

ORANGEBURG COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT THREE

Regular Board of Trustees Meeting,

1654 Camden Road

Holly Hill, SC 29059

December 11, 2018

6:30 P.M.

The Board of Trustees of Orangeburg County Consolidated School District Three met on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. The following individuals were present: Vice Chair Dennis White, Parliamentarian Kenneth Hilliard, Secretary Catherine Shuler, Board Member Barbara Butler, Board Member Alice Pickney (Absent), Superintendent Jesulon Gibbs-Brown, Associate Superintendent Gerald Wright, Director of Human Resources Joann Lawton, Federal Programs Director Janice Rivers, Accountability and Assessment Director Loretta Washington, Business Manager Gail Sanders, Director of Special Services Liana Calloway, Principal Latonya Durant, Auditor Dawn Strickland of McGregor and Company, Board Recording Secretary Gloria Middleton, District Attorney Imani Newborn of White & Story Law Office, representative from Holly Hill Observer newspaper, District staff and community members.

In accordance with the SC Code of Law, 1976, Sections 90-4-9 (d) as amended, notices were given to the Times & Democrat and Holly Hill Observer/The Striper newspapers of the time, date and place of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER/PRAYER FOR BOARD TRUSTEES

Vice-Chair Dennis White called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and Barbara Butler prayed for Board Trustees.

Dr. Gibbs-Brown conducted the Election of Board Officers. The results were as follows:

- Barbara Butler nominated Dennis White to serve as Board Chair. Catherine Shuler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.
- Catherine Shuler nominated Kenneth Hilliard to serve as Board Vice-Chair. Barbara Butler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.
- Barbara Butler nominated Catherine Shuler to continue serving as Board Secretary. Dennis White seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.
- Kenneth Hilliard nominated Barbara Butler to serve as Parliamentarian of the Board. Catherine Shuler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

After the election of Board Officers, Chairman Dennis White continued with the meeting as outlined.

Dr. Gibbs-Brown requested that the Agenda be amended to reflect the addition of a Field Trip Request item under "For Approval."

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Catherine Shuler made a motion to approve the agenda with the additional Field Trip Request item under "For Approval." Barbara Butler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kenneth Hilliard made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 13, 2018 meeting. Barbara Butler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND UPDATE REQUESTED BY BOARD – J. Gibbs-Brown

Dr. Gibbs-Brown stated that Board Meetings are being held for the new Orangeburg County School District. Board Members have been sworn in, and they have a lot of work to do. They may be requesting additional assistance from the Transition Team. A meeting is scheduled to be held December 12, 2018, for the Transition Team to begin presenting recommendations.

An Active Shooter Training was held at Lake Marion High School on November 27, 2018, and trainings will be held at individual sites by the end of this school year. SLED provided assistance during the training, and they required rosters with the names of everyone who attended the session.

Dr. Gibbs-Brown is the co-chair for One Orangeburg Education Task Force. The Task Force would like to work with the EEDA Career Counselors to support their initiatives and assist in planning a forum. She is also a newly appointed board member for Orangeburg County Chamber of Commerce. The three Orangeburg Superintendents and Teachers of the Year met on December 10, 2018, to discuss the consolidation and answer any questions they had. Their goal is to be a voice for teachers.

Other highlights regarding Dr. Gibbs-Brown participation in school and community events for the period of November 15, 2018 – December 10, 2018 include (a copy is included in these minutes):

- Enrich Consolidation Planning Meeting w/Directors of Technology
- SCSU School of Education Partnership Meeting
- Orangeburg County School District Transition Committee
- Districtwide Active Shooter Training
- Orangeburg County School District 1st Board Meeting
- One Orangeburg County Education and Workforce Committee Meeting
- Reviewer of Student Presentations
- Monthly Principals' Meeting
- Board of Directors for Orangeburg Chamber of Commerce Meeting
- SCSBA School Boards Legislative Advocacy Conference
- Superintendents and District Teachers of the Year Lunch Meeting

FOR INFORMATION**Audit Report - Dawn Strickland, McGregor & Company**

Dr. Gibbs-Brown introduced Dawn Strickland of McGregor and Company and informed the Board that she had completed the 2017-18 audit report that ended June 30, 2018 and that she would be presenting the audit report (see the June 30, 2018 Audit Report).

Mrs. Strickland's report included the following information.

- This audit was an unmodified opinion on June 30, 2018, financial statements.
- The General Fund's fund balance decreased by \$945,036 to arrive at a \$5,122,370 fund balance as of June 30, 2018.
- The Adopted GASB 75 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions, which required restatement of both Government-Wide (decreased \$29,953,780) and the Business Type Activities (decreased \$866,036) as of 6/30/18 net position.

- In our report on Internal Controls over financial reporting and compliance based on an audit in accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we noted one (1) material weakness in internal controls and two (2) instances of noncompliance that are detailed in the schedule of findings and questioned costs.
- In our report on compliance for each major federal program and internal control over compliance as required under Uniform Guidance, we issued a qualified opinion on the Child Nutrition Cluster and an unmodified opinion on the remaining major program. We also noted one material weakness finding on the internal control over compliance.

Budget Update – Gail Sanders

Gail Sanders gave the budget report for November 1, 2018 through November 30, 2018. Total revenues were \$1,292,646.00 and expenditures were \$2,104,049.13. Mrs. Sanders indicated that we have not received much revenues from taxes paid to date, but we should be receiving more soon (a copy is included in these minutes).

C & I – Accountability and Assessment – Loretta G. Washington

Mrs. Washington distributed binders with information regarding report cards that were released to the public recently. The binder could be used as a guide to understand data and other report card information (a copy is included in these minutes).

Operations and Athletics Updates – Gerald Wright

Gerald Wright presentation included the items below (a copy is included in these minutes).

- Bids have been received for Holly Hill-Roberts Middle roofing project. The price range for the project is \$1,277,000 - \$1,740,000. RoofCo from Sumter, South Carolina was the low bidder. The agreement is being finalized and they will begin by the end of December/January.
- Outside lights at Elloree Elementary School have structural damage to the wires, pole, light and fixtures. Three of them need to be replaced.
- General maintenance during the winter break include floors, painting and carpentry.
- Three vehicles, security cameras at two remaining schools (SJG and HHE) and IT equipment were purchased with USDA Grant funds .
- Safety Grant (\$60,000) – will be used to purchase bus camera/hard drives, medical supplies/Equipment, File server core switches that have already been installed at SJG and DO. Others are scheduled to be replaced during the Winter Break at VPE, HH-RM, HHE, EES, and LMHS.
- Risky Business Grant will be used to purchase digital two-way radios at the elementary schools. LMHS will get the most current version.
- Athletics – Christmas Tournament for boys will take place on December 26-29, 2018. LMHS HKT, and Edisto will be the host sites on December 26-27, 2018. O-W will be the host site for the finals. The girls will participate in the North Tournament on December 27-29, 2018.

FOR APPROVAL

2018-19 Budget Amendment – Gail Sanders

Mrs. Sanders presented a budget amendment in the amount of \$695,131.00 from the Fund Balance to pay the final acquisition lease payment, pay funds (estimate) for a computer lease buyout, and Recruitment Fees 2018-19 (a copy is included in these minutes).

Kenneth Hilliard made a motion to approve a budget amendment request in the amount of \$695,131.00. Barbara Butler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

Field Trip Request – Gerald Wright

Gerald Wright presented field trip requests to the Jr. Beta Club Convention in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on January 16-18, 2019 (2 days), for students at Ellore Elementary, Holly Hill Elementary, St. James–Gaillard Elementary, Vance-Providence Elementary, and Holly Hill-Roberts Middle. He recommended that the trips be approved (a copy is included in these minutes)..

Barbara Butler made a motion to approve the two-day trip to the Beta Club Convention. Catherine Shuler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

Barbara Butler made a motion to go in to Executive Session. Kenneth Hilliard seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Barbara Butler made a motion to reconvene in Open Session. Catherine Shuler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

ACTION AS REQUIRED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Kenneth Hilliard made a motion to have appraisal done on 67 acres of land on Highway 210 at the owner's expense. Catherine Shuler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

Barbara Butler made a motion for Student A to remain in Infinity. Catherine Shuler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

Catherine Shuler made a motion for Instructional Aide A to go on unpaid leave. Kenneth Hilliard seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

Barbara Butler made a motion to accept the recommendation for Teacher A to resign. Kenneth Hilliard seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

Kenneth Hilliard made a motion to change the date of the January 8, 2019 Board Meeting to January 15, 2019. Catherine Shuler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

Catherine Shuler made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Barbara Butler seconded the motion and the vote was in favor.

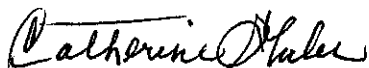
The next meeting will be held January 15, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

The meeting ended at 10:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gloria Middleton, Recording Secretary



Catherine Shuler, Board Secretary