

MINUTES

DILLON SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

1738 Highway 301 North
Dillon, South Carolina

January 9, 2017
6:30 P.M.

I. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Secretary Burt Rogers.

II. Visitors and the media were welcomed at this time.

III. The roll was called as follows:

Ethel Taylor, Earl Gleason, Jr., Famon Whitfield, Alex Lewis, Kenny Bethea, Burt Rogers and Mike McRae.

ABSENT:

Ethel Taylor

VISITORS:

IV. NOTICE TO THE MEDIA

In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws of 1976, section 30-4-80 (e) amended; the following has been notified of the date, time and place of this meeting:

Betsy Finklea, The Dillon Herald

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of December 12, 2016 was made by Alex Lewis with a second from Famon Whitfield. All approved.

On a motion by Mike McRae with a second from Alex Lewis the Agenda was amended in order for the Executive Session to be moved to the beginning of the board meeting. All members approved.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered Executive Session to discuss the availability of the District Four Auditorium, Principal for East Elementary and the termination of a teacher at Dillon High School. Motion made by Earl Gleason, Jr. with a second from Famon Whitfield. All approved.

A motion to return to open session was made by Mike McRae with a second from Famon Whitfield. All approved.

VI. After returning to open session the Board voted to deny the request of the School Foundation's use of the auditorium without fees being paid. Motion made by Earl Gleason, Jr. with a second from Famon Whitfield, Jr. All approved.

On a motion by Famon Whitfield, Jr. with a second from Mike McRae the Board recommended Shannon Berry for the position of Principal of East Elementary School for the 2017-2018 school year. All approved.

On a motion by Alex Lewis with a second from Kenny Bethea, the Board recommended the termination of a teacher at Dillon High School. All members approved.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Construction Update – Superintendent Rogers gave members of the Board an update on District Four construction. Information only.

2. Budget Update – Art McMillan, Assistant Superintendent for Finance, gave board members an update on the General Fund financial Report. The report was for July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. The balance for all funds was \$2,164,620.45. Information only.

3. Schafer Foundation Donations – Superintendent Rogers informed board members that the district had received the Schafer Foundation money for Dillon School District Four. East Elementary, South Elementary, Stewart Heights Elementary, Gordon Elementary, Dillon Middle School, Dillon High School, Lake View Elementary, Lake View High School and Dillon County Technology and Dillon District Technology Center received \$1,000.00 each. Programs for Exceptional Children received \$2,000.00. Information only.

4. **Student Services Update** – Lynn Liebenrood, Director of Student Services, gave board members information on the Local-Board Approved Courses for 2016-2017. A motion to approve the Local-Board Approved Courses was made by Alex Lewis with a second from Kenny Bethea. All approved. Mrs. Liebenrood also gave board members a copy of the Spring Assessment Calendar. Information only.
5. **Children's Internet Protection Act** – Lynn Liebenrood gave board members a copy of the Children's Internet Protection Act. Information only.
6. **Personnel** – Dr. Polly Elkins, Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Personnel, presented the following recommendations:

Resignation:

Stephen B. Gaskins - Teacher, Lake View High School

Retirement:

Brenda Hargrove - Transportation, Dillon

Transfer:

Terra Madison - Assistant at East transferring to Dillon High School

A motion to approve the above recommendations was made by Famon Whitfield with a second from Alex Lewis. All approved.

Dr. Elkins also presented copies of a Vacancy Announcement for the position of Assistant Principal at Gordon Elementary along with draft copies of the 2017-2018 school calendar.

Superintendent Rogers recognized Kenny Bethea for 15 years of service on the Board. Information only.

All District Four Schools recognized board members for their dedication and hard work.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Taylor, Chairman

Burt Rogers, Secretary

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