

MINUTES

DILLON SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

1738 Highway 301 North
Dillon, South Carolina

September 18, 2017
6:30 P.M.

(Regular Meeting)

I. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Ethel Taylor.

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

III. The roll was called as follows:

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

ABSENT:

Burt Rogers

STAFF:

Ray Rogers, Superintendent
Polly Elkins, Assistant Superintendent
Art McMillan, Assistant Superintendent/Finance
Lynn Liebenrood, Director of Student Services
Kathryn Thompson, Secretary

VISITORS:

Ashley Story, Attorney, Kim Walsh, Rodney Cook & Angela Whittington

IV. NOTICE TO THE MEDIA

In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws of 1976, section 30-3-80 (e) amended; the following has been notified of the date, time and place of this meeting:

Betsy Finklea, The Dillon Herald

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes of August 21, 2017 was made by Mike McRae with a second from Earl Gleason. All approved.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Teacher of the Year/District Teacher of the Year** – Ashleigh Baxley was announced as the 2017-2018 District Teacher of the Year. The following were also recognized as Teacher of the Year from each school: East Elementary, Ashleigh Baxley; South Elementary, Sharon Leonard; Stewart Heights Elementary, Bebe Peele; Gordon Elementary, Michele Smith; Dillon Middle School, Amy Roberts; Dillon High School, Felicia McCollum; Lake View Elementary, Nicole Elvington; Lake View High School, Daryl King. David Stanley was on hand to present each Teacher of the Year with a check for \$250.00. Superintendent Rogers presented Dillon District Four Teacher of the Year with a check for \$1,000.00. Information only.
2. **Construction Update** – Superintendent Rogers gave board members an update on construction for Dillon School District Four.
3. **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, 2017 through August 31, 2017. The balance for all funds as of August 31, 2017 was \$5,492,696.45.
4. **Student Services** – Lynn Liebenrood, Director of Student Services, gave board members a copy of the Federal Update regarding Title I, II, III, V and IX. AdvanceED information was also given to board members by Mrs. Liebenrood. Information only.
5. **Personnel** – Dr. Polly Elkins, Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Personnel presented the following recommendations:

Retirement:

Wilma Sawyer	-	Operator, Food Service at Lake View
--------------	---	-------------------------------------

Recommendations:

Carla Meekins	-	Secretary, East
Cody Tompkins	-	Assistant, Stewart Heights Elementary

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

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered executive session on a motion by Famon Whitfield with a second from Kenny Bethea to discuss ACT 155, Personnel Information and School Property. All approved.

A motion to return to open session was made by Alex Lewis with a second from Earl Gleason, Jr. All approved.

After returning to open session, a motion was made by Famon Whitfield with a second from Kenny Bethea regarding ACT 155 (1 student applying for a diploma). All approved.

The Board voted unanimously to support Dillon School District Four's policies regarding personal leave.

A motion to purchase two apartment complexes within the city limits for the purpose of teacher recruitment and retention was made by Mike McRae with a second from Famon Whitfield. All members approved.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Motion made by Famon Whitfield with a second from Kenny Bethea. All members approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ethel Taylor, Chairman

Burt Rogers, Secretary