

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 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. 29201

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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) INFORMATION: UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS; (4) ACTION: UPDATE ON SURPLUS PROPERTY; (5) ACTION: CHANGE ORDERS;

(6) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 3/24/09; 4/1/09; (7)  
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HIRING OF PERSONNEL; (8) INFORMATION: BOARD REPORT; (9) ACTION: BOARD POLICIES: {1} FIRST READING APPROVAL BOARD POLICY JFABC; STUDENT TRANSFER; {2} FIRST READING APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY IKE: PROMOTION & RETENTION; {3} FIRST READING APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY JIA: STUDENT SEXUAL HARASSMENT; (10) ACTION: BOARD POLICIES: {1} SECOND READING APPROVAL BOARD POLICY KF: COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES; {2} SECOND READING APPROVAL BOARD POLICY EHB DATA/RECORDS RETENTION; (11) INFORMATION: ACCREDITATION UPDATE; (12) INFORMATION: SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT; (13) CONTRACT RENEWALS 2009-2010; (14) INFORMATION: 2008 HSAP/EOCEP RESULTS; (15) ACTION: PROPOSED BUDGET TRANSFER.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET AT STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29201, ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 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 AND  
MRS. BARBARA SCOTT.
- INVOCATION:** CHAIRMAN FORD CALLED UPON DR. JASPER  
SALMOND TO GIVE THE INVOCATION.
- SCHOOL BOARD** MRS. SCOTT GAVE THE SCHOOL BOARD
- SPOTLIGHT:** SPOTLIGHT FOR THE APRIL 14TH SCHOOL BOARD  
MEETING. (SEE ATTACHMENT FOR DETAILED  
INFORMATION).
- AGENDA ADOPTION:** CHAIRMAN FORD ANNOUNCED THE FOLLOWING  
CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:  
  
DELETIONS: ITEM 1 (A) INFORMATION: SCSBA  
ADVOCACY UPDATE AND ACTION ITEM 3(D)  
SECOND READING APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY  
IJOA: FIELD TRIPS.  
  
HE STATED THAT THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONS  
WOULD BE MADE TO THE AGENDA: ITEM 3 (B)  
OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES, CONTRACT  
RENEWALS/NON-RENEWALS 2009-2010.
- MOTION:** DR. SALMOND MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND  
WAS SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

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

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** MS. ALICE DEAN SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE STIMULUS FUNDS.

MS. PAT SEIGLER SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE NEED FOR THE SPECIALIZED INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AT SACHEL FORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

MR. GEDDINGS CRAWFORD SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE NON-RENEWALS OF CONTRACTS FOR RETIRED TEACHERS.

MR. RAY JONES SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE CONTINUATION OF THE FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT AT SACHEL FORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

MR. ANDY HEDGEPTH SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE BUDGET.

MR. DWAYNE PEARSON SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE FUTURE PLANS AT SACHEL FORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

MS. PATRICIA ABRAHAM SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT FUNDING FOR THE ODYSSEY OF THE MIND PARTICIPANTS TO TRAVEL TO IOWA FOR THE FINAL COMPETITION.

MR. CHARLES CARPENTER SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE RETENTION OF A FINE ARTS TEACHER AT A.C. FLORA HIGH SCHOOL.

MS. REBECCA LAFEW SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM AT A.C. FLORA HIGH SCHOOL AND THE RETENTION OF A FINE ARTS TEACHER.

MS. RACHEL LAFEW SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE RETENTION OF A FINE ARTS TEACHER AT A.C. FLORA HIGH SCHOOL.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 3/24/09; 4/1/09

HIRING-OF-PERSONNEL

CONTINUING RESOLUTION

**MOTION:**

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

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**OFFICE OF THE**

INFORMATION: BOARD REPORT

**BOARD:**

CHAIRMAN FORD REPORTED THAT A BOARD BUDGET WORK SESSION WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2009 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

HE REPORTED THAT A FOLLOW-UP MEETING WAS HELD WITH THE PARTNERS IN EDUCATION ON

MARCH 31, 2009. HE ANNOUNCED THAT ANOTHER MEETING WILL BE HELD MID-JUNE TO ESTABLISH A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.

CHAIRMAN FORD GAVE A BRIEF LEGISLATIVE UPDATE.

ACTION: BOARD POLICIES

MS. WILLIAMS STATED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS FIRST READING APPROVAL OF:

- (1) BOARD POLICY JFABC: STUDENT TRANSFERS;
- (2) BOARD POLICY IKE: PROMOTION & RETENTION;
- (3) BOARD POLICY JIA: STUDENT SEXUAL HARASSMENT.

**MOTION:**

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

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

ACTION: BOARD POLICIES

MS. WILLIAMS STATED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS SECOND READING APPROVAL FOR:

- (1) BOARD POLICY KF: COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES;
- (2) BOARD POLICY EHB: DATA RECORDS AND RETENTION.

**MOTION:**

MR. TYSON MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS  
SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

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

**OFFICE OF THE****SUPERINTENDENT:****INFORMATION: LEGAL STATUS REPORT**

MS. WILLIAMS PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH THE  
LEGAL STATUS UPDATE DURING EXECUTIVE  
SESSION.

**INFORMATION: ACCREDITATION UPDATE**

DR. BUXTON REPORTED ON THE FIRST OF A  
SERIES OF DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE DISTRICT'S  
ACCREDITATION PROCESS.

DR. BUXTON PRESENTED A VIDEO PRODUCTION  
MADE BY STUDENTS OUTLINING THE DISTRICT'S  
VISION AND PURPOSE.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

DR. MACK REPORTED THAT THE 2009 RICHLAND ONE  
ACADEMIC ALL-STARS RECOGNITION BANQUET WILL  
BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2009 AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE  
COLUMBIA METROPOLITAN CONVENTION CENTER.  
HE PROUDLY ANNOUNCED THAT THIS YEAR  
144 STUDENTS HAVE MET THE ACADEMIC ALL-  
STARS CRITERIA.

DR. MACK ANNOUNCED THAT THE DISTRICT IS ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2009 RICHLAND ONE HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CLASS. THE RICHLAND ONE HALL OF FAME WAS CREATED TO PAY TRIBUTE TO DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AND OTHER PERSONS WHO HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THEIR COMMUNITIES, THE DISTRICT AND SOCIETY AS A WHOLE. THE NOMINEES MAY BE LIVING OR DECEASED. HE NOTED THAT NOMINATION FORMS AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA MAY BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE DISTRICT'S WEB SITE AT [WWW.RICHLANDONE.ORG](http://WWW.RICHLANDONE.ORG); CLICK ON THE HALL OF FAME LINK. THE NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RICHLAND ONE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE BY 5:00 P.M., MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2009. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE AT 231-7504.

DR. MACK ANNOUNCED THE DISTRICT'S FIRST JAZZ FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD IN FINLAY PARK ON SUNDAY APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup> FROM 2:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RECOGNITION OF APRIL AS NATIONAL JAZZ APPRECIATION MONTH WITH PERFORMING INCLUDE JAZZ BANDS, DANCE ENSEMBLES AND

CHOIRS FEATURING ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE-SCHOOL AND HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS. THE FACULTY JAZZ ENSEMBLE ALSO WILL PERFORM.

DR. MACK STATED THAT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE RICHLAND ONE JAZZ FESTIVAL IS POSTED ON THE DISTRICT'S WEB SITE. HE ENCOURAGED EVERYONE TO SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS, JUST TO RELAX AND ENJOY SOME GREAT MUSIC.

**OFFICE OF HUMAN**

**INFORMATION: PERSONNEL UPDATE**

**RESOURCES:**

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

**ACTION: CONTRACT RENEWALS 2009-2010**

MR. DILLIHAY STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THE APPROVAL OF THE RE-EMPLOYMENT OF THE 2009-2010 OF CERTIFIED CONTRACTED TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE INDICATED IN SECTIONS B, C AND H OF THE BOARD MATERIALS.

**MOTION:**

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

**DISCUSSION:**

MR. TYSON ASKED MR. DILLIHAY TO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH A STATUS OF THE PROCESS OF TEACHER

CONTRACTS.

MR. DILLIHAY RESPONDED THAT IN AN EFFORT TO NOT OVEREXTEND THE DISTRICT, PRIORITY WAS GIVEN TO CONTINUING TEACHERS AND PRIOR TO THE GOVERNOR SIGNING THE FLEXIBILITY BILL THE CONTRACTS WERE REQUIRED TO BE ISSUED TO TEACHERS ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>. HE ADDED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION WENT THROUGH AN EXHAUSTIVE PROCESS WITH OUR PRINCIPALS AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS TO DETERMINE AND IDENTIFY THOSE TEACHERS. HE ADDED THAT OTHER TEACHERS WERE NOT ISSUED A CONTRACT AT THAT TIME, HOWEVER, THE ADMINISTRATION ARE AT THE POINT RIGHT NOW OF REVIEWING THE CONTRACTS THAT HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED AND ARE CREATING A VACANCY LIST AND WE ARE PLUGGING BACK IN THOSE TEACHERS THAT WERE ANNUAL INDUCTION AND RETIREES. ALSO, INITIALLY BECAUSE WE BASED OUR NEEDS ON THE NEEDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS, WE ALSO EXTEND THE CONTRACTS INITIALLY TO RETIREES AND OTHER TEACHERS SO THAT WE COULD MEET THOSE NEEDS IN CRITICAL

AREAS OF MATH, SCIENCE AND SPECIAL EDUCATION.

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

**OFFICE OF ACADEMICS:**

ACTION: 2008 HSAP/EOCEP RESULTS

DR. COLEMAN PROVIDED THE BOARD RESULTS  
OF THE 2008 HSAP/EOCEP.

**DISCUSSION:**

CHAIRMAN FORD ASKED IF ANY OF THE SCHOOLS  
MET STANDARDS ON THREE OF THE FOUR MEASUREMENTS.  
DR. COLEMAN STATED THAT SHE WOULD RESEARCH  
THIS MATTER AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

**OFFICE OF OPERATIONS:**

INFORMATION: UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION  
PROJECTS

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

ACTION: UPDATE ON SURPLUS PROPERTY

MR. PERKINS STATED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION  
RECOMMENDS THAT BURTON-PACK SITE BE  
IDENTIFIED AS SURPLUS PROPERTY.

**MOTION:**

MRS. DIBBLE AND MR. SMILING MOVED  
FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY  
MR. DEVINE.

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

ACTION: CHANGE ORDERS

MR. PERKINS STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR CHANGE ORDERS FOR GIBBES AND SANDERS MIDDLE SCHOOLS AND EAU CLAIRE HIGH SCHOOL.

**MOTION:**

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

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

CHAIRMAN FORD RECOGNIZED STUDENT TEACHERS FROM COLUMBIA COLLEGE.

ACTION: PROPOSED BUDGET TRANSFER

MR. CARLON STATED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET TRANSFER.

**MOTION:**

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

**DISCUSSION:**

DR. SALMOND RAISED A QUESTION ABOUT THE RISING UTILITIES AND SECURITY SERVICES.

MR. CARLON RESPONDED THAT THE UTILITIES INCREASE IS STRICTLY DUE TO A RATE INCREASE AT SOME POINT DURING THE YEAR. MR. CARLON RESPONDED THAT IN CONNECTION WITH SECURITY SERVICES, THE CONTRACT THAT COVERS THE SECURITY ALARMS

(BURGLAR AND FIRE) AND SOME ADDITIONAL REPAIRS.

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

DR. MACK MADE THE AUDIENCE AWARE OF THE LOSS OF MR. EDDIE MOORE, AN INSTRUCTOR AT OLYMPIA LEARNING CENTER.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

CHAIRMAN FORD ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 9:00 P.M.

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CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

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SECRETARY/TREASURER, BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS