

**ALLENDALE COUNTY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES – REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

**MONDAY – JULY 25, 2011 – 6:00 P.M.
ALLENDALE-FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL – MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Allendale County Schools Board of Trustees was held on Monday, July 25, 2011. At 6:00 p.m. the Board went into executive session to discuss personnel matters. The Meeting was held at Allendale-Fairfax High School in the Multi-Purpose Room. The news media was notified and present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charlie Cave, Vice Chairman
Terry Hall
Cheryl Mole
Willie Priester, Chairman
Valaree Smith, Secretary

FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE: Dr. Harold McClain, Superintendent
Kedra Rivers, Director of Personnel
Patricia W. Pringle, Recorder

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Priester called the Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Cave moved to return to open session. Ms. Mole seconded. The motion was approved by all.

INVOCATION: The invocation was given by Mr. Hall.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ms. Mole moved to make item #13 executive session and #14 adjournment. Mr. Hall seconded. The motion was approved by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Hall moved to approve the Minutes of the June 27, 2011 Regular Monthly Meeting and July 12, 2011 Special Called Meeting as presented. Ms. Mole seconded. The motion was approved by all.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Community member Mr. Mark Lott said he had the following questions: 1) he attended the last Board meeting and some new employees were hired at that time. Who are the new people; 2) what is the status of the finance director – the last one resigned – is the District aggressively seeking one. Chairman Priester said the guidelines for public comments are noted and any questions put before the Board, the Superintendent will respond to those requests in writing. Mr. Lott said his problem with that is that this is a matter of importance. Chairman Priester said if

they responded to each public comment then the Meetings would be like a public forum. Mr. Lott said he has been coming to Board Meetings forever and when certain questions were asked they were answered. Mr. Lott asked to have the information as soon as possible and 3) in reference to the charter school – he is totally against this and will do whatever he can do to try and stop it. This is a community problem. It is not a school thing by itself – it will affect everyone – they should get together and try to work this out.

SUPERINTENDENT’S OFFICE

Introduction of New District Office Staff: Dr. McClain introduced new staff members for the 2011-12 school year: 1) Ms. Tuesday Johnson, Coordinator of Foodservice; 2) Ms. Kay Gooding, Coordinator of Curriculum and Instructions; 3) Ms. Barbara Kulisek, Coordinator of the SIG Grant and 4) Ms. Camille Moore, Coordinator of Special Services.

Schools Summer Cleaning: Mr. Everett, Interim Facilities Coordinator said things are coming along quite well. The progress of the work is somewhat surprising. AES and AFHS have the assistance of members from First Nazarene Church out of Columbia, SC. They have painted the gym at AES and assisted the custodial staff with cleaning the carpet.

Back-to-School Health Fair/Expo – Aug. 13, 2011: Mr. Everett said the event is scheduled for the Saturday before school begins. The District is partnering with the SC Primary Health Care Association. Supplies will be provided as well as health screenings for children and the public. Screenings include high blood pressure, diabetes check and HIV testing.

E-Rate and Internet Safety Policies and CIPA: Ms. Jamison, Director of Technology presented a PowerPoint presentation which the Board received a copy at their desk. Ms. Smith asked about the \$25,000+ the District spent in FY2008, but was funded \$80,000. Does the District get the difference? Ms. Jamison said the District gets what was spent for eligible services. Mr. Hall said last year the District was in the process of making students ID unique. What is the progress on this? Ms. Jamison said they have created these and will pass them out this year. This will make the students more accountable when they log in. Mr. Hall asked if the District has looked at the possibility of going to virtual machines. Ms. Jamison said this is a possibility. There is some E-Rate funding that will allow for upgrades to the server and she will look at virtualization or possibly going to the cloud so the District does not have to house so much equipment. Chairman Priester asked about E-Rate funding – do you foresee any changes in this funding in the coming fiscal year. Ms. Jamison said it is hard to say what will happen at this point. She does not know of any cutbacks for this funding, but anything is possible. Mr. Hall asked if the District is still under Novell. Ms. Jamison said Novell is going away and for basic maintenance the District has a contract with CSI and they will be able to offer support.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Budget Changes Report – June 1-30, 2011 – Ms. Angela Grant, Coordinator of Fiscal Services said this report details the transfers for the month of June in the general fund.

Budget Report by Function – June 1-30, 2011 – Ms. Grant said this was also included in the Board packets. This report is not the final report. Additional tax revenues will be added and reported later. The expenditures in the report are not final. Some adjustments will be made in grants that affect the general fund. The total revenue for the month of June is \$538,322 and the total year-to-date is \$11,577,492.40. The next 6 pages of the report for June the current expenditure is \$1,604,193 and year-to-date total for the general fund is \$11,005,768. The last page is a detailed report. Ms. Mole asked if the auditors have started working on the audit for the past fiscal year and is there a deadline. Ms. Grant said they have started and will return in August.

PERSONNEL: Approval of Personnel Recommendations – Ms. Rivers, Director of Personnel asked the Board to accept the certified recommendations on the information discussed in executive session. Ms. Mole moved to accept the recommendations. Mr. Hall seconded. The motion was approved by all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrative Staff Planning Meeting – July 26-27, 2011 - AFHS

Tuesday – August 9, 2011 – New Teacher Orientation

August 10-12, 2011 – Professional Development Days

Tuesday, August 16, 2011 – First Day for Students

SCSBA School Law Conference – August 27-28, 2011 – Charleston, SC – Charleston Marriott

Dr. McClain recognized the citizens who are present tonight and said they are instrumental in waging a petition campaign in support of public education in this County and School District. They appreciate what the group is doing.

Executive Session: Ms. Mole moved that the Board return to executive session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss personnel. Mr. Hall seconded. The motion was approved by all.

Open Session: Secretary Smith reported that Mr. Cave moved to come out of executive session at 8:31 p.m. Ms. Mole seconded. The motion was approved by all. No action was taken on the item discussed in executive session.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.