

Anderson County Board of Education
402 Bleckley Street, Anderson, South Carolina 29625
Special Called Meeting
March 1, 2010

Board Members Present: Mr. Mike Brock, Rev. Dr. Rufus Mitchell, Mr. Dale Martin, Mr. Steve Garrison, Mr. Randy Price, Mr. David Draisen, and Mr. Joey Nimmer, Ex Officio

Board Members Absent: Ms. Brenda Bradberry, Mr. Jeff Kubu

Call to Order: Mr. Draisen called the meeting to order. Rev. Dr. Mitchell presented the invocation. Everyone joined in the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag.

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Garrison made the motion to approve the agenda. Rev. Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion and the Board agreed unanimously.

Recognition of Media and Patrons / Public Comment Period: Mr. Draisen welcomed visitors, Mr. Bill Baker and Ms. Gail Southard.

Discussion of Vacancy on County Board of Education: Anderson School District Three made the recommendation to appoint Mr. Shawn McGee to fill the Board seat left vacant due to Mr. Mike Gray's passing. Mr. Garrison made the motion to recommend Mr. McGee for appointment by the Legislative Delegation. Mr. Brock seconded the motion. During discussion Mr. Price questioned the process presently being followed to fill a vacant County Board seat and stated he would like to ask other Boards about their process. The Board then voted unanimously to recommend Mr. McGee for the empty Board seat.

Discussion of Budget Calendar for 2010: Following is the proposed budget schedule:

- May 3, 2010 County Board Budget Committee
- May 17, 2010 County Board approves County Board Budget
- June 1, 2010 All Anderson County District Budgets are due
- June 21, 2010 County Board District Budget Workshop @ 4:00 p.m. to discuss all District budgets
- June 22-30, 2010 Individual District Budget Workshops
- July 19, 2010 Consider / Approve District Budgets

Mr. Martin made the motion to accept the proposed budget meeting schedule. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Discussion of Grant Writing Position: Mr. Garrison, chairman of the Personnel Committee, made the recommendation to hire Ms. Kitty Chivers for the grant writer position for a \$40,000 budgeted annual salary. This position is proposed to be funded until the end of the 2011-2012 fiscal year at which time continuance of the job will be based upon performance and the money brought into the county through successful grant writing. Mr. Nimmer reported all references

spoke very highly of Ms. Chiver's ability to conduct research, her work ethic and her knowledge in grant writing. Mr. Martin, Rev. Dr. Mitchell, Mr. Brock, and Mr. Garrison voted in favor of hiring Ms. Chivers. Mr. Price voted nay.

ADM Accounts Payable and SFS Accounts Payable: Rev. Dr. Mitchell made the motion to pay both the County Board and the School Food Service accounts payable. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion and the Board agreed unanimously. Mr. Nimmer explained the remainder of the bill from the Strom Thurmond Institute will be included in next month's accounts payable. Mr. Garrison agreed to be chairman of the ad hoc Study Committee to fill the position left vacant by Mr. Gray's passing.

Mr. Garrison led a discussion of State funding cuts and current tax structure. He asked to give a report at a future Board meeting of information learned at the SCSBA conference pertaining to taxes that could be collected for education.

Administrator's Report: Mr. Nimmer reported:

1. There will be a Day at the Capital on April 28th at 9 am, and if anyone wants to attend he will be happy to make arrangements.
2. Memo was received from Dr. Fowler, Superintendent of School District One, asking for permission to sell modular units no longer needed at the schools. Mr. Martin made the motion to accept the proposal of sale and Mr. Price seconded the motion. The Board agreed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned
Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Mike Brock, Acting Secretary of the Anderson County Board of Education
This is a true and correct copy of notes taken at the meeting.

