

**FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 29, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Faith L. Truesdale, Vice Chairman
Mr. Andrew B. Gaster
Mrs. DeAnna H. Green
Mr. Ervin J. Richardson

Mrs. Mary C. Powell
Mr. Joshua B. Timmons
Mr. Frank A. Travaglio

STAFF PRESENT:

Mrs. Allana Prosser, Superintendent
Mr. Brian Goins
Mr. Adam Kennedy
Mrs. Beth Snowden

Mrs. Mirandi Squires
Mr. Sam Tuten
Mrs. Wanda Willis
Mrs. Tina Williams, Recorder

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Brenda Jackson, Auditor

The Board of Trustees of Florence County School District Five met for regular session on Monday, November 29, at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office.

1. **Call to Order, Welcome, and Pledge of Allegiance** – Vice Chairman Truesdale called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. She welcomed those present and asked everyone to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Confirmation of Notice to Media** – Vice Chairman Truesdale stated that in accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80(e), the following were notified of this meeting: *Morning News, NPO News, WMBF-TV, WPDE-TV*, and www.fsd5.org.
3. **Approval of Agenda** – The Agenda was approved by general consent of the board.
4. **Public Forum** – There was no one present to address the board in Public Forum.
5. **Recognition of Re-elected, New Board Members, and Oath of Office**
 - A. Mrs. Prosser recognized Mr. Andrew Gaster for his re-election to the board and welcomed him for another three-year term.
 - B. Mrs. Prosser administered the Oath of Office to Mrs. Mary Powell and Mr. Frank Travaglio, and they were seated as new board members.
6. **Consent Agenda (A-D)** – Vice Chairman Truesdale reviewed the items of the Consent Agenda which included Board Minutes for October 25, 2021, Monthly Financial Statement for October, School Food Service Statement FY 2021, and School Food Services Statements for July, August, September, and October. All items passed by general consent of the board.
7. **Regular Agenda**
 - A. Presentation of the 2020-21 Fiscal Audit – Mrs. Brenda Jackson presented the audit report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. She stated that the FY 2021 General Fund balance of \$2,313,537 equates to 88 days of operating capital and falls within the acceptable range established by the state. The 2020-21 General Fund ended with a positive balance of \$576,886. The Independent Auditor’s Report revealed a clean, unmodified opinion, which is the top opinion that can be received.

B. Superintendent's Report:

1. Operational Updates – Mrs. Prosser told members that COVID-19 cases were zero. She said that a recent parent vaccine survey reflected 123 responses with 31 parents interested in their child receiving a vaccine.
2. Instructional Updates – Mrs. Prosser said that in 2020 Johnsonville High School students reached an average composite score of 18.3 making it the only public, non-magnet high school to approach the state average of 18.4 and ranking in the top four highest performing on the ACT in the Pee Dee Region. She gave an update on Capturing Kids Hearts and upcoming events. Mrs. Prosser reviewed a parent e-Learning survey and explained that e-Learning days will only be utilized for inclement weather days and emergency closures. She told members that the I Lead Leadership Program is being taught through the JMS Social Studies classes for the next few weeks. She reflected on several successful fall school activities and reviewed upcoming events through the end-of-the-year.

8. For Action Agenda

A. Acceptance of 2020-21 Fiscal Audit – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Richardson, that the Board give acceptance to the 2020-21 General Fund Audit. The motion carried unanimously.

B. First Reading of the Following Policies:

1. ECA (Security)
2. ECAF (Video Monitoring/Building and Grounds)
3. ECAG (Video Monitoring/School Buses)

Mr. Timmons moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the board give First Reading to Policies ECA (Security, ECAF (Video Monitoring/Building and Grounds), and ECAG (Video Monitoring/School Buses). The motion carried unanimously.

4. IKF-R (Graduation Requirements) – Mr. Richardson moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the board give First Reading to IKF-R (Graduation Requirements). The motion carried unanimously.

C. Second Reading of the Following Policies:

1. ADD (Face Covering) – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Timmons, that the board give Second Reading to Policy ADD (Face Covering). The motion carried unanimously.
2. IKA-R (Grading/Assessment Systems) – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Timmons, that the board give Second Reading to Policy IKA-R (Grading/Assessment Systems). The motion carried unanimously.

9. **Executive Session** – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Timmons, that the board enter the Executive Session Agenda to discuss Student Discipline. The motion carried unanimously, and the board entered Executive Session at 7:41 p.m.

10. **Reconvene in Open Session with Action if Necessary from Executive Session**– Following Executive Session, Vice Chairman Truesdale called the meeting to order in Open Session at 8:40 p.m. with no action taken.

11. **Election of Officers** - In Election of Officers, Mrs. Prosser declared all positions vacant and then opened the floor for nominations.

Mrs. Prosser called for nominations for chairman. Mr. Gaster nominated Mr. Timmons as chairman, seconded by Mrs. Truesdale. Mr. Timmons was declared chairman by a vote of 6-0-1, with Mr. Timmons abstaining.

Mrs. Prosser called for nominations for vice chairman. Mr. Travaglio nominated Mrs. Green for vice chairman, seconded by Mrs. Truesdale. Mr. Timmons nominated Mr. Richardson for vice chairman, seconded by Mr. Gaster. A discussion ensued and Mrs. Green said she would fill the secretary office.

Mrs. Prosser called for a vote in favor of Mr. Richardson for vice chairman, and he was declared vice chairman by a vote of 6-0-1, with Mr. Richardson abstaining.

Mrs. Prosser asked for a vote in favor of Mrs. Green for secretary, and she was declared secretary by a vote of 6-0-1, with Mrs. Green abstaining.

12. **Adjournment** - There being no further business, Mr. Gaster moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Tina Williams, Board Secretary

Minutes Approved