

**FLORENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 23, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Faith L. Truesdale, Vice Chairman
Mr. Andrew B. Gaster
Mrs. DeAnna H. Green

Mr. Ervin J. Richardson
Mr. Joshua B. Timmons

STAFF PRESENT:

Mrs. Allana Prosser, Superintendent
Mr. Al Calcutt
Ms. Brenda Hannah
Mr. Adam Kennedy
Mrs. Beth Snowden

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

OTHERS PRESENT:

Adult Education Diploma Recipients
Dr. Carol Hill, Director of Florence County Adult Education

The Board of Trustees of Florence County School District Five met for regular session on Monday, August 23, at 7:00 p.m. at Johnsonville Middle School Media Center.

- 1. Call to Order, Welcome, and Pledge of Allegiance** – Vice Chairman Truesdale 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** – Vice Chairman Truesdale stated that in accordance with the South Carolina 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** – Student Releases were moved to after Executive Session For Action.
- 4. Public Forum** – There was no one present to address the board in Public Forum.
- 5. Consent Agenda (A-C)** – Vice Chairman Truesdale reviewed the items of the Consent Agenda which included Board Minutes for June 28, 2021, regular session and July 12, 2021, work session; and Monthly Financial Statements for June and July.
- 6. Special Presentation** – Mrs. Snowden presented two recipients with Adult Education diplomas on behalf of Florence County Adult Education. Mrs. Brenda Hannah and Dr. Carol Hill were both present and gave positive support for both recipients.

7. Regular Agenda

A. Staff Report Updates

1. Mrs. Squires said that Johnsonville Elementary School had a great start to school. She showed a PowerPoint to board members and said the theme for this year is, "Together We Shine". She discussed the 21st Century afterschool grant, academic recovery plan, and test scores.
2. In Mr. Goins absence, he recorded a video for the board to view. In the recording, Mr. Goins said that the vision for JMS is, "In Constant Pursuit of Excellence". He explained staff changes and the tutorial programs that will be utilized to eliminate loss learning while concentrating on core values.
3. Mr. Tuten said as you enter the doors of Johnsonville High School students will see the statement, "As I Enter These Doors, I Pledge to Learn Like A Champion Today". He discussed EOC scores and graduation rates. Mr. Tuten prepared a video with shared leadership that featured Focus Team Priorities for 2021-22.

B. Superintendent's Report:

1. Trustee Election – Mrs. Prosser reminded the Board that the Trustee Election is November 2, 2021, and Seat 4 and At-Large, Seat 6 and 7 are up for election with one candidate signed up to run in each Seat.
2. Operational Updates - Mrs. Prosser discussed the Covid vaccine survey, ESSER III, and current enrollment. She told the board that Mr. Craton Dicks is the new Transportation Supervisor.
3. Instructional Updates – In an Instructional Update, Mrs. Prosser informed the board that the district was approved for a 21st Century afterschool grant and as an E-Learning district. She discussed instructional protocol and Backward Design. Mrs. Prosser said that School Report Cards are embargoed until September 1 to the public. She said the report card will not have a rating, but will show the data from testing in comparison to the overall state performance.
4. Recognitions – Mrs. Prosser stated that the opening kickoff was a success. She told board members that Mrs. Canelia Bellflowers was the District Teacher-of-the-year for Florence District Five. She said Paul Amann was hired as an IT Support Technician. Mrs. Prosser commended Mrs. Courtney Dennis and Mrs. Lesley Huggins for receiving a Donor Choose Grant for their classrooms. She thanked Tupperware for their generous welcome back gifts for staff.

8. For Action Agenda

- A. Textbook Adoptions – Mr. Timmons moved, seconded by Mrs. Green, that the board approve the 2021 District Textbook Adoptions as presented by Mrs. Snowden. The motion carried unanimously. (Exhibit A)
- B. First Reading of Policy Revision IKAA (Tests and Examinations) – Mr. Richardson moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the board give First Reading to Policy IKAA (Tests and Examinations). The motion carried unanimously.
- C. Board Member Resignation – Mr. Gaster moved, seconded by Mr. Timmons, that the board regretfully accept the resignation of Mr. Raymond Haselden due to his employment with the district. The motion carried unanimously.

- 9. Executive Session** – Mrs. Green moved, seconded by Mr. Richardson, that the board enter the Executive Session Agenda to discuss Personnel for Hire and Resignations. The motion carried unanimously, and the board entered Executive Session at 8:16 p.m.

- 10. Reconvene in Open Session with Action if Necessary from Executive Session**– Following Executive Session, Vice Chairman Truesdale called the meeting to order in Open Session at 9:10 p.m. with no action taken.
 - A. Request(s) for Student Releases from Florence Five (Moved from Regular For Action Agenda) - Mr. Timmons moved, seconded by Mrs. Green, that the board approve four students to be released for the 2021-2022 school year as presented by the superintendent. The motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Personnel for Hire – Mr. Gaster moved, seconded by Mr. Timmons, that the board approve two personnel for hire recommendations as presented by the superintendent. The motion carried unanimously.
 - C. Resignations – Mr. Richardson moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the board accept one personnel resignation as presented by the superintendent. The motion carried unanimously.

- 11. Adjournment** - There being no further business, Mr. Timmons moved, seconded by Mr. Gaster, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Tina Williams, Board Secretary

Minutes Approved