

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - *Public Hearing 2011/2012 Budget*

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - *Community Meeting -Merriwether Elementary Cafeteria*

The board met for a community meeting prior to the regular board meeting at Johnston Elementary School. Mr. Brad Covar called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Dr. Mary Crenshaw opened with a power point presentation. Mr. David Fallaw updated the community on the budget. Dr. Carol Lenderman presented information on instruction followed by questions/answers from the community.

*Adjournment: 7:00 p.m.*

**REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**  
**THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGEFIELD COUNTY**  
**MERRIWETHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**MAY 24, 2011**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Brad Covar, Chairman  
Dr. John Carroll Wates, Vice-Chairman  
Mrs. Bridget Clark, Secretary  
Mrs. Sallie Cooks  
Mr. Chris Hoffmann  
Mr. William Herrin  
Mr. Jame Bibbs

**ALSO PRESENT WERE:**

Dr. Mary Rice-Crenshaw, Superintendent  
Dr. Carol Lenderman, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services  
Mr. Greg Anderson, School Board Attorney  
Mr. David Fallaw, Interim Chief Financial Officer  
Mrs. Shawn Clinkscales, Director of Human Resources  
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 - Dr. Carroll Wates, Vice-chairman**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **REGULAR SESSION AGENDA**

**(EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA FOLLOWS REGULAR MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION)**

### **SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Dr. Crenshaw requested permission to add one item under Office of Superintendent in Open Session, two items under Student Appeals, one item under Office of Superintendent in Executive Session.**

**Mr. Hoffmann requested permission to add one item under Office of School Board in Open Session and one item under Personnel in Executive Session.**

**Mr. Anderson requested permission to add two items under Legal Briefings in Executive Session.**

**Mr. Covar requested permission to add Rev. Eldwin Griffin under Public Comments and Input.**

**APPROVED AS AMENDED: BIBBS/WATES (7/0)**

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INPUT**

#### **1) Mr. Danny Bishop**

**Mr. Bishop addressed concerns on why the bus did not transport eighth grade students from both middle schools to Fox Creek High School to visit the school.**

**Mr. Bishop made a formal request that the buses be sent from the middle schools this year and next year. Mr. Bishop also requested an explanation in writing why the buses did not take eighth graders to Fox Creek.**

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#### **2) Rev. Eldwin Griffin**

**Rev. Griffin addressed concerns for the board working together with the superintendent.**

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#### **A. REQUEST TO USE SCHOOL PROPERTY**

***NO ITEMS***

#### **B. TRIPS AND PROJECTS FOR APPROVAL**

***NO ITEMS***

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**C1 - May 10, 2011 - Board Meeting**  
**APPROVED AS AMENDED: BIBBS/COOKS (7/0)**

**C2 - May 4, 2011 - Board Retreat**  
**APPROVED: BIBBS/COOKS (7/0)**

**D. INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES**

**D1 - Dual Credit**  
Mr. Schilit presented board members a copy of the Strom Thurmond High School year book.  
The guidance counselors, Mrs. Amanda Rhoden, Mrs. Kathy McKenize and Ms. Raven Gibbs gave an update on dual credit offered at Piedmont Technical College 2011-2012 On DECK classes.  
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**E. FACILITIES/OPERATIONS/TRANSPORTATION**

*NO ITEMS*

**F. FISCAL SERVICES**

**F1 - Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Budget First Reading**  
**APPROVED ON FIRST READING: BIBBS/COOKS (7/0)**  
The draft budget was approved at the public budget hearing.

**F2 - Out of District Tuition**  
Motion by Wates, second Hoffmann to approve out of district tuition for the 2011/2012 school year in the amount of \$2,587.00.  
**APPROVED: WATES/HOFFMANN (7/0)**

**F3 - Food Service Meal Price Increase**  
**APPROVED: COOKS/CLARK (7/0)**  
Elementary Schools - from \$1.75 to \$1.80  
Middle and High Schools - from \$1.90 to \$1.95

**F4 - TAN Resolution**  
Mr. Fallaw presented for board approval a TAN Resolution authorizing the issuance of a not exceeding \$3,500,000 tax anticipation note, series 2011, of

School District of Edgefield County, South Carolina; authorizing the sale of said note to the South Carolina Association of Governmental Organizations pursuant to the terms of its SC TAN program; prescribing the terms and conditions under which the note may be issued; providing for the form of note; providing for the payment thereof; authorizing certain officials of the school district to determine certain matters relating to the note; and other matters relating thereto.

**APPROVED: HOFFMANN/WATES (7/0)**

**G. HUMAN RESOURCES**

*NO ITEMS*

**H. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT**

**H1 - Meeting with Edgefield County Council**

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**I. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY**

**Mr. Anderson informed the board that the trial for the softball case will be coming up next week**

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**J. OFFICE OF SCHOOL BOARD**

**J1 - Proposed schedule of school board meetings - 2011/2012**

**APPROVED: COOKS/BIBBS (7/0)**

**J2 - Mr. Hoffmann -Transfer Policy GCK**

**Discussion on transfer of all employees**

**Mr. Anderson will get back information to the board on the policy.**

**ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION AND ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**WATES/COOKS (7/0)**

## EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

### A. STUDENT (APPEALS, REQUESTS, CONCERNS)

A1 -A3 Transfer request (1)  
APPROVED: WATES/BIBBS (7/0)

*The school district receives requests, routinely, from parents to gain permission to either permit their children to attend school in the district or release them from the district to attend school elsewhere or home school.*

### B. CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

B1 - Copier Contract  
APPROVED: WATES/BIBBS (7/0)  
Motion by Wates, second Bibbs to approve administration recommendation to approve Ricoh for copier services from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2015.

B2 - Strom Thurmond Scholarships (3)  
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### C. OFFICE OF SCHOOL BOARD

C1- Alpha Award Winners (3)  
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### D. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

D1 -District Origination  
Motion by Cooks, second Bibbs to accept the personnel recommendations presented by the administration of option one:  
Rename the Office of Director of Human Resources to become Office of Administrative Services and Grant Development. The office would focus on supporting the needs of staff (workers comp, certification, retirement, and benefits), School-to-Work, Apprenticeships, and grant development. The Office of Administrative Services would work with Public Relations Officer to coordinate the programs of the district. Additional duties will include summer programs, Supplemental Service (After School Program), 21<sup>st</sup>

Century (After School Program), and any other duty assigned by the superintendent. The current Human Resource Director would assume this new position.

DENIED: COOKS/BIBBS (2/5)

“NO” COVAR/HOFFMANN/CLARK/HERRIN/WATES

Motion by Clark, second Hoffmann to accept administration recommendations:

Add one assistant principal slot to be shared between Douglas Elementary and Johnston Elementary School

Add one assistant principal for instruction Merrriwether Middle School Strom Thurmond High School (Utilize .5 teacher slot to assist administration)

APPROVED: CLARK/HOFFMANN (5/2) “NO” COVAR/HERRIN

**E. LEGAL BRIEFINGS**

E1 - Legal Matter

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E2 - Legal Matter

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**F. HUMAN RESOURCES**

*NO ITEMS*

**G. PERSONNEL ITEMS**

G1 - Recommendation - Teachers (3)

APPROVED: CLARK/HERRIN (7/0)

G2 - Recommendation - Assistant Principal (1)

APPROVED: CLARK/HERRIN (7/0)

G3 - Personnel Matter

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**H. VOLUNTEERS**

*NO ITEMS*

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**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

**VOTING ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS**

**ADJOURNMENT: 10:15 p.m.**

**Mr. Brad Covar, Chairman**

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**Mrs. Bridget Clark, Secretary**

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**Mrs. Lunette Patten, Recording Secretary**

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