7 p.m..