



REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGEFIELD COUNTY
STROM THURMOND HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC FIELD HOUSE
MAY 12, 2015

Public Hearing - 2015/2016 Budget - 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.
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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Brad Covar, Chairperson
Mrs. Robin Ball, Vice-Chairperson
Mr. Willie Campbell, Secretary
Mr. James Bibbs
Dr. John Carroll Wates
Mr. Chris Hoffmann
Ms. LaToya Hammond

ALSO PRESENT WERE:

Mr. Greg Anderson, Superintendent
Mrs. Donna Strom, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services
Mrs. Cherya Clark, Director of Human Resources
Mr. James Courtney, Director of Facilities/Operations/Transportation
Mr. David Fallaw, Chief Financial Officer
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 Aiken Standard, The Augusta Chronicle, The North Augusta Star, Channel 6, Channel 12, Channel 26, Fox 54, WLTX News 19, and Edgefield Daily.

CALL TO ORDER - 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER - Mr. Brad Covar, Chairperson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEDIA PRESENT:

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

(EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA FOLLOWS REGULAR MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION)

SPECIAL ORDR OF BUSINESS

Mr. Campbell requested to add one item under Office of School Board in Open Session. Mrs. Clark requested to delete number three and six under personnel employee separations in Executive Session.

APPROVED AS AMENDED: HOFFMANN/CAMPBELL (7/0)

1) Presentation by Strom Thurmond High School Seniors

Ms. Leigh Northrop and Mr. Keyson Whiteside presented the board members with a gift from the 2015 Senior Class.

2) Exit Interviews - Strom Thurmond High School Seniors

The following students gave the board an overview of needs and improvements for Strom Thurmond High School:

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| 1) Gabriel Cornwell | 3) Micah Goforth | 5) Delshawn Anderson |
| 2) Margaret Jolly | 4) Cambrine Mathis | |

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INPUT

1) Mr. Nathaniel Jackson spoke regarding:

- Information requested under the Freedom of Information Act**

**Mr. Anderson presented the requested information to Mr. Jackson.
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A. REQUEST TO USE SCHOOL PROPERTY

NO ITEMS

B. TRIPS AND PROJECTS FOR APPROVAL

B1 - Jill Cockrell, of JET Middle School requests permission to take students to Carowinds in Charlotte, N.C. on June 3, 2015.

APPROVED: HOFFMANN/BALL (7/0)

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

C1 - April 21, 2015 - Board Meeting

APPROVED: HAMMOND/HOFFMANN (7/0)

C2 - April 22, 2015 - Discipline Hearing

RATIFY: HAMMOND/HOFFMANN (7/0)

D. INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

D1 - Policy IHBIB-R - Primary/Pre-Primary Education (Child Development) - First Reading

APPROVED ON FIRST READING: HOFFMANN /BALL (7/0)

D2 - District Strategic Plan and School Renewal Plans - 2015/2016 Annual Updates

APPROVED: HAMMOND/HOFFMANN (7/0)

D3 - Alternative Program

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D4 - Apex Courses Approval - 2015/2016

APPROVED: WATES/BALL (7/0)

D5 - 2015 Scholarship Update

Mr. Donnie Woosley, Director of Guidance of Strom Thurmond High School updated the board on the 2015 Strom Thurmond High School senior scholarships received. Scholarships valuing \$5,356,324 are being given to deserving students with exceptional academic, athletic and various talents.

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E. FACILITIES/OPERATIONS/TRANSPORTATION

NO ITEMS

F. FISCAL SERVICES

F1 - 2015/2016 Budget First Reading

Motion by Wates, seconded by Hoffmann to approve first reading of the general fund budget for the 2015/2016 school year with a budget of \$27,617,559 with including additions of twelve hundred state winners and ten thousand for student awards.

APPROVED: WATES/HOFFMANN (6/1) "NO" CAMPBELL

G. HUMAN RESOURCES

G1 - Policy GCEC - Posting and Advertising of Professional Vacancies - First Reading
APPROVED ON FIRST READING: BIBBS/WATES (7/0)

H. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

H1 - Summer Work Schedule
APPROVED: HOFFMANN/WATES (7/0)

H2 - Retirement Banquet
The retirement banquet will be held on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Strom Thurmond High School Cafeteria with Mr. Sammie Williams guest speaker.
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H3 - Graduation Update
Strom Thurmond High School graduation will be held on Friday, June 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. with Mr. Harold Yeldell guest speaker.
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H4 - Policy on championship rings
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H5 - General Report
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I. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY

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J. OFFICE OF SCHOOL BOARD

J1 - Policy BID - Board Member Compensation and Expenses - First Reading
Motion by Bibbs, seconded by Campbell to increase board members pay \$300.00 per month per member, additional \$50.00 for each school board meeting he/she attends and \$25.00 extra per month for officers.

NOT APPROVED: BIBBS/CAMPBELL (2/5) "NO"
COVAR/BALL/WATES/HAMMOND/HOFFMANN

Motion by Covar, seconded by Ball to increase board members pay \$100.00 per month per member, beyond two meetings per month \$50.00 per meeting.

APPROVED: COVAR/BALL (6/1) "NO" BIBBS

APPROVED ON FIRST READING: Unanimously Approved

J2 - Mr. Campbell - Certification Superintendent
Mr. Anderson updated the board on his certification
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ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION AND ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS:
HOFFMANN/WATES (7/0) 9:05 p.m.

- ❖ Student Transfer Requests
- ❖ Act 155 Petition
- ❖ Alpha Award Winners
- ❖ Strom Thurmond Scholarships
- ❖ New Hire Recommendations
- ❖ Employee Separations
- ❖ Medical Leave Requests
- ❖ Personnel General Report

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THE BOARD RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION AT 9:30 P.M. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

A. STUDENT (APPEALS, REQUESTS, CONCERNS)

A1 - Student Transfer Requests (2)

APPROVED: WATES/BIBBS (7/0)

A2 - Act 155 Petition (1)

APPROVED: WATES/BIBBS (7/0)

A3 - Student Transfer Request (1)

Motion by Hoffmann, seconded by Ball to deny administrative recommendation and approve parent request.

APPROVED: HOFFMANN/BALL (7/0)

B. CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

NO ITEMS

C. OFFICE OF SCHOOL BOARD

C1 - Alpha Award Winners (3)

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D. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

D1 - Strom Thurmond Scholarships (5)

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E. LEGAL BRIEFINGS

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F. HUMAN RESOURCES

NO ITEMS

G. PERSONNEL ITEMS

- G1 - New Hire Recommendations (7/0)
APPROVED: WATES/HAMMOND (7/0)
- G2 - Employee Separations (11)
APPROVED: WATES/HAMMOND (7/0)
- G3 - Medical Leave Requests (6)
APPROVED: WATES/HAMMOND (7/0)
- G4 - General Report
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H. VOLUNTEERS

NO ITEMS

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

VOTING ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT: 9:40 p.m.

Mr. Brad Covar, Chairman

Mr. Willie Campbell, Secretary

Mrs. Lunette Patten, Recording Secretary

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