

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

CALLED MEETING

JULY 23, 2026

12:00 Noon

MINUTES

The called meeting of the Sumter County Board of Education was called to order at 12:00 noon by Vice Chairman Carolyn Hamilton with the following other members present: Dwight Harris, Edward Jackson and Vincent Kearse.

Patricia Harris participated virtually.

Members absent: Abbis Bivins and Rick Barnes

A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prior to the adoption of the agenda, the Superintendent, Jerry Sanders, added three items: (1) adjusting the work year for social workers from 220 days to 210 days, (2) a non-certified salary adjustment to be discussed in executive session, and (3) a report from the Department of Audits. Mr. Kearse made a motion to adopt the agenda as revised, which was seconded by Mr. Jackson. The motion carried unanimously, and the agenda was adopted.

Mr. Kearse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve the Student Handbook, Employee Handbook, and School Food Nutrition Handbook. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kearse, to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve a contract with S & W Contractors in the amount of \$44,612.57 for touch-up painting of the hallways and cafeteria at Sumter County Intermediate School. The motion carried unanimously.

The Superintendent recommended adjusting the work year for social workers from 220 days to 210 days. Mr. Kearse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve the Superintendent's recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 12:27 p.m. by Mr. Jackson; seconded by Mr. Kearse to enter into executive session for the following reasons, as read by the vice chairman: To discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee or to interview applicants for the position of superintendent; (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2)). To consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the school district or an officer or employee or in which the officer or employee may be directly involved; (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1)). The motion was carried unanimously.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made at 1:22 p.m. by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Kearse to return to open session; motion was carried unanimously.

The following personnel matters were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Jackson; second by Mr. Harris:

Employments

Ladaisha Rumph
Meionne Holsey
DeMarcus Holsey
Michael Bobbitt
Xzavier Hawkins
Rodrick Smith
Brenda Hamilton
Elizabeth Scott
Traci Paulk
Jala James

Resignations
Heather Jackson
Yessenia Martinez
Chelsey Kimbrough

<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Transfer from</u>	<u>Transfer to</u>	<u>Location</u>
Teresa Banks	SCPS SFN	SCMS SFN	SCMS
Warren Jones	SCHS SFN	SCPS SFN	SCPS
Tiffany Smith	SCES SFN	SCPS SFN	SCPS
Tanya Green	SCHS SFN	SCPS SFN	SCPS
James Cross	SCES SFN	SCHS SFN	SCHS
Miracle Campbell McCook	SCES SFN	SCIS Asst. Mgr.	SCIS
Casandra Roberts	Admin. Asst. SCHS	Family Engagement	C. O.
Willie Hayes	SCPS Head Custodian	SCIS Head Custodian	SCIS
Geneva Waters	SCHS Head Custodian	Lead Custodian	C.O.
Jeffery Boges	Asst. Principal SCPS	Asst. Principal 50%	SCHS
		Transportation Admin. 50%	Bus Shop

Family Medical Leave Act Request

Contracted Services
Patience Jackson, Pre-School Special Education Paraprofessional Aide at SCPS
(Replacing Cambria Barner)

Administrative Pay Scale Recommendations
Director of Operations
Director of Professional Learning/Assessment/Tribunal
Director of Student Support Services
Director of Federal Programs
Director of Finance
Director of Technology

Non-certified Salary Adjustment
Supplemental Attendance Clerk

Mr. Kearse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harris, to approve the Superintendent's contract for the term of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, effective retroactively to July 1, 2026. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Mr. Kearse made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Jackson. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 1:29 p.m.


Chairman


Secretary