

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEWBERRY COUNTY

These Board Highlights are provided to employees of the School District of Newberry County as an overview of the Board of Education meetings. They are not meant to be actual minutes of the meeting, but rather highlights of the meeting's actions.

Meeting Date – December 14, 2020

Establish Quorum/Approval of Agenda

A quorum was established with 7 members present.

The meeting was called to order with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome and Recognition of the Media (via livestream)

Special Recognition

Mrs. Roberta Hall Kinard – Spearman Innovation Award from the South Carolina Department of Education Office of Adult Education

Mrs. Linda Branham – Paraprofessional/ Administrative Assistant of the Year Award from the South Carolina Department of Education Office of Adult Education

Mr. Kevin James – Outstanding Adult Learner of the Year Award from the South Carolina Department of Education Office of Adult Education

Mrs. Patricia Armfield – Administrative Staff Hall of Fame Award from the South Carolina Department of Education Office of Adult Education

Mrs. Margaret Riebe – Teachers Hall of Fame Award from the South Carolina Department of Education Office of Adult Education

The district also received the Facility Enhancement Award from the South Carolina Department of Education Office of Adult Education

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the November 16, 2020 Board Meeting were approved.

Action Items

Accepted the audit report regarding the 2020 Financial Audit presented by Greene and Finney, LLP.

Staff Reports

Finance – Mrs. Susan Dowd presented the following:

- Cash Flow Report with a balance of \$15.3 mil.

Instruction – Dr. Lynn Cary presented the following:

- Information on the instructional model change results

- Mrs. Tricia Ulch gave a COVID-19 update, reported on the district opting out of COVID testing in schools, and informed the board of the updates made to the time required for quarantines.

Operations – Mr. Kenneth Rawls presented the following:

- Informed the Board of the progress on the Mid-Carolina High School Track project.
- Updated the plexiglass delivery and installation progress.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Suber reported on the following:

- SCSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference
- December 18 – Half day for students
- December 19 – January 3 – Winter Holidays
- January 4 – Teacher Planning and Preparation Day
- January 5 – Hybrid Group 2 Students Return
- January 7 – Phase 1 Four Day Face to Face Instruction Students in Grades PK-5 Return

Executive Session

The Board entered into executive session.

Return to Open Session

Action from Executive Session

- Accepted the administration's recommendation for hiring.

Adjournment

The Board voted to adjourn at approximately 8:45 p.m.