

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2016

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

MRS. CHERYL HARRIS, CHAIRWOMAN

MR. VINCE FORD, VICE CHAIRMAN

MRS. PAMELA ADAMS, SECRETARY/TREASURER

MR. DWAYNE SMILING, PARLIAMENTARIAN

MR. AARON BISHOP

MR. JAMIE DEVINE

MRS. BEATRICE KING

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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 CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS CALLED FOR A MOTION TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION TO DISCUSS SEVERAL ISSUES: (1) LEGAL STATUS UPDATE; (2) PERSONNEL/HR UPDATES; (3-4) ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS; (5-6) LEAVE OF ABSENCE; (7) HIRING OF PERSONNEL; (8) MINUTES; (9) CONTRACT EXTENSION: PURCHASE OF FRESH PRODUCE; (10) CONTRACT EXTENSION: IT TEMPORARY SERVICES FOR APPLICATION

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SUPPORT AND TRAINING; (11) CONTRACT
EXTENSION: MONTHLY TRUNKING FEE TO
SUPPORT DISTRICT WIDE RADIO COMMUNICATION
SYSTEM; (12) CONTRACT EXTENSION: MONTHLY
TRUNKING AND TOWER FEE TO SUPPORT DISTRICT
WIDE RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM; (13)
CONTRACT EXTENSION: MUNIS ANNUAL SUPPORT
AND LICENSE RENEWAL; (14) CONTRACT
EXTENSION: DIGITAL MEDIA SOFTWARE
RENEWAL; (15) CONTRACT EXTENSION: LEASE
COPIER SERVICES (STATE CONTRACT); (16)
CONTRACT EXTENSION: READ 180 – ENGLISH
LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) INTERVENTION PROGRAM;
(17) CONTRACT EXTENSION: MOBILE DEVICE
MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE RENEWAL; (18) BOARD
REPORT; (19) CONTRACT: MOU FOR RICHLAND
COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD; (20) CONTRACT: MOA
FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBIA POLICE DEPARTMENT
TO PROVIDE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS (SRO);
(21) CONTRACT: MOA FOR THE COLUMBIA AREA
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER; (22) MOA FOR
RICHLAND COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT

TO PROVIDE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS (SRO);
 (23) CONTRACT: PURCHASE OF VEHICLE FOR
 DISTRICT'S MOTOR POOL; (24) CONTRACT: DLE
 PROFESSIONAL LEARNING SERVICES; (25)
 CONTRACT: CLASSROOM FURNITURE FOR LOWER
 RICHLAND HIGH SCHOOL; (26) FY 201-2017
 ENTERPRISE FUND AND INTERNAL SERVICE FUND;
 (27) CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT HANDBOOK 2016-
 2017.

CALL TO ORDER:

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET AT
 STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ON
 TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2016. CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS
 CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

CHAIRWOMAN CHERYL HARRIS, MR. VINCE FORD,
 MRS. PAMELA ADAMS, DWAYNE SMILING,
 MR. AARON BISHOP, MR. JAMIE DEVINE,
 MRS. BEATRICE KING.

INVOCATION:

REVEREND AARON BISHOP OF GRACE CHRISTIAN
 CHURCH, GAVE THE INVOCATION.
 CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS NOTED SHERIFF LOTT IN
 ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING.

AGENDA ADOPTION:**MOTION:**

MR. DEVINE MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS
SECONDED BY MRS. ADAMS.

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

SCHOOL BOARD

MRS. KING GAVE THE SCHOOL BOARD

SPOTLIGHT:

SPOTLIGHT FOR THE JULY 12, 2016 SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING.

(SEE ATTACHMENT FOR ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

LAVONDA GLADNEY AND DAUGHTER KIONA
BRICE, SPOKE TO THE BOARD ABOUT A TRANSFER
ISSUE.

CONSENT AGENDA:

MINUTES

CONTRACT EXTENSION: PURCHASE OF FRESH
PRODUCE

CONTRACT EXTENSION: IT TEMPORARY SERVICES
FOR APPLICATION SUPPORT AND TRAINING

CONTRACT EXTENSION: MONTHLY TRUNKING
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CONTRACT EXTENSION: DIGITAL MEDIA
SOFTWARE RENEWAL

CONTRACT EXTENSION: LEASE COPIER SERVICES
(STATE CONTRACT)

CONTRACT EXTENSION: READ 180 – ENGLISH
LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) INTERVENTION PROGRAM

CONTRACT EXTENSION: MOBILE DEVICE MANAGE-
MENT SOFTWARE RENEWAL

MOTION:

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OFFICE OF THE

BOARD REPORT

BOARD:

MRS. KING STATED SHE HAD THE PLEASURE
TODAY (JULY 12) OF ATTENDING A SUMMER
LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON AT COLUMBIA COLLEGE.
CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS EXPRESSED TO THOSE
THAT LIVE WITHIN THE STRETCH OF LOWER
RICHLAND HIGH SCHOOL THAT RICHLAND COUNTY
LIBRARY IS PILOTING A PROGRAM AT LOWER
RICHLAND LIBRARY.

OFFICE OF THE**SUPERINTENDENT:****SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

DR. WITHERSPOON STATED TWO OF OUR STUDENTS RECENTLY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOWCASE THEIR STEM SKILLS AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL. W.J. KEENAN SCHOOL STUDENTS TEVIN GLOVER AND RYAN PARKER MATTHEWS PRESENTED THEIR EXPERIMENT DESIGN AT THE STUDENT SPACEFLIGHT EXPERIMENT PROGRAM NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. THE CONFERENCE WAS HELD JUNE 29-30 AT THE SMITHSONIAN NATIONAL AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM. HE ADDED THAT THE EXPERIMENT WAS DESIGNED BY TEVIN AND RYAN, ALONG WITH THEIR CLASSMATE CEDRIC MCQUEEN, WAS SELECTED TO BE PERFORMED BY ASTRONAUTS ABOARD THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION. THEIR EXPERIMENT IS SCHEDULED TO BE LAUNCHED NOVEMBER 21. THEIR EXPERIMENT IS "THE EFFECTS OF MICROGRAVITY ON THE TURBIDITY OF A NON-NEWTONIAN FLUID MIXTURE OF CORNSTARCH AND WATER," WHICH WILL TEST WHETHER MICROGRAVITY (WEIGHTLESSNESS) AFFECTS THE MIXING OF THE CORNSTARCH AND

WATER. DR. WITHERSPOON CONGRATULATED THESE OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN FOR REPRESENTING KEENAN AND RICHLAND ONE WITH DISTINCTION.

DR. WITHERSPOON REMINDED THE AUDIENCE THAT NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2016 RICHLAND ONE HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CLASS ARE DUE TO THE OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS BY JULY 28. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND NOMINATION FORMS MAY BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE. IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION, CALL 231-7504.

DR. WITHERSPOON REPORTED THAT THE SUMMER IS GOING BY VERY QUICKLY. BEFORE WE KNOW IT, IT WILL BE TIME FOR US TO KICK OFF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR AND WELCOME OUR STUDENTS BACK TO SCHOOL. MONDAY, AUGUST 8 IS THE FIRST DAY FOR TEACHERS, AND OUR STUDENTS WILL BEGIN CLASSES ON MONDAY, AUGUST 15. THE 2016-2017 ACADEMIC CALENDAR IS POSTED AT RICHLANDONE.ORG.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WHAT PROMISES TO BE
A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR.

DR. WITHERSPOON NOTED HIS DIGITAL AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION WILL BE BACK UP AND RUNNING SOON: TWITTER, THE WEEKLY BLOG. DR. WITHERSPOON NOTED ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN WORKING HARD THIS SUMMER TO MAKE IT MORE SMOOTHLY FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR TO START WHERE STUDENTS AND EVERYONE WILL HAVE A GOOD EXPERIENCE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR. HE EXPRESSED GRATITUDE TO THE STAFF FOR THEIR WORK.

DISCUSSION:

MRS. KING ASKED WHAT THE STATUS OF ATHLETIC FACILITY UPGRADE IS. SHE STATED IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE AN UPDATE TONIGHT AND ON THE WEBSITE.

MR. PERKINS PROVIDED A BRIEF UPDATE ON ATHLETIC FACILITIES AND STATED HE WILL FOLLOWUP WITH A REPORT AND WILL ALSO PUT SOMETHING ON THE WEBSITE.

CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS ASKED TO BE PROVIDED WITH THE NUMBERS ON HOW MUCH OF THOSE RESTROOM UPGRADES ARE GOING TO IMPACT THE MONEY THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN ALLOCATED.

MR. PERKINS RESPONDED WE ARE TAKING ALL THAT INTO CONSIDERATION AND WILL PROVIDE AN UPDATE.

MR. SMILING RAISED A QUESTION ABOUT HAVING FAMILY RESTROOMS.

MR. PERKINS RESPONDED YES, THAT IS A PART OF OUR STANDARD. WE ARE INCLUDING FAMILY RESTROOMS AT ALL OF THE SITES AND ALL THE PARTICULAR AREAS, SUCH AS ON THE VISITOR'S SIDE AND HOME SIDE.

MR. BISHOP ASKED AS WE PREPARE FOR SPORTSARAMA, ARE THERE ANY PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES WE ARE TAKING TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN PROTECTED IN THIS TYPE OF HEAT.

DR. WITHERSPOON RESPONDED THAT COACH MATZ WORKS WITH OUR COACHING STAFF AND ALONG WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE THAT SHARES INFORMATION. WE HAVE PUT THOSE THINGS IN PLACE AND CERTAIN GUIDELINES THAT OUR COACHES FOLLOW.

LEGAL STATUS

ATTORNEY WILLIAMS STATED INFORMATION WAS PRESENTED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE STATUS OF LEGAL MATTERS.

OFFICE OFHUMAN RESOURCES:PERSONNEL/HR UPDATES

DR. SAVAGE COUSAR STATED THE FIRST ITEM IS OUR CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL CONCERNS. THIS IS FOR INFORMATION.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT

DR. SAVAGE COUSAR STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF MS. LAJAMIEA DICKSON FOR THE COORDINATOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

MOTION:

MR. DEVINE MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MRS. ADAMS.

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT

DR. SAVAGE COUSAR STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF DR. DEVINA WILLIAMS FOR THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT E.E. TAYLOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

MOTION:

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

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

DR. SAVAGE COUSAR STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE LEAVE OF ABSENCE AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MOTION:

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VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

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VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

HIRING OF PERSONNEL

DR. SAVAGE COUSAR STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE TEACHERS PRESENTED FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR.

MOTION:

MRS. ADAMS MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

OFFICE OF

CONTRACT: MOU FOR RICHLAND COUNTY

OPERATIONS:

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SCHOOL

CROSSING GUARD

CONTRACT: MOA FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBIA

POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SCHOOL

RESOURCE OFFICERS (SRO)

CONTRACT: MOA FOR THE COLUMBIA AREA

MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

CONTRACT: MOA FOR RICHLAND COUNTY

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SCHOOL

RESOURCE OFFICERS (SRO)

CONTRACT: PURCHASE OF VEHICLE FOR

DISTRICT'S MOTOR POOL

CONTRACT: DLE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

SERVICES

CONTRACT: CLASSROOM FURNITURE FOR LOWER

RICHLAND HIGH SCHOOL

MR. HARDISON STATED THE ADMINISTRATION
RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE LISTED
CONTRACTS.

MOTION:

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SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

CONTRACT: FY 2016-2017 ENTERPRISE FUND AND
INTERNAL SERVICE FUND

MR. CARLON STATED ADMINISTRATION IS REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 ENTERPRISE FUND AND INTERNAL SERVICE FUND BUDGET.

MOTION:

MRS. ADAMS MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

DISCUSSION:

MRS. ADAMS ASKED IS THIS ENTERPRISE FUND FOR FOOD SERVICES INCLUSIVE OF THE AMOUNT THAT WE GET FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO SERVE ALL STUDENTS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH?

MR. CARLON RESPONDED YES, MA'AM.

MRS. ADAMS ASKED AS WELL AS AN AFTER SCHOOL SNACK AND MEAL?

MR. CARLON RESPONDED YES, MA'AM.

MRS. ADAMS ASKED DOES IT INCLUDE ANYTHING ELSE?

MS. DIXON RESPONDED THAT IS JUST THE NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM FOR BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND SNACK. IT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE SUMMER PROGRAM.

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

CODE OF STUDENT HANDBOOK 2016-2017

DR. WITHERSPOON PRESENTED THE CODE OF STUDENT HANDBOOK 2016-2017.

MOTION:

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

DISCUSSION:

AFTER A LENGTHY DISCUSSION REGARDING THE NEED FOR A WORK SESSION PRIOR TO PRINTING THE CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT HANDBOOK, THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS MADE:

AMENDED MOTION:

MR. DEVINE MOVED TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL AFTER THE BOARD MEETS AT A DULY NOTED WORK SESSION AND WAS SECONDED BY MRS. KING.

DISCUSSION:

MRS. KING REQUESTED TO HAVE AS MANY PRINCIPALS AND STAKEHOLDERS PRESENT AT THE MEETING.

MRS. ADAMS ASKED TO BE PROVIDED AT THE WORK SESSION DATA ABOUT THE NUMBER OF CASES THAT WENT BEFORE THE HEARING BOARD LAST YEAR.

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS ASKED CAN WE HAVE THIS HANDBOOK PUT ON THE STUDENT DEVICES FOR STUDENTS TO ACCESS.

DR. WITHERSPOON RESPONDED YES.

ADJOURNMENT:

CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 8:25 P.M.

STENOGRAPHER

CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

SECRETARY/TREASURER, BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS