

**NEWBERRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**Administrative Building**  
**May 20, 2019**  
**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. WKDK Radio Station
- c. 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 6:01 pm.

**II. ESTABLISH A QUORUM/APPROVE AGENDA**

A quorum was established with the following Board members in attendance: Mrs. Lucy Anne Meetze, Mr. Clyde Hill, Mr. Ike Bledsoe, Jr., Mrs. Jessie Reeder, Mr. Quin Cureton, Mrs. Gerdi Lake, and Mr. Jody Hamm.

Mr. Hamm requested a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Bledsoe made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Cureton seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

Mr. Hamm requested a motion to enter into Executive Session. Mrs. Meetze made a motion to enter into Executive Session and 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 7:30 pm.

**V. INVOCATION**

Mr. Bledsoe 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.

**IX. ACTION AS NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Bledsoe made a motion to accept the Administration's recommendations for hiring. This motion seconded by Mrs. Reeder and the vote was unanimous.

The Board received the following recommendations:

2019-2020 – Troy Cann, Physical Education, Prosperity-Rikard Elementary School; Abigail Nix, Art, Mid-Carolina Middle School, Michael Ratliff, Band, Newberry High School.

Received the following Resignations:

Julee Ringer, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, Gallman Elementary School; Rebecca Steurys, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Gallman Elementary School.

Received the following Retirements:

Regina Eargle, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade, Reuben Elementary School.

Received the following Transfers:

Sarah Eades, Physical Education, Whitmire Community School to Little Mountain Elementary School; Dylan Skinner, Physical Education/Athletic Director, Newberry Elementary School to Newberry Middle School; Katie Sas, Interventionist, Boundary Street Elementary School to Newberry Middle School.

**X. SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

The Board of Trustees recognized the following:

Whitmire Community School – South Carolina Beta Club Convention

Alexus Sanders – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Speech  
Barrett Martin – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place ELA Academic Testing  
Garrett Davis – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Engineering  
Garrett Jenkins – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Engineering  
Matthew Prather – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Engineering  
Wyatt Crase – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Engineering  
Caleb Bowers – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Engineering  
Jordyn Brooks – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Marketing and Communications

Mid-Carolina High School

Kaleb Boland – Maximum Score of 800 on the Math portion of the SAT  
Blake Arnoult – Class AAA State Champion for Shot Put – State Track Meet  
Patrick Jacobs – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Overall Class AAA State Golf Tournament

Whitmire Community School

Garrett Davis – North/South All-Star Wrestling Team  
Kymberlee Jenkins – North/South All-Star Softball Team  
Andrew Campbell – Coach - North/South All-Star Softball Team

## Bennie D Bennett Education Scholarship

Receiving a \$500 scholarship for a 2-year institution is:  
Kaylynn Roche, Whitmire Community School  
Darian Morris, Mid-Carolina High School

Receiving a \$500 scholarship for a 4-year institution are:  
Christopher Saverance, Jr., Whitmire Community School  
Elizabeth Eldridge, Mid-Carolina High School  
Patrick Carrillo, Mid-Carolina High School

Receiving a \$1000 scholarship for a 4-year institution are:  
Megan Grubbs, Mid-Carolina High School  
Dustin Phillips, Newberry High School  
Mallorie Jaeger, Newberry High School

### **XI. PUBLIC FORUM**

There were no public comments.

### **XII. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 29, 2019 BOARD MEETING MINUTES AND MAY 13, 2019 BUDGET WORK SESSION/BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Hamm stated that without objection, the minutes of the April 29, 2019 Board Meeting and May 13, 2019 Budget Work Session/Board Meeting would be approved. There were no objections.

### **XIII. ACTION ITEMS**

A. Finance – Mrs. Susan Dowd

#### **1. 2019-2020 Budget – First Reading**

Mrs. Dowd presented the 2019-2020 Budget for First Reading. Mrs. Reeder made a motion to accept the 2019-2020 budget as First Reading. Mr. Hill seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

#### **2. Authorization to Apply for Funding**

Mrs. Dowd requested the Authorization to Apply for Funding for the 2019-2020 school year. Mr. Bledsoe made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to apply for funding for the 2019-2020 school year. Mrs. Meetze seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

#### **3. Payroll Frequency**

Based on previous research, Mr. Hamm and Mr. Bledsoe made comments concerning the payroll frequency and were not in favor of making changes. Mrs. Lake made a motion to table the vote to change the payroll frequency until the Board members conduct further research. Mrs. Reeder seconded the motion 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, 2019, as well as a current general fund budget report showing a

balance of \$17,917,765.94 in the general fund, \$3,788,927.08, in Federal projects, \$3,165,988.97 in EIA funds, \$731,859.55 in other state restricted funds (i.e. educational lottery money), and a total in all categories of \$25,335,020.48.

Mrs. Susan Dowd provided the Board with a cash flow summary by fund, with a total through April 30, 2019, of \$693,165.36 for technology/construction funds.

**B. Operations – Mr. Joey Haney**

**1. Capital Projects Update**

- a. Kendell Road Complex – This complex will be used by Adult Education, Bright Beginnings and Facilities Management. The contractor is working on the punch list items before final inspection. An open house event will be scheduled for August. In addition, Adult Education classes will be conducted at the new facility in September.
- b. Roof Replacement/Repairs - Contractors have delivered materials to the R. C. Lake Gym at Whitmire High School and will begin work this week. However, contractors will begin at Mid-Carolina Middle School after the school year ends on June 5<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Newberry High School Track Additions – The additions and grading work have begun and should be completed by mid-July.
- d. Mid-Carolina High School Track Update – As reported at the last board meeting, this track facility is a high priority. A schematic design and estimate have been reviewed. A start date has not been determined at this time. Mrs. Meetze would like the Board to move as soon as possible on the new Mid-Carolina High School Track and Field Facility.

**XV. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

- 2019 Graduation Schedule
- May 23<sup>rd</sup> – 6:00 pm SDNC Retirement Dinner – NMS
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – Boundary Street Elementary School Make-Up Day
- May 30<sup>th</sup> – Retirement Drop-In for Mrs. Arrington – District Office from 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Mr. Suber made the Board members aware of the dates and events listed above.

**XVI. ADJOURN**

No further business was discussed. The next scheduled meeting of the Newberry County Board of Education will be held on Monday, June 3, 2019 (Public Hearing) at 7:00 pm in the Administrative Building. The regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, June 24, 2019, at 7:30 pm. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:24 pm.

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Secretary

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Board Recorder

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Date