

Board Briefings

*May 9, 2006 • Dreher High School
an abbreviated board action report prepared by the Office of Communications*

Spotlight

The board recognized the following groups and individuals:

- Winners from the Visual Literacy Festival
- The High School Bowl championship team from Dreher High School
- The Dreher High US Academic Decathlon state championship team
- State winners from the Dreher High School drama department
- Hand Middle School, recently named an Exemplary Writing School by the state and the Writing Improvement Network

Consent Agenda

The board approved the following items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes from the 4/25/06 meeting
- Hiring of personnel, approval of sabbaticals and leaves-of absence
- Approval of a contract extension for PC replacement

Administrative Appointments

The board made the following appointments for 2006-07:

- Deborah R. Mathews, superintendent of Dorchester District 4, will be the district's chief education officer.
- Goler Collins III, who is an assistant principal at E.L. Wright Middle School in Richland 2, will be principal at Hopkins Middle School.
- Susan Childs, an assistant principal at Crayton Middle School, will be principal at Crayton.
- Dr. Richard McClure, principal of James F. Byrnes High School in Spartanburg 5, will be principal at A.C. Flora High.
- Marvin Byers, principal of Edisto High School in Orangeburg 4, will be principal at Lower Richland High School.
- Karis Mazyck, a sixth-grade science teacher at Hand Middle School, will be an assistant principal at Hand.

Dr. Coles announced the following administrative transfers:

- Dr. Diane James, Area 2 superintendent, will be principal at Arden Elementary.
- Traci Young Cooper, an assistant principal at Alcorn Middle School, will be the district's director of intervention programs.

2006-07 General Fund Budget

The board approved second reading of the 2006-07 \$223 million general fund budget. This includes a 4.61% salary increase for all employees. A final third reading will be held after financial information from the state and Richland County is received.

Additional Action Items

The board approved the following:

- A contract to deliver, install and support electronic whiteboards
- A bid for an HVAC upgrade at Heyward Career Center

The board's next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 30 in Room 102 of the Stevenson Administration Building.