

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009

7:00 P.M.

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**MEMBERS BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS**

MR. VINCE FORD, CHAIRMAN

DR. JASPER SALMOND, VICE-CHAIRMAN

MR. DWAYNE SMILING, SECRETARY

MR. JAMIE DEVINE, PARLIAMENTARIAN

MR. ROB TYSON

MRS. SUSIE DIBBLE

MRS. BARBARA SCOTT

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1616 RICHLAND STREET

COLUMBIA, S.C. 29203

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**MATTER OF****RECORD:**

AS MANDATED BY THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PASSED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE RECORDS WILL SHOW THAT THE LOCAL NEWS MEDIA WERE NOTIFIED OF THIS MEETING. THE RECORD WILL ALSO SHOW THAT THE CHAIRMAN VINCE FORD CALLED FOR A MOTION TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION TO DISCUSS SEVERAL ISSUES: (1) INFORMATION: LEGAL STATUS REPORT; (2) INFORMATION: PERSONNEL UPDATE; (3) ACTION: CONTRACT RENEWALS & NON-RENEWALS 2009-2010; (4) INFORMATION: UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS;

(5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 2/24/09;  
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(6) HIRING-OF-PERSONNEL; (7) LEAVE-OF-ABSENCE; (8) CONTRACT EXTENSION: (1) CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES (WAREHOUSE STOCK); (9) INFORMATION: BOARD REPORT; (10) ACTION: BOARD POLICES: {1} SECOND READING APPROVAL OF POLICY REVISION: POLICY FF – NAMING FACILITIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE, {2} SECOND READING APPROVAL OF POLICY IJNDB: ACCEPTABLE USE OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS; (11) INFORMATION: SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT; (12) INFORMATION: 2007-2008 REPORT CARD UPDATE.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET AT STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29203, ON TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009. CHAIRMAN VINCE FORD CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:**

CHAIRMAN VINCE FORD, DR. JASPER SALMOND, MR. DWAYNE SMILING, MR. JAMIE DEVINE, MR. ROB TYSON, MRS. SUSIE DIBBLE, MRS. BARBARA SCOTT.

**INVOCATION:**

CHAIRMAN FORD CALLED UPON REVEREND  
JOE WATSON OF MAIN STREET METHODIST  
CHURCH TO GIVE THE INVOCATION.

**SCHOOL BOARD**

MR. DEVINE GAVE THE SCHOOL BOARD

**SPOTLIGHT:**

SPOTLIGHT FOR THE MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup> SCHOOL BOARD  
MEETING. (SEE ATTACHMENT FOR DETAILED  
INFORMATION).

**AGENDA ADOPTION:**

CHAIRMAN FORD STATED THAT THE FOLLOWING  
CHANGES WOULD BE MADE TO THE AGENDA:  
ITEM 1 (A), PERSONNEL MATTER WOULD BE DELETED  
FROM THE AGENDA. HE EXPLAINED THAT ITEM (A) WAS  
DISCUSSED IN ITEM (B), EMPLOYEE HEARING.

**MOTION:**

DR. SALMOND MOVED FOR ADOPTION AND WAS  
SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

**DISCUSSION:**

MR. TYSON NOTED THAT ITEM 1(B) SHOULD BE  
LISTED AS EMPLOYEE HEARING (SINGULAR)  
INSTEAD OF EMPLOYEE HEARINGS (PLURAL)  
BECAUSE ONE OF THE HEARINGS WAS DELETED  
FROM THE AGENDA.

**AMENDED MOTION:**

DR. SALMOND MOVED TO AMEND THE MOTION TO  
INCLUDE ITEM 1(B) DELETION AND IT WAS  
SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 2/24/09HIRING OF PERSONNELLEAVE – OF – ABSENCECONTRACT EXTENSION

(1) CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES (WAREHOUSE STOCK)

**MOTION:**

DR. SALMOND MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. SMILING.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)****OFFICE OF THE**INFORMATION BOARD REPORT**BOARD:**

CHAIRMAN FORD REPORTED THAT THE BOARD HELD ITS RETREAT ON MARCH 7, 2009 AT THE LYON STREET TELECONFERENCE CENTER. HE ADDED THAT THE MORNING SESSION WAS FACILITATED BY MS. GWEN HAMPTON OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION AND THE AFTERNOON SESSION WAS DISCUSSION AMONG THE BOARD ABOUT ITEMS PERTAINING TO THE POLICIES AND PRACTICES OF THE DISTRICT. CHAIRMAN FORD STATED THAT BOTH SESSIONS WERE INFORMATION ONLY AND THAT NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ALTHOUGH THERE WILL BE SOME FOLLOW-UP TO SOME DISCUSSION TOPICS.

CHAIRMAN FORD REPORTED THAT THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS AND THE EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR THE PARTNERS IN EDUCATION (PIE) WILL MEET ON THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2009 AT 4:00 P.M. TO DEVELOP A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE TWO GROUPS.

CHAIRMAN FORD BRIEFED THE AUDIENCE ON CHAT-WITH-THE-CHAIR. CHAIRMAN FORD STATED THAT RICHLAND ONE IS ONE OF THE FEW DISTRICTS WHERE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE INFORMAL CHATS WITH HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ABOUT THEIR ISSUES RELATED TO SCHOOLS, THE DISTRICT, AND EDUCATION IN GENERAL.

CHAIRMAN FORD MENTIONED THAT THERE WILL BE A PRIORITY SCHOOLS MEETING ON MARCH 16, 2009 AND HE ENCOURAGED BOARD MEMBERS TO ATTEND. CHAIRMAN FORD REMINDED BOARD MEMBERS ABOUT INFORMATION THAT THEY RECEIVED FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION ABOUT NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS, THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION RESOLUTION AND CHANGES TO THE

SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS BOARD CONSTITUTION.  
 HE ADDED THAT IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED, THE  
 DEADLINE IS MAY 4, 2009 FOR NOMINATIONS; AND  
 PROPOSALS FOR THE 2009-10 RESOLUTIONS DEADLINE  
 IS JULY 6, 2009; AND PROPOSALS FOR CHANGES TO THE  
 SCSBA CONSTITUTION'S DEADLINE IS JUNE 15, 2009.  
 DR. SALMOND EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION  
 TO THE BOARD, DR. MACK AND HIS STAFF FOR A  
 WONDERFUL, TEAMBUILDING BOARD RETREAT.

ACTION: BOARD POLICIES

1. SECOND READING APPROVAL OF POLICY

REVISION: POLICY FF – NAMING FACILITIES  
 AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

2. SECOND READING APPROVAL OF POLICY IJNDB:

ACCEPTABLE USE OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS

MS. WILLIAMS STATED THE ADMINISTRATION  
 RECOMMENDS SECOND READING APPROVAL OF  
 BOARD POLICY FF – NAMING FACILITIES AND ALSO  
 SECOND READING APPROVAL FOR IJNDB: ACCEPT-  
 ABLE USE OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS.

MOTION:

MRS. SCOTT AND DR. SALMOND MOVED FOR  
 APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)**

**OFFICE OF**  
**SUPERINTENDENT:**

DR. MACK CONGRATULATED THE LOWER RICHLAND HIGH DIAMOND HORNETS GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM ON WINNING THEIR FOURTH CONSECUTIVE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ON SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH AT THE COLONIAL CENTER. THE LOWER RICHLAND GIRLS DEFEATED DARLINGTON HIGH 68-42 TO WIN THE CLASS 3A TITLE. THE DIAMOND HORNETS PREVIOUSLY COMPETED IN CLASS 4A. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TEAM AND HEAD COACH DEBBIE STROMAN. DR. MACK STATED THAT THE TEAM WOULD BE FORMALLY RECOGNIZED AT THE MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup> BOARD MEETING.

DR. MACK REMINDED THE AUDIENCE OF THE DISTRICT'S COLLABORATION WITH THE CITY OF COLUMBIA IN THE TOGETHER WE CAN READ INITIATIVE. HE ADDED THAT LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DOZENS OF OTHER CELEBRITY READERS WILL GO INTO THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS NEXT WEEK TO READ TO THIRD GRADE STUDENTS. THE BOOK SELECTION IS "CHARLEY'S COLUMBIA BACKYARD." THE READING EVENT WILL BE HELD THE MORNING OF THURSDAY, MARCH 19. HE STATED THAT THE RESPONSE

FROM THE COMMUNITY FOR GUEST READERS HAS BEEN OVERWHELMING. OUR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE AMONG THE MANY PARTICIPANTS.

DR. MACK ENCOURAGED OUR THIRD-GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS TO ATTEND A TOGETHER WE CAN READ FAMILY FUN EVENT THAT WILL BE HELD THE NEXT DAY AT EDVENTURE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM.

CHARLEY'S FAMILY ADVENTURE WILL BE HELD FROM 5:30 – 7:30 P.M., FRIDAY, MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup> AT EDVENTURE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM. HE NOTED THAT BUS TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED AND THAT PICK-UP SITES WILL BE JOHN P. THOMAS ELEMENTARY, HORRELL HILL ELEMENTARY AND RHAME ELEMENTARY. HE STATED THAT THE BUSES WILL DEPART FROM THE SCHOOLS AT 5:00 P.M. DR. MACK ANNOUNCED THAT FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION, CONTACT THE OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS AT 231-7504.

DR. MACK ANNOUNCED THAT THE DISTRICT WILL HOLD A CONFERENCE NEXT WEEKEND THAT WILL FOCUS ON EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES TO RAISE ACHIEVEMENT AMONG AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS. HE ADDED THAT THIS IS RICHLAND ONE'S SECOND ANNUAL "CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP: RELEASING THE POTENTIAL AMONG

AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS IN TODAY'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS" CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, MARCH 21, FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M. AT CRAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL. DR. MACK STATED THAT ALL EDUCATORS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. DR. AKO KAMBON, PRESIDENT OF VISIONARY LEADERS INSTITUTE, WILL DELIVER THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS, "ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: CREATING A CLIMATE OF SUCCESS FOR ALL STUDENTS." DR. MACK STATED THAT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONFERENCE IS POSTED ON THE DISTRICT'S WEB SITE AND IS BEING ORGANIZED BY THE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. DISTRICT STAFF CAN REGISTER THROUGH THE AVATAR SYSTEM. COMMUNITY MEMBERS MAY CALL THE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT 400-1669.

DR. MACK ANNOUNCED THAT MS. RUTH RUSSELL, DISTRICT LIASION FROM FORT JACKSON WILL RELOCATE TO JAPAN. HE COMMENDED HER FOR A JOB WELL DONE AND THANKED HER DEDICATION TO THE STUDENTS OF RICHLAND ONE. DR. MACK ALSO RECOGNIZED COLONEL SCHWEDO FOR HIS SUPPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND WORKING WITH OUR STUDENTS FROM FORT JACKSON.

DR. SALMOND EXPRESSED HIS GRATITUDE TO  
MS. RUSSELL AND COLONEL SCHWEDO.

INFORMATION: 2007-2008 REPORT CARD UPDATE

DR. COLEMAN PRESENTED AN UPDATE  
ON THE 2007-2008 REPORT CARD VIA POWERPOINT.

**DISCUSSION:**

DR. MACK COMMENDED DR. COLEMAN AND HER  
STAFF FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION TO  
THE DISTRICT AND FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN CONTACTING  
THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ABOUT ERRORS  
IN DATA.

DR. COLEMAN COMMENDED MS. MARY MAGARET HOY FOR  
IDENTIFYING MANY OF THE ERRORS AND BRINGING THEM  
TO THE ATTENTION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION.

**DISCUSSION:**

DR. SALMOND NOTED THAT RICHLAND ONE HAD 4 OUT  
OF THE 10 SCHOOLS IN THE MIDLANDS THAT MADE AYP.

DR. COLEMAN STATED THAT THEY WERE KEENAN,  
COLUMBIA HIGH, EAU CLAIRE AND DREHER.

DR. SALMOND SUGGESTED THAT THIS INFORMATION BE  
STREAMED ACROSS THE DISTRICT WEBSITE AND ON ROTV.

MR. TYSON THANKED DR. COLEMAN FOR THE  
REPORT AND STATED THAT HE LIKED THE  
EXCELLENT GROWTH RATING.

**OFFICE OF HUMAN****RESOURCES:****INFORMATION: PERSONNEL UPDATE**

MR. DILLIHAY PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A PERSONNEL UPDATE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

**ACTION: CONTRACT RENEWALS AND NON-RENEWALS 2009-2010**

MR. DILLIHAY STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THE RE-EMPLOYMENT OF THE 2009-2010 OF ALL CERTIFIED CONTRACT TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE IN SECTIONS B, C, E, G AND H OF YOUR MATERIALS. MR. DILLIHAY STATED THAT SECTIONS A, D AND F WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

**MOTION:**

DR. SALMOND MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)**

**OFFICE OF OPERATIONS:****INFORMATION: UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

MR. PERKINS PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH AN UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

CHAIRMAN FORD ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT  
8:10 P.M.

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CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SCHOOL  
COMMISSIONERS

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SECRETARY-TREASURER, BOARD OF  
SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS