

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGEFIELD COUNTY
EDGEFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM
APRIL 19, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Brad Covar, Chairman - 7:25 p.m.
Dr. John Carroll Wates, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Bridget Clark, Secretary
Mrs. Sallie Cooks
Mr. Chris Hoffmann - 9:30 p.m. - left
Mr. William Herrin

ALSO PRESENT WERE:

Dr. Mary Rice-Crenshaw, Superintendent
Dr. Carol Lenderman, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services
Mr. David Fallaw, Interim Chief Financial Officer
Mr. James Courtney, Director of Facilities/Operations/Transportation
Mrs. Lunette Patten, Recording Secretary

NOTICE TO MEDIA: In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, Section 3-4-80 (d), as amended, the following have been notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting: The Advertiser, The Citizen News, The Aiken Standard, The Augusta Chronicle, The North Augusta Star, Channel 12, Channel 6, Channel 26, WLTX News 19 and Edgefield Daily.

CALL TO ORDER - 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

(EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA FOLLOWS REGULAR MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION)

Mr. Hoffmann requests permission to add one item under Office of School Board in Open Session.

APPROVED AS AMENDED: COOKS/CLARK (5/0)

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1) Swearing in new Board members - Mr. Greg Anderson, School Board Attorney
Mr. Greg Anderson, School Board Attorney issued the oath of office to the newly elected Board of Trustee, Mr. William Herrin at the Budget Workshop at 6:00 p.m.

2) Spotlight - Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards

Dr. Crenshaw and Dr. Wates presented the following schools a congratulatory letter, certificate and award flag from the State Department of Education. The awards program recognizes schools for attaining high levels of absolute performance, high rates of growth, and for making substantial progress in closing the achievement gaps.

**Palmetto Gold Awards - Fox Creek High School
Strom Thurmond Career Center**

**Palmetto Silver Awards - Douglas Elementary
Merriwether Elementary
Strom Thurmond High School**

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INPUT

A. REQUEST TO USE SCHOOL PROPERTY

NO ITEMS

B. TRIPS AND PROJECTS FOR APPROVAL

NO ITEMS

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- C1 - March 22, 2011 - Board Meeting
APPROVED: CLARK/COOKS (5/0)
- C2 - March 29, 2011 - Budget Workshop
APPROVED: CLARK/COOKS (5/0)
- C3 - March 9, 2011 - Discipline Hearing
APPROVED TO RATIFY MINUTES: CLARK/COOKS (5/0)

D. INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

D1 - Summer Learning Initiative

Board members received a schedule of the Summer Learning Initiative of 2011 from Dr. Lenderman, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services.

D2 - Peach Project

The following personnel were present for an update on the Peach Project achievements:

Mrs. Lynn Bowie	Mrs. Stephanie Humphries
Mrs. Kippy Kelly	Mrs. Melissa Turner
Mrs. Alfreda Turner	Mrs. Lena Baker

E. FACILITIES/OPERATIONS/TRANSPORTATION

- E1 - Update on facility use policy
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F. FISCAL SERVICES

NO ITEMS

G. HUMAN RESOURCES

NO ITEMS

H. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

H1 - Board Retreat

The board Retreat will be held on Wednesday, May 4, 2011.

Location: Chamber of Commerce Board Room

H2 - Community Meetings - Prior to the regular board meetings - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Johnston Elementary - May 10, 2011

Merriwether Elementary - May 24, 2011

5:00 - 6:00 Budget Workshop before Community Meeting at Merriwether Elementary

I. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY

NO ITEMS

J. OFFICE OF SCHOOL BOARD

J1 - 2011-2012 School Calendar

Motion by Mr. Hoffmann, second Clark to delete winter break in February on the 2011/2012 school calendar.

DENIED: 1/3 ABSTAIN: HERRIN/WATES

J2 - Day at the Capitol - April 27, 2011 - 9:00 a.m.

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J3 - Lock Down/Drug Issues

Dr. Crenshaw will schedule for Sheriff Dobe to attend a board meeting.

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**ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION AND ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
COVAR/CLARK (6/0)**

EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

A. STUDENT (APPEALS, REQUESTS, CONCERNS)

NO ITEMS

B. CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

B1- Audit Services Contract

Motion by Clark, second Cooks to extend a one year audit services contract to Elliot Davis, LLC.

APPROVED: CLARK/COOKS (5/0)

C. OFFICE OF SCHOOL BOARD

NO ITEMS

D. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

NO ITEMS

E. LEGAL BRIEFINGS

NO ITEMS

F. HUMAN RESOURCES

NO ITEMS

G. PERSONNEL ITEMS

G1 - Staff Recommendations - 2011/2012 school year

**District Office
Douglas Elementary School
Johnston Elementary School
Merriwether Elementary School
W. E. Parker Elementary School
JET Middle School**

**Merriwether Middle School
Strom Thurmond High School
Strom Thurmond Career Center
Transportation
Food Services
Retirements/Resignations**

Motion by Cooks, second Wates approve staff recommendations from the administration for the 2011/2012 school year.
APPROVED: COOKS/WATES 4/1 “NO”HERRIN

In an effort to staff the schools and departments within the school district, the Department of Human Resources regularly makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees for staffing issues related to new hires, medical leaves of absence, resignations, promotions, etc.

H. VOLUNTEERS

NO ITEMS

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

VOTING ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT: 9:55 p.m.

Mr. Brad Covar, Chairman

Mrs. Bridget Clark, Secretary

Mrs. Lunette Patten, Recording Secretary
