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FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
October 26, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mrs. DeAnna H. Green, Chair
Mr. Andrew B. Gaster
Mr. Roger A. Parsons
Mr. Ervin J. Richardson
Mr. Joshua B. Timmons
Mr. Frank A. Travaglio

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mrs. Mary C. Powell

STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Brian Goins, Superintendent
Mrs. Robin Altman, Recorder
Mr. Paul Amann
Mrs. Wynde Clark
Mrs. Courtney Dennis
Mr. Terrell Fleming
Mr. Landon Johnson
Mr. Adam Kennedy
Mrs. Angela Tanner
Mrs. Wanda Willis

The Board of Trustees of Florence County School District Five met for a regular meeting on Monday, October 26, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Center.

1. **Call to Order, Welcome, and Pledge of Allegiance –** Chair Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. She welcomed those present and asked everyone to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Confirmation of Notice to Media –** Chair Green 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: *SCNOW, Post & Courier, WBTW,* WMBF, WPDE, 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-B)** – Mrs. Green reviewed the items of the Consent Agenda which included Board Minutes for September 28, 2026, and Monthly Financial Statements for September 2026.

6. **Regular Agenda –**
   A. Superintendent's Report – Mr. Goins reported an update of Strategic Plan goals and findings which included student achievement, gifted and talented, End-of-Course testing, school climate, and teacher/admin quality.
   B. Accountability – Mrs. Clark, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Fleming reviewed state report card results for their school. Each principal was proud of the successes from their faculty, staff, and students along with using data findings to help strengthen their weaknesses. Mrs. Tanner reviewed current testing and assessment calendar, reading plan, and professional learning.
   C. Finance – Mrs. Willis informed the board that October is open enrollment for insurance and the 2025-26 audit is in process. She presented an approval request for the board to set aside a General Fund surplus transfer of $200,000 to finish current Capital Projects and $88,000 to Local Transportation.

D. Operations – Mr. Kennedy shared information from facilities for the ongoing athletics and awning projects.
E. Updates and Events – A calendar of upcoming athletic and school events was presented by the superintendent.

7. For Action Agenda

A. Second Reading for the Adoption of new policies. Mr. Timmons moved, seconded by Mr. Richardson, that the board approve the Second Reading for the Adoption of new policies as listed:
   1. Policy BBBD – Board Member Removal from Office
   2. Policy DIG – Whistleblower Protections
   3. Policy GBGAA – Service Animals (Staff)
   4. Policy IKAD – Grade Adjustments
   5. Policy IMBC/IMBC-E – Religious Based Exemptions
   6. JLCDD/JLCDD-R – Service Animals (Students)

   The motion carried unanimously.
B. Second Reading for the Revision of the policies listed. Mr. Richardson moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the board approve the Second Reading for the Revision of:
   1. Policy BIA/BIB – Board Member Training/Development Opportunities
   2. Policy EEA – Student Transportation
   3. Policy IHAL – Religious Instruction
   4. Policy IJ – Instructional Resources and Materials
   5. Policy JH/JH-R – Student Absences and Excuses
   6. Policy JICDA/JICDA-R – Code of Conduct
   7. Policy JICI – Weapons in School
   8. Policy JKD/JKD-R – Suspension of Students
   9. JKE/JKE-R – Expulsion of Students

   The motion carried unanimously.
C. Second Reading for the Revision of Policy Section G (GA-GBEBB-R) – Mr. Gaster moved, seconded by Mr. Parsons, that the board approve the Second Reading of Policy Section G (GA-GBEBB-R). The motion carried unanimously.
D. Overnight Field Trip Request – Mr. Timmons moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the board approve the request for HOSA students to attend the HOSA Conference, March 17-19, 2027, in North Charleston. The motion carried unanimously.
E. Authorization for Fund Changes – Mrs. Green presented the request from the finance department to authorize a General Fund Surplus transfer of $200,000 to Fund 899 and $88,000 to Fund 834 to help with future needs of the district. Mr. Travaglio moved, seconded by Mr. Richardson, that the board authorize this request. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Executive Session – Mr. Gaster moved, seconded by Mr. Timmons, that the board enter the Executive Session Agenda to discuss a contractual issue. 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, Mr. Parsons moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the board exit Executive Session and Return to Open Session at 8:26 p.m. with no action taken.
   A. Contractual Issue – The board exited Executive Session with no action taken regarding the contractual issue.

10. **Adjournment –** There being no further business, Mr. Travaglio moved, seconded by Mr. Richardson, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Green called the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

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Robin Altman, Board Secretary Minutes Approved