

Bamberg County School District
Minutes of Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
Bamberg County School District Office
August 1, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Members present: Board Chair Janeth Walker, Vice Chair Beverly P. Bonaparte, Secretary Tonie A. Holman, Trustee Gwendolyn D. Bamberg, Trustee Harriet H. Coker, Trustee Naomi Eckels, Trustee John L. Hiers, Trustee Cynthia “Cindy” F. Hurst and Trustee Blossom J. Thompson.

Absent: None.

1. **Call meeting to order:** Board Chair Janeth Walker called the meeting to order.

Notice to Media: In accordance with the S. C. Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80(E), The Times and Democrat Newspaper, The Bamberg County Leader, WIIZ 97.9 FM, WBSC-LP 102.3 FM, and the Bamberg County School District website have been notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting.

2. **Approval of Agenda**
Vice Chair Beverly Bonaparte moved and Trustee Blossom Thompson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 9-0.
3. **Approval of Minutes for June 15, 2022, June 21, 2022, June 28, 2022, June 30, 2022, and July 1, 2022.** **Vice Chair Beverly Bonaparte moved and Secretary Tonie Holman seconded to accept the June 15, 2022, June 21, 2022, June 28, 2022, June 30, 2022 and July 1, 2022 meeting minutes as presented.** The motion passed 9-0.
4. **School Reports: Chastity Evans, Denise L. Miller, Jordan Smith, Rhonda Ray, Patricia Moultrie-Goldsmith, and Deonia Simmons. Hand-outs: School Reports (Reviewed by Principals/Assistant Principals)**
 - Richard Carroll Elementary School –Assistant Principal April Morgan in the absence of Principal Chastity Evans
 - Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle School – Principal Denise Miller
 - Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School – Principal Jordan Smith
 - Denmark-Olar Elementary School – Superintendent Dottie Brown in the absence of Principal Rhonda Ray
 - Denmark-Olar Middle School – Principal Patricia Moultrie-Goldsmith
 - Denmark-Olar High School – Principal Deonia Simmons
5. **Athletic Reports: Robert Williams**
Athletic Director Robert Williams introduced all district-wide fall coaches and assistant coaches. [Board Packet Enclosure]
6. **Student/Staff Recognition and Superintendent’s Report**
 - a) Superintendent Brown began by extending her appreciation to all the faculty, staff, custodians, district office personnel and athletic department staff for their continued commitment and hard work.

- b) Dr. Brown advised there would be no finance report presented this month.
- c) Dr. Brown recognized several community members: Annie Walters with Save the Children and Latisha Dowling with Denmark Technical College/Gear Up/Denmark Cares, for their donations in support of the back-to-school bashes and school supplies for the entire county.

7. **Elective Course Approval:**

- a. Assigned Supervision (379921CW-Semester-Long-1 credit) -- BEHS
- b. Assigned Supervision (379921CH-Quarter-Long-0.5 credit) -- BEHS
- c. Work Experience (379925CH-Quarter-Long-0.5 credit) – BEHS

Superintendent Brown introduced the proposal to offer Assigned Supervision as a semester or quarter long elective course and Work Experience as a quarter long course to high school students.

Following the proposal, Trustee John Hiers moved and Secretary Tonie Holman seconded to approve Assigned Supervision (379921CW), Assigned Supervision (379921CH), and Work Experience (379925CH) as elective courses for high school students. The motion passed 9-0. [Board Packet Enclosures]

8. **Visitor's Comments**

None.

9. **Executive Session**

Board Chair Janeth Walker called for a motion to enter Executive Session. Trustee Cynthia Hurst moved and Secretary Tonie Holman seconded to enter Executive Session. The motion carried 9-0.

Board Chair Janeth Walker noted that the Board would be moving into Executive Session to discuss Employment/Personnel: Personnel Recommendations for Hire, Personnel Recommendations for Resignation, and Discussion of Release of Students.

Open session: Trustee Cynthia Hurst moved and Trustee Harriet Coker seconded for the Board to come out of Executive Session and return to the regular session of the meeting. The motion carried 9-0.

10. **Action on Executive Session Items**

Trustee John Hiers moved and Trustee Harriet Coker seconded to approve Agenda Item 9 (a) (1) Personnel Recommendations for Hire for employees a and b and Agenda Item 9 (b) Discussion of Release of Students for students 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. The motion passed 9-0.

There was no action taken on Agenda Item 9 (a) (2) Personnel Recommendations for Resignation as there were no recommendations at this time.

11. **Adjourn**

Vice Chair Beverly Bonaparte moved and Trustee Blossom Thompson seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 9-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Minutes approved:

Janeth Walker, Board Chair

Tonie A. Holman, Secretary