

HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES – Board Work Session/Board Meeting

October 1, 2007

District Office

6:00 p.m.

The following persons were present:

Board Members:	Ronald Bessant Joe DeFeo Harvey Eisner Will Garland	Bill Graham MaryEllen Greene Charles Hucks Paul Hudson	Kay Loftus Paul Peterson Chris Shannon Pam Timms
Acting Superintendent	Bobby Nalley		
District Office Staff:	Gretchen Almeida Edward Boyd James Bradley Teal Britton Dottie Brown Carolyn Chestnut Ed Curlee	Wanda Fulwood John Gardner Kenneth Generette Ben Hardee Harrell Hardwick Leon Hayes Paul Hickman	Mollie Laut H.T. Lee Rick Maxey Gail Moss Boone Myrick Jeff Riddle Brian Roessler
Media:	Robert Anderson, Horry Independent Jessica Foster, Sun News		

Meeting Notification: As required by SC Law §30-4-80, all local news media were informed of the date, time, place, and agenda of this meeting, and copies of the agenda were posted at the district office. Agenda copies were also distributed to all schools for posting.

CALL TO ORDER

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Dr. Paul Peterson offered the invocation and the led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

ACTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Greene, second by Mr. Hudson, the Board unanimously approved the agenda, including both the Work Session and the Special Called Meeting, with the following revisions:

- ***Section 5 was changed from “Special Called Meeting” to “Business.”***
- ***Business #5.2.—Consent Agenda was changed to Business #6—Consent Agenda.***
- ***Personnel Items Required by Law was changed from Business #5.2.1. to Business #6.1.***

INFORMATION

Presentation of Check from HTC – Ms. Carolyn Tilton, Major Account Executive with Horry Telephone Cooperative, presented the district with checks totaling \$31,579.54, which was for capital credits refunded to Horry County Schools.

Early College High School – Joan Grimmatt presented a report on the second year of the district’s Early College High School.

Capital Improvement Projects – Harrell Hardwick provided an update on the annual capital improvement projects in the amount of \$5 million that was approved by the Board in May 2007.

Portable Classrooms Moved During Summer – Mr. Hardwick reported that the district’s Maintenance Department, under the direction of Wayne Smith, successfully relocated 61 portable classrooms during the summer. He commended the district staff, as well as school personnel, for the tremendous

amount of coordination and hard work necessary for a project of this magnitude.

Superintendent's Comments – The Acting Superintendent had no comments.

Adjournment of Work Session

ACTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Greene, second by Mr. Shannon, the Board Work Session was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Special Called Session

The Board Chair called the Special Called Session to order at 6:38 p.m.

Executive Session

ACTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Greene, second by Mr. Hucks, the Board reconvened in Executive Session for the discussion of the superintendent search and related legal issues.

Open Session

ACTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Loftus, second by Ms. Timms, the Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:47 p.m.

Business

Superintendent Search

ACTION: Upon motion by Mr. DeFeo, second by Mrs. Greene, the Board unanimously approved the Board's authorization of the Board Chairman and the District's legal counsel to proceed with identification of and potential contractual arrangements with a professional search firm to conduct a search for a superintendent for Horry County Schools.

Advisory Board Appointments

ACTION: Upon motion by Mr. Graham, second by Mrs. Greene, the Board unanimously approved the appointments of Edwinna Spencer and Jody Wert to the Carolina Forest Advisory Board to complete terms that will expire in 2008.

Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB)

ACTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Greene, second by Mr. Eisner, the Board unanimously approved the authorization of the District to submit an application to utilize the QZAB program.

Consent Agenda

Personnel Items Required by Law

ACTION: Upon motion by Ms. Timms, second by Mr. Hudson, the Board unanimously approved professional personnel recommendations as submitted.

DEBRIEFING

All Board members agreed that they adhered to the principles of Coherent Governance during the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: At 8:52 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Hudson, second by Mrs. Greene, the Board adjourned the Special Called Meeting

Wanda J. Fulwood
Exec. Asst. to the Board and Superintendent

Approved: October 15, 2007