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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: August 25, 2014

Establish Quorum/Approval of Agenda: A quorum was established with 6 members present.

**Executive Session:** The Board entered executive session.

On return to open session, the meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

Welcome and Recognition of the Media: Mr. Hamm welcomed visitors and the media.

## Action from Executive Session:

Accepted the administration's recommendation to hire the following:

Mid-Carolina Middle School - Paul Laches, Band

District Office – D. Wayne Bridges, Technology Coach

Newberry High School – Hannah Collins, Chorus

Received resignations from the following:

Mid-Carolina Middle School - Laura Hicken, Band

Newberry Middle School - Loretta Richey, ED

# **Special Recognition:** Students from Newberry County with perfect PASS scores are:

Gallman Elementary – Lacy Hawkins – Perfect Score in English Language Arts

Josue Mendoza Gomez – Perfect Score in Math

#### **Little Mountain Elementary**

Kaitlyn Brown – Perfect Score in Math Kyle Fulmer – Perfect Score in Math

Amber Lingefelt – Perfect Score in Science

Emma Wicker – Perfect Score in Math

## **Pomaria-Garmany Elementary**

Edith Elsenheimer- Perfect Score in English Language Arts Lawson Lominick – Perfect Score in Math and Science

Jon Michael Ruff – Perfect Score in Math and Social Studies

## **Prosperity-Rikard Elementary**

Andrew Green – Perfect Score in English Language Arts

Grayson Long – Perfect Score in Math

Sabrina Weng (wing) – Perfect Score in Math

Semora Wise – Perfect Score in Math

#### **Reuben Elementary**

Ayla Phillips – Perfect Score in Math

### **Whitmire Community School**

Olivia Martin – Perfect Score in Math

#### Mid-Carolina Middle

Jarrett Delk – Perfect Score in Science

Charlotte Delk – Perfect Score in Writing, English Language Arts, and Math

Morgan Hair – Perfect Score in Writing Jacob Wicker – Perfect Score in Math

## **Newberry Middle School**

Trabia McFall – Perfect Score in English Language Arts Zachary Rendelman – Perfect Score in Math

## Little Mountain Elementary -- Renee Joiner - 5th grade teacher

Renee is a state-level finalist for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST), which is the nation's highest honor for teachers of mathematics and science (including computer science). Awardees serve as models for their colleagues, inspiration to their communities, and leaders in the improvement of mathematics and science education.

In order for Renee to be considered and selected as a state-level finalist she had to submit documentation which included: an application, resume, research and reflection on her students and their growth using various data, lesson plans, assessments, recorded lessons, and reflection articles.

As a state-level finalists Renee's application is forwarded to a national selection committee composed of mathematics educators, teachers, and past awardees who will meet in Washington, DC, to select the PAEMST awardees at the national level. Good luck Renee!!

#### Public Forum: None

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the July 28, 2014 Board meeting were approved.

## Action Item(s):

- A. Bond Resolution was approved.
- B. Approved retaining professionals to refinance the NICE Program.

# Staff Reports:

- A. Finance Mrs. Dowd
  - 1. Cash Flow Report Ms. Dowd reported a cash flow for July 31, 2014 with a balance of \$13.4 ml.
- B. Operations Mr. Suber
  - 1. Construction Update Newberry County Career Center Phase II
  - 2. NMS and NHS Paving updated presented by Mr. Rawls.

# Superintendent's Report:

A. Mr. Bennett reported on School Opening for 2014-2015.

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