## **MINUTES**

## ANDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION 402 Bleckley Street, Anderson SC 29625 October 18, 2004 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Dr. Keith L. Cole, P. Michael Brock, Shawn R. McGee, Thomas F. Allen, Brenda D. Bradberry, Harris G. Wilks, and Millard G. Smith, Ex Officio

Board Members Absent: George W. Seaborn, George R. Price, and Barbara R. Kay

Others Present: Brantley Jordan, and Mary Lee Lollis

Call to Order: Dr. Cole called the meeting to order, read from the scriptures and led in the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Brock gave the invocation

Approval of Agenda: On a motion by Mrs. Bradberry to approve the agenda and second by Mr. Wilks, the agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes-September 20, 2004 Meeting: The minutes were unanimously approved on motion by Mr. McGee and second by Mrs. Bradberry.

Recognition of Media and Others: Dr. Cole welcomed the guests to the meeting.

Opportunity for Citizens to Address the Board: No one wished to address the Board.

Letter of Recognition: A letter to Honea Path Elementary School in recognition of being named a Blue Ribbon School was signed by the board members.

## Financial Reports:

- A. Tax Books Open Timely on October 1 for Tax Year 2004-Dr. Cole announced tax notices had been mailed.
- B. Fam In\$ite-the Fam In\$ite reports for 2003, for a three year period, and the face-to-face teachers reports are attached to the minutes. A brief discussion followed, which included what constituted a face-to-face teacher. Mr. Smith distributed a Legislative Audit Council Summary of Issues of Efficiency and Accountability Relating to School Districts. This is attached to the minutes.
- C. Taxes Collected for Month of September-this report is attached to the minutes.

Alternative School Update: Mr. McGee reported as of September 27, there are ninety-one (91) students enrolled–thirty-nine (39) middle school students and fifty-two (52) high school students with an average daily membership of 77%.

Mr. Wilks inquired as to the progress of the audit, and Dr. Cole said it should be final for the next meeting. Mrs. Bradberry asked if an answer had been received from the request of last meeting. Dr. Cole said no answer had been received, but one was expected by the next board meeting.

**Old Business**: Mr. Smith informed the board that the Partners for a Healthy Community application for a \$6 Million grant was not successful. He also informed the board that the district superintendents are planning to meet October 20 to discuss mental health and more will be forthcoming. Mr. Smith added that the mental health counselors for this office are swamped with up to twenty-three (23) cases each. Discussion followed.

## **New Business:**

- A. The October ADM and School Food Service Accounts Payable were unanimously approved on motion by Mr. Wilks and second by Mr. Brock.
- B. The December meeting will be held on the regularly scheduled day of December 20.
- C. Mrs. Bradberry made a motion to approve a Code of Ethics for the County Board. With a second by Mr. Allen, the motion was unanimously approved.

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Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Michael Brock, Secretary, Anderson County Board of Education

This is a true and correct copy of notes taken at the meeting.

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