

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

CALLED MEETING

JUNE 1, 2026  
12:00 NOON

MINUTES

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

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

Mr. Kearse made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Mr. Jackson; and the motion was carried unanimously.

The amended SCS FY 2026-2027 School Calendar was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Kearse; seconded by Mrs. Hamilton.

A motion was made by Mr. Kearse; seconded by Mr. Jackson to approve the job description for Director of Student Services; motion carried unanimously.

Facility Use Request

Life Transformation – Reach Camp (Eddy Coley) to use the former Ninth Grade Academy – Fresh Start facility for a summer camp from June 1, 2026 – July 17, 2026 (*Fees paid and insurance secured*)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 12:09 p.m. by Mr. Kearse; seconded by Mr. Harris to enter into executive session for the following reasons, as read by the 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.

Dr. Bivins, Chair, left the meeting during executive session.

Mr. Jackson left the meeting after executive session.

OPEN SESSION

Upon the Chair's departure from the meeting, Vice Chairman, Mrs. Hamilton assumed the chair. At 1:49 p.m., she called for a motion to enter open session. A motion was made by Mr. Kearse and seconded by Mr. Harris to return to open session; motion was carried unanimously.

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

Contracted Services

2026-2027 Consultant Contracted Services

Employments

Juwan High  
Kameron Cartert

Resignations

Ashleigh Estes  
Hailey Minix  
Brandi Roland

Termination

Renee Breedelove

Transfer

Nakisha Thornton

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Kearse; seconded by Mr. Harris; motion carried unanimously.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary