

**FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 28, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

STAFF PRESENT:

Mrs. Allana Prosser, Superintendent	Mrs. Mirandi Squires
Mr. Paul Amann	Mr. Sam Tuten
Mrs. Robin Altman	Mrs. Lauren Williams
Mrs. Lacinda Burrows	Mrs. Wanda Willis
Mr. Adam Kennedy	Mrs. Tina Williams, Recorder

OTHERS PRESENT: Brenda Jackson, CPA

The Board of Trustees of Florence County School District Five met for regular session on Monday, November 28, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office Conference Center.

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. **Recognition of Former Board Member** – Chairman Timmons presented a plaque to Mrs. Faith Truesdale in recognition of six years of service on the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Truesdale addressed the Board and expressed her gratitude for having served in this capacity.
4. **Recognition of Re-elected, New Board Member, and Oath of Office** – Superintendent Prosser administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Joshua Timmons (Seat 2) and Mr. Ervin Richardson (Seat 1) as returning board members. She administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Roger Parsons (At-Large, Seat 5), and he was seated as a new Board Member.
5. **Approval of Agenda** – The Agenda was approved by general consent of the board.
6. **Public Forum** – There was no one present for Public Forum.
7. **Consent Agenda (A-D)** – Chairman Timmons reviewed the items of the Consent Agenda which included Board Minutes for October 24, 2022, Monthly Financial Statement for October, School Food Service Statements for FY 2022, and July – October, 2022. All items passed by general consent of the board.

8. Regular Agenda

A. Superintendent's Report

1. Finance Updates - Presentation of the 2021-22 Fiscal Audit – Mrs. Brenda Jackson presented the audit report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. She stated that the FY 2022 General Fund balance of \$2,797,928 equates to 102 days of operating capital and falls within the acceptable range established by the state. The 2021-22 General Fund ended with a positive balance of \$484,391. The Independent Auditor's Report revealed a clean, unmodified opinion, which is the top opinion that can be received.
2. Operations Updates – Mr. Kennedy gave the following updates:
 - Safety:
 - JMS welcomed Deputy Antonio Addison with the Florence County Sheriff's Office as the new school resource officer.
 - CEIA Opengate weapons detectors arrived and staff was trained on November 15. Screening at sporting events will start with basketball season. Detectors will be used randomly throughout the schools.
 - Preliminary budgetary walkthrough completed on November 14, in preparation for COPS grant application.
 - Fire panel installation for JES and JHS are expected in the coming weeks.
 - Maintenance:
 - HVAC bid process is currently under way.
 - Engineering/Architect RFQ for JHS Gym renovation will be rebid in January 2023.
 - Athletic facilities improvements have begun with the concrete poured for batting cages.
 - Technology:
 - GoGuardian and Linewize implementations with SCDE grants were successful.
 - Server upgrades to Windows Server 2022 have been completed.
 - CTE computers have been ordered for the Business and Technology class at JHS.
3. Academic Updates - Mr. Brian Goins was unable to be present at the meeting to give academic updates.
4. Updates and Events – Mrs. Prosser gave the following updates:
 - Athletics:
 - Cross Country girls placed in the top 10 in the state.
 - Miasa Hamilton was named 2021 and 2022 All-Region Player and Region V Top Player for 2022.
 - JHS Varsity Football Team are the Lower State Champions. General information was given in regards to the 2022 Football State finals.
 - Bright Ideas Grant Award recipients were JES – Kenley Thomas; JMS – Amy Wiggins; and JHS – Jen Hodges.
 - Congratulations given to Miss Gold and Black and Jr Miss Gold and Black winners.
 - The staff and cast of Johnsonville Drama Club conducted three amazing performances of Mary Poppins.
 - All district calendar events can now be found in one location on the district calendar located on our website.

- Great teamwork in regards to our District Strategic and School Renewal Plans, Transcript Audit at JHS, and ESSER funding self-assessment all having positive outcomes.
- Second Annual Fall Fun Fest day was a success.
- A calendar of events was presented to the board for the remainder of the year.

9. For Action Agenda

A. Acceptance of 2021-22 Fiscal Audit – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Richardson, that the Board give acceptance to the 2021-22 General Fund Audit. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Executive Session – Mr. Richardson moved, seconded by Mr. Travaglio, that the board enter the Executive Session Agenda to discuss a Personnel Recommendation for Hire. The motion carried unanimously, and the board entered Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

11. Reconvene in Open Session with Action if Necessary from Executive Session– Following Executive Session, Mr. Travaglio moved, seconded by Mrs. Green, that the board exit Executive Session and return to Open Session at 8:06 p.m., with no action taken.

A. Personnel Recommendation for Hire – Mr. Gaster moved, seconded by Mrs. Green, that the reemployment of Candidate A for high school guidance be accepted as presented by the superintendent. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Election of Officers – In Election of Officers, Mrs. Prosser declared all positions vacant and then opened the floor for nominations.

Mrs. Prosser called for nominations for chairman. Mr. Gaster nominated Mr. Timmons as chairman, seconded by Mr. Travaglio. Mr. Timmons was declared chairman by a vote of 6-0-1, with Mr. Timmons abstaining.

Mrs. Prosser called for nominations for vice chairman. Mr. Travaglio nominated Mr. Richardson for vice chairman, seconded by Mrs. Green. Mr. Richardson was declared vice chairman by a vote of 6-0-1, with Mr. Richardson abstaining.

Mrs. Prosser called for nominations for secretary. Mr. Gaster nominated Mrs. Green for secretary, seconded by Mrs. Powell. Mrs. Green was declared secretary by a vote of 6-0-1, with Mrs. Green abstaining.

13. 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 8:10 p.m.