

(Minutes submitted are unofficial until approved at the next month's regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.)

**FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 22, 2024**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Ervin J. Richardson, Chairman
Mrs. Deanna H. Green

Mrs. Mary C. Powell
Mr. Frank A. Travaglio

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Andrew B. Gaster
Mr. Roger A. Parsons

Mr. Joshua B. Timmons

STAFF PRESENT:

Mrs. Allana Prosser, Superintendent
Mrs. Robin Altman, Recorder
Mr. Paul Amann
Mrs. Lacinda Burrows
Mr. Terrell Fleming

Mr. Brian Goins
Mr. Adam Kennedy
Mrs. Mirandi Squires
Mrs. Wanda Willis
Mrs. Lauren Williams

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Justin Shutt, Schneider Electric

The Board of Trustees of Florence County School District Five met for regular session on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office Board Room.

1. **Call to Order, Welcome, and Pledge of Allegiance** – Chairman Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He welcomed those present and asked everyone to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Confirmation of Notice to Media** – Chairman Richardson stated that in accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80(E), the following were notified of this meeting: *Morning News, NPO News, Post & Courier* 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. **Consent Agenda (A-C)** – Chairman Richardson reviewed the items of the Consent Agenda which included Board Minutes for March 25, 2024, Monthly Financial Statement for March 2024, and the School Food Services Statement for March 2024. All items passed by general consent of the Board.
6. **Regular Agenda**
 - A. Superintendent's Report
 1. Operations Updates – Mr. Adam Kennedy began with an update from technology. Interactive Panels have been installed at JES and feedback from teachers has been positive. Special Services migration from Enrich IEP to SC Edplan is in progress. Student registration for the 2024-2025 school year is currently set to open May 1, 2024. Interim reports this quarter will all be sent to parents through BrightArrow email. In updates from Safety and Security, the SC Safer Schools Grant Project is

underway for door lock replacement. Other ongoing projects include the COPS SVPP Grant Project for athletic field cameras and District Office access control. Anticipated completion of both projects should be this summer. Clear bag policy for all students will be implemented by each school for the 2024-2025 School Year.

Additional weapons detectors have been ordered. JMS and JHS will implement the use of detectors during arrival for students and visitors. JES will implement the use of detectors for visitors. District phones will be upgraded with extensive capabilities and also a cost savings for the district. Facilities update notes that Requests for Purposal have been issued for JHS Track resurfacing and painting at all three schools.

- a. Schneider Electric Representative, Justin Shutt, presented a Phase 1 Project Summary for the multi-faceted, multi-phased, infrastructure improvement program to modernize schools, bolster safety, drive efficiency and streamline operations. Marketing, Branding and Community Engagement has been underway. Student involvement will continue with the Construction Phase of the project kicking off in May. Lighting, Phones, Weatherization, and Windows have all been assessed with recommendations for improvement.
2. Academics Updates – Mr. Goins began his update with an extensive breakdown of the Spring iReady scores. This data provides great information to assist in continued growth planning for our students. Current Grad Rate and College and Career Ready data was presented. The implementation of Health Science Curriculum has begun allowing us to offer Health Science for the 2024-2025 School Year.
3. Finance Updates – Mrs. Wanda Willis presented a handout of the 2024-2025 General Fund Proposed Budget in the amount of \$13,357,190 for Second Reading and Adoption. The 2024-2025 State Minimum Salary Schedule Increase was presented with a breakdown of certified staff by degrees.
4. Updates and Events – Mrs. Allana Prosser highlighted April activities. FSD5 hosted Special Olympics for our District along with FSD2. We had great support from our faculty, staff, and students helping make this a huge success. This was a nice event for our special needs students, parents, and community. The Cast from Johnsonville presented two excellent showings of Annie, Jr. with special guests, Ellen Weaver, SC State Superintendent of Education, along with Senator and Mrs. Mike Reichenbach in attendance. JES hosted their Daddy / Daughter Dance and Movies with Mom. They had an excellent turn out for both of these events. Mrs. Prosser presented a list of upcoming events for the month of May.

7. For Action Agenda

- A. Second Reading and Adoption of 2024-2025 Proposed General Fund Budget – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the Board approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the 2024-2025 Proposed General Fund Budget as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- B. First Reading of Revision of Policy JICDA-R (Code of Conduct) – Mr. Travaglio moved, seconded by Mrs. Green, that the Board approve the First Reading of the Revision of Policy JICDA-R. The motion carried unanimously.
- C. Second Reading of Revision of Policy JICJ (Possession/Use of Electronic Communication Devices in School) – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the Board approve the Second Reading of Policy Revision JICJ. The motion carried unanimously.

8. **Executive Session** – Mr. Travaglio moved, seconded by Mrs. Powell, that the Board enter the Executive Session Agenda to discuss Personnel Recommendations, Retiree Recommendations and Resignations. The motion carried unanimously, and the Board entered Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

9. **Reconvene in Open Session with Action, if Necessary, from Executive Session** – Following Executive Session, Mrs. Powell moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the Board exit Executive Session and return to Open Session at 8:51 p.m. with no action taken.
 - A. Personnel Recommendations for Hire – Mrs. Green, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the Personnel Recommendations for Hire be approved as presented by the Superintendent for Candidates A, B, and C. The motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Retiree Recommendations for Hire – Mrs. Green, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the Retiree Recommendations for Hire be approved as presented by the Superintendent in Exhibit A. The motion carried unanimously.
 - C. Resignations – Mrs. Powell moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the resignations be regrettably accepted, for Resignees A and B, as presented by the Superintendent effective the end of the 2023-24 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

10. **Adjournment** – There being no further business, Mr. Travaglio moved, seconded by Mrs. Green, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Robin Altman, Board Secretary

Minutes Approved