

**FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 23, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Joshua B. Timmons, Chairman
Mr. Ervin J. Richardson
Mr. Andrew B. Gaster
Mrs. DeAnna H. Green

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

STAFF PRESENT:

Mrs. Allana Prosser, Superintendent
Mrs. Lacinda Burrows
Mr. Ken Cribb
Mr. Brian Goins
Mr. Adam Kennedy

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

OTHERS PRESENT: JHS Varsity Football Team, Cheerleaders, & Parents

The Board of Trustees of Florence County School District Five met for regular session on Monday, January 23, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Johnsonville High School Cafeteria.

1. **Call to Order, Welcome, and Pledge of Allegiance** – Chairman Timmons 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 Timmons 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*, WMBF-TV, WPDE-TV, and www.fsd5.org.
3. **Approval of Agenda** – The Agenda was approved by general consent of the board
4. **Special Recognition**
 - A. FY 2021-22 Boardmanship Institute Recognition
 1. Mrs. DeAnna Green was honored with a certificate for reaching Level 1 for training hours through the South Carolina School Board Association Boardmanship Institute.
 2. Mr. Ervin Richardson was honored with a certificate and pin for reaching Level 2 for training hours through the South Carolina School Board Association Boardmanship Institute.
 - B. Signing of SCSBA Ethical Principles Poster – Mr. Parsons read the Ethical Principles statements, and each member signed the document pledging to uphold the standards. The document will be displayed in the Florence School District Five Boardroom.
 - C. Recognition of JHS Varsity Football Team, Cheerleaders, and Coaches – The Board presented each team member and cheerleader a certificate of appreciation for winning the Class A Lower State Championship.
 - D. Recognition of All-State Football Players and Coach – The Board presented certificates of appreciation to five football players and one volleyball player for being chosen by S.C. High School League as All-State players. Chairman Timmons congratulated Mr. Ken Cribb and presented him with a certificate of appreciation for being the Coach of the Year for Class A Lower State Football.

5. **Public Forum** – There was no one present for Public Forum.
6. **Consent Agenda (A-C)** –Chairman Timmons reviewed the items of the Consent Agenda which included Board Minutes for November 28, 2022, Monthly Financial Statements for November and December, 2022, and School Food Service Statements for November and December, 2022. All items passed by general consent of the board.
7. **Regular Agenda**
 - A. Superintendent’s Report
 1. Legislative Update- Mrs. Prosser gave a legislative update on Educational Bills filed to include Senate Bills S.27, S.3429, S39, S114 and House Bills H3305 and H3154.
 2. Calendar Updates – Mrs. Prosser told the board that two drafts of the upcoming school calendar were sent as a survey to faculty members. Calendar draft 2 was selected and will be presented in the For Action Agenda for first reading. She said the selected calendar was very similar to this year’s school calendar.
 3. 5th Grade Restructure Updates – Mrs. Prosser presented a plan to create a 5th grade Academy for the upcoming school year. She explained it would focus on preparing students both academically and socially for the middle school environment while providing the elementary structure still needed. Mrs. Prosser said the parent survey results were favorable for a 5th grade restructure. She outlined the next steps in order to move forward with the restructure of 5th grade.
 4. Recognitions and Updates – Recognition was given to JMS Junior Beta Club for their outstanding accomplishments at the state convention in Myrtle Beach. Eleven JMS students were selected as Premier Performers and invited to perform at the upcoming National Beta Club Convention this summer in Kentucky. Mrs. Prosser showed the board pictures from the 100th day of school at JES and students who attended the JHS Winter Semi-Formal Dance. She reviewed the records for JMS and JHS basketball and Academic Challenge. A list of upcoming events was provided for the board.
 5. Academic Report – Mr. Goins addressed the board and said the principals would give a brief overview of Formative Assessments, End-of Course scores, and other important information at each school. Mrs. Burrows, Mrs. Squires, and Mr. Tuten all presented information that included fall and winter comparative data, projections, and academic assistance plans.
 6. Facilities Report – Mr. Kennedy gave the following information:
 - A. Safety – Fire alarm panels have been replaced at JES and JHS. CEIA Opengate weapons detectors have been working well at sporting events. All schools will be doing lockdown drills by the end of January.
 - B. Technology – Linewize district pilot has been very successful. GoGuardian has received positive feedback from teachers. Device evaluation will begin soon for student laptop replacement in 2024.
 - C. Maintenance/Facilities – HVAC bids have been received for JHS. RFQ for JHS gym renovation engineering and firm has been selected. RFP has been published to replace the roof on the gym at JES with pre-bid walkthrough scheduled for February 1. The mobile unit at JES and mobile unit at the track field have sold on Govdeals and should be removed within the next ten days. New batting cages at JHS are nearing completion.

8. For Action Agenda

- A. First Reading of 2023-24 Proposed School Calendar – Mr. Gaster moved, seconded by Mr. Richardson, that the board approve the First Reading of the 2023-24 Proposed School Calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- B. Overnight Field Trip Request(s) – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the board approve an Overnight Field Trip Request for JMS PACE to Washington, DC, May 15-17.

9. **Executive Session** – Mr. Travaglio moved, seconded by Mrs. Green, that the board enter the Executive Session Agenda to discuss a Personnel Resignation. The motion carried unanimously, and the board entered Executive Session at 8:37 p.m.

10. **Reconvene in Open Session with Action if Necessary from Executive Session**– Following Executive Session, Mr. Richardson moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the board exit Executive Session and return to Open Session at 9:49 p.m., with no action taken.
- A. Personnel Resignation – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the resignation of a certified teacher (Employee A) be accepted as presented by the superintendent effective the end of the 2022-23 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

11. **Adjournment** - There being no further business, Mr. Richardson moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

Tina Williams, Board Secretary

Minutes Approved