Regular Board Meeting (Tuesday, February 11, 2020)
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Members present
Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Beatrice King, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls, Yolanda Anderson, Jonathan Milling

Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM

Motion: Commissioner King moved to go into Executive session and it was seconded by Commissioner Sauls
Vote: (6-0)
Votes were taken manually.
Commissioner Anderson was not present when the vote was taken.

1. 5:30 P. M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

2. Office of the Board
Student Matter presented by Dr. Veasey and Dr. Smalls.

3. Office of the Superintendent
Action, Information: 3.01 Legal Status Report Regarding a Student Matter, Legal Advice and Settlement of Legal Claims, and a New Lawsuit Pursuant to FOIA presented by Williams (Action/Information Item 9.01)

4. Office of Human Resources
Information: 4.01 Personnel/HR Updates presented by Dr. Long (Information Item 11.01)
Action: 4.02 Hiring of Personnel presented by Dr. Long (Action Item 11.02)

5. 7:00 P.M. PUBLIC SESSION

6. Call to Order
Information: 6.01 Invocation presented by Commissioner Harris

Action: 6.02 Agenda Adoption presented by Chairman Devine
Approval of Agenda.

Motion by Lila Anna Sauls, second by Beatrice King.
Final Resolution: Motion Passed
Yea: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Beatrice King, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls, Yolanda Anderson, Jonathan Milling (7-0)

Information: 6.03 School Board Spotlight presented by Commissioners Bishop and Sauls

Information: 6.04 Public Participation presented by Chairman Devine
Reverend Kerry Grady - MORE Justice
Oveta Glover- African American Statewide parade and FUNDS, Inc.

7. Consent Agenda
Action, Action (Consent):
7.01 Minutes: January 28, 2020
7.02 Contract Extension: Provide Fire Extinguisher Inspection and Maintenance Services presented by Outing
Resolution: The Administration recommends approval to extend a contract to Simplex Grinnell, LP for Fire Extinguisher Inspection and Maintenance Services.

Motion by Aaron Bishop, second by Cheryl Harris.
Final Resolution: Motion Passed
Yea: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Beatrice King, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls, Yolanda Anderson, Jonathan Milling (7-0)

8. Office of the Board

Information: 8.01 Board Report presented by Chairman Devine
Motion: Commissioner Harris made a motion for the Superintendent and his staff to explore the possibility of providing retention bonuses to employees returning the 2020-2021 school year. It was seconded by Commissioner Bishop
Final Resolution: Motion Passed
Discussion: Commissioner King asked that this be a part of the budget discussion. She also asked that an update on employee bonuses as discussed last year be provided to the Board.
Yea: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Beatrice King, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls, Yolanda Anderson, Jonathan Milling Vote: (7-0)
Action: 8.02 First Reading Approval of the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar presented by Dr. Long
The Administration recommends First Reading Approval of the 2020-2021 academic calendar.

Motion by Lila Anna Sauls, second by Aaron Bishop.
Final Resolution: Motion Passed
Yea: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Beatrice King, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls, Yolanda Anderson, Jonathan Milling (7-0)

Action: 8.03 2019-2020 Board/Superintendent/District Goals presented by Chairman Devine
Motion: Commissioner Harris moved to accept the 2019-2020 Board/Superintendent/District Goals and it was seconded by Commissioner Bishop
Final Resolution: Motion Passed
Yea: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Jamie Devine, Yolanda Anderson
Nay: Jonathan Milling, Beatrice King (5-2)

Amended Motion: Commissioner Milling made a motion to amend the goals that each item would be to take strategic action to increase performance in Reading and Math in each school by 1-3% points by 2022-2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner King.
Final Resolution: Motion Failed
Yea: Jonathan Milling, Beatrice King
Nay: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls
Abstain: Yolanda Anderson (2-4-0)

Action: 8.04 Student Matter presented by Dr. Veasey and Dr. Smalls
Dr. Veasey along with Dr. Smalls presented the Student Matter in executive session.

Motion by Lila Anna Sauls stated that based on the information presented regarding Student A, moves that the Board bar Student A from enrolling for one year in Richland One and it was second by Jonathan Milling.
Final Resolution: Motion Passed
Yea: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Beatrice King, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls, Yolanda Anderson, Jonathan Milling (7-0)

Information: 8.05 Advocacy/Legislative Updates presented by Chairman Devine
Commissioner Harris gave an update from the Advocacy Institute conference in Washington, DC this past weekend.

9. Office of the Superintendent

Action, Information: 9.01 Legal Status Report Regarding a Student Matter, Legal Advice and Settlement of Legal Claims, and a New Lawsuit Pursuant to FOIA presented by Williams
Mrs. Williams stated the information was presented in Executive Session. No action was required and none was taken.

Information: 9.02 Superintendent's Report presented by Dr. Witherspoon
Dr. Witherspoon gave the Superintendent's Report.

10. Office of Operations

Action: 10.01 Contract: Freedom School Summer Program presented by Outing
The Administration recommends approval for The Children’s Defense Fund Freedom School, Freedom Schools Summer Programs Columbia, SC

Motion by Beatrice King, second by Cheryl Harris.
Final Resolution: Motion Passed
Yea: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Beatrice King, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls, Yolanda Anderson, Jonathan Milling

Action: 10.02 City of Columbia and SCDOT Repaving Project for Millwood Avenue presented by Perkins

11. Office of Human Resources

Information: 11.01 Personnel/HR Updates presented by Dr. Long

Action: 11.02 Hiring of Personnel presented by Dr. Long
The Administration recommends approval of the Hiring of Personnel for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years. The Administration so recommends.

Motion by Cheryl Harris, second by Aaron Bishop.
Final Resolution: Motion Passed
Yea: Aaron Bishop, Cheryl Harris, Beatrice King, Jamie Devine, Lila Anna Sauls, Yolanda Anderson, Jonathan Milling

12. Adjournment

Information: 12.01 The next regular board meeting of the Richland One Board of School Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at Keenan High School, 361 Pigsah Church Road, Columbia, SC 29203.
Submitted by Eva Wilson, Special Assistant to the Board