

NEWBERRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Administrative Building
May 19, 2014
Executive Session - 6:00 PM
Public Board Meeting - 7:30 PM

In accordance with the SC Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80(d), the following were notified of the time, place, date and agenda of this meeting:

- a. The Newberry Observer
- b. The Whitmire News
- c. WKDK Radio Station
- d. Individuals Requesting Information

The following business was transacted:

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Jody Hamm, Chairman of the Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

II. ESTABLISH A QUORUM/APPROVE AGENDA

A quorum was established with the following Board members in attendance: Mr. Jody Hamm, Mr. Hugh B. Gray, Jr., Mr. Ike Bledsoe, Jr., Mrs. Lucy Anne Meetze, Mr. Clyde Hill, Mrs. Jessie Reeder and Mr. Lee Attaway.

Mr. Bledsoe made a motion to approve the agenda which was seconded by Mrs. Meetze. The vote was unanimous.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Personnel Resignation(s)/Recommendation(s)
- B. Contractual Consideration(s)
- C. Personnel Matter(s)

Mr. Hamm requested a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel resignation(s)/recommendation(s), contractual consideration(s), and personnel matter(s).

Mr. Bennett stated that the personnel matters were regarding certified personnel.

Mr. Hill made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel resignation(s)/recommendation(s), contractual consideration(s) and personnel matter(s). This motion was seconded by Mr. Bledsoe. The Board entered into Executive Session.

IV. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:39 PM.

V. INVOCATION

Mr. Gray gave the invocation.

VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hamm.

VII. WELCOME

Mr. Hamm welcomed everyone on behalf of the Newberry County School District Board of Trustees.

VIII. RECOGNITION OF THE MEDIA

Mr. Hamm recognized the news media. He thanked the media for their attendance and coverage at Board meetings. Those present from the media were Tammy Kitchen and Kevin Boozer.

IX. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Hamm asked if there was any action to be taken from the executive session. Mr. Ataway made a motion to accept the Administration's teacher recommendations as presented. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Meetze and the vote was unanimous.

X. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mid-Carolina High School: 2014-2015 South Carolina State Youth of the Year – Ashlyn Barton

Newberry High School: The Newberry County Agricultural Expo declares Robert "Bobby" McLeod as the Newberry County Career Center senior FFA member scholarship recipient and recognized the FFA Chapter for the numerous hours of service with a \$1000 donation.

School District of Newberry County Education Scholarships - This year's recipients of the \$1000 District Education Scholarships are: Abigayle Temples – Newberry High School, Morgan Werts – Mid-Carolina High, Jessica Folk – Mid-Carolina High, Emily Livingston – Mid-Carolina High

XI. PUBLIC FORUM

Mr. Joshua Waters addressed the Board on behalf of the Newberry County Career Center in regards to the opportunities available for students at the Center and the importance of support from the community and local businesses.

XII. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 28, 2014 BOARD MEETING MINUTES AND MAY 12, 2014 BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES

Mr. Hamm stated that without objection, the minutes of the April 28, 2014 Board meeting and May 12, 2014 Budget Workshop minutes would be approved as submitted. There was no objection.

XIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Board Compensation – Policy BID – 2nd Reading

After some discussion regarding Policy BID, an amended motion to change the compensation of Board Members to 50% of the Newberry County Council's compensation instead of 70% was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mrs. Reeder. A vote was taken and the vote passed 5-2 with Mr. Gray and Mrs. Meetze voting against. Mr. Hill made a motion to change Policy BID Board Compensation to reflect that board compensation be 50% of the Newberry County Council's compensation. This vote was taken and the motion passed 5-2 with Mrs. Meetze and Mr. Gray voting against.

B. 2014-2015 Budget – 1st Reading

Mrs. Susan Dowd presented the 2014-2015 Budget for 1st Reading. A motion was made by Mr. Bledsoe to accept the 2014-2015 Budget (1st Reading) as presented. This was seconded by Mrs. Meetze and the vote was unanimous.

C. Superintendent's Authorization to Apply for Funding

Mr. Bennett requested the authorization to apply for available federal, state, foundation and other special funded programs for the fiscal year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. Mr. Gray made a motion to authorize Mr. Bennett to apply for funding for the 2014-2015 school year. This was seconded by Mr. Attaway and the vote was unanimous.

XIV. STAFF REPORTS

A. Finance – Mrs. Susan Dowd

1. Cash Flow

Mrs. Susan Dowd provided the Board with a cash flow summary by fund which included a total through April 30, 2014 as well as a current general fund budget report showing a balance of \$10,950,160.23 in the general fund, \$642,474.56 in other state restricted funds, (i.e., educational lottery money) and a total in all categories of \$16,222,744.72.

Mrs. Dowd provided the Board with a cash flow summary by fund, with a total through April 30, 2014 of \$3,049,898.98 for technology/construction funds.

B. Operations – Mr. Jim Suber

1. Newberry County Career Center – Phase II

Mr. Jim Suber presented a construction update on the Newberry County Career Center – Phase II. He also gave an update on the new Administrative Building.

XV. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Bill to Amend Filing Dates for School Boards

Mr. Bennett shared information with the Board regarding the passage of Bill H.5134. This Bill changes filing procedures regarding School Board elections.

XVI. ADJOURN

No further business was discussed. A Public Hearing has been set for June 9, 2014 at 7:00 pm in the Administrative Building. The next regular scheduled meeting of the Newberry County Board of Education will be held on Monday, June 23, 2014 at 7:30 pm in the Administrative Building. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 pm.

Secretary

Board Recorder

Date