

Hampton District One

Minutes

Meeting Type: Scheduled Board Meeting

Location: Ben Hazel

Date: 9/28/2015 7:00:00 PM

Hampton School District # 1

Board of Trustees Meeting

Ben Hazel Primary School

September 28, 2015

Members present: Mrs. Hannah B. Priester, Vice Chairman
Mrs. Libby Murdaugh, Secretary/Treasurer

Mr. Theodore V. Murdaugh, Member

Mr. Phillip Strother, Sr., Member

Absent: Mr. Eugene Jenkins, Jr., Chairman

Staff present: Dr. Douglas E. McTeer, Jr.

Ms. Toreacher Dobson

Mrs. Amelia E. Smith, Recorder

Mrs. Priester called the meeting to order and Rev. James Porter gave the invocation.

In accordance with the SC Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80 (d), as amended, the media has been notified of the time, date and place of this meeting (WBHC Radio Station and the Hampton County Guardian). In addition, the official agenda has been posted at the District Office.

Mrs. Priester welcomed the public to the board meeting. There was no media present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Murdaugh.

School Spotlight

Mr. Ackerman discussed Ben Hazel's good PASS scores. Ms. Leah Stanley led the chorus in a song.

The agenda was approved as presented.

The minutes of the September 28, 2015 meeting were approved as presented.

Public Participation

Several parents voiced their concerns on the issue of restructuring Varnville and Ben Hazel. Dr. McTeer explained that it did not appear to be necessary to make a change at this time.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

Mrs. Murdaugh moved to approve an overnight field trip for WHHS JAG students to attend the National Student Leadership Academy in Arlington, VA December 2-6, 2015. Mr. Murdaugh seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Strother moved to elect Mr. Jenkins as delegate and Mr. Strother as alternate to the S.C. School Board Association Delegate Assembly December 5, 2015 at Hilton Head, SC. Mrs. Murdaugh seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.

The new hires will be discussed in executive session.

Superintendent's Report

To this point, the District has borrowed \$1 million in operating funds. Of that amount, \$600,000 is still available.

The work on the fence at North District Middle School is about 95% complete.

Lee Mixson and F.M. Young plan to look at the irrigation plans and the existing electrical system at North District Middle School either today or tomorrow.

The Town of Varnville has ordered the District to remove the old house next to the District Office. We are contacting DHEC to see if we can tear down the old house and obtain an asbestos waiver.

Wade Hampton has been awarded a Learn 2 Earn Grant of \$30,000 to upgrade the Mechatronics lab. The possibility of awarding Fire Fighter certification is being reviewed. Discussions are taking place concerning the need to expand career exploration for middle school students. It appears that Law Enforcement would be a good vocational program to add at Wade Hampton. Either Cosmetology or Automotive Repair should also be considered.

The State Supreme Court has ordered the legislature to submit a plan regarding the Equity Lawsuit by February 1, 2016.

Mrs. Murdaugh moved to enter into executive session to discuss a student discipline matter, personnel matter, and a legal issue. Mr. Strother seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.

The Board reconvened in Open Session.

Open Session

Mrs. Murdaugh moved that students #1 and #2 attend the afterschool program managed by Ms. Brantley at North District Middle School. Mr. Murdaugh seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Mrs. Murdaugh moved to expel student #3 for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year. In order for student #3 to return for the 2016-2017 school year, student #3 must appear before the Board. Mr. Murdaugh seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Mrs. Murdaugh moved to expel student #4 for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year. In order for student #4 to return for the 2016-2017 school year, student #4 must appear before the Board. Mr. Murdaugh seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Mrs. Murdaugh moved to accept the resignation of Shelby Simmons from Fennell Elementary School. Mr. Murdaugh seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Murdaugh moved to adjourn. Mr. Strother seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.