

Anderson County Board of Education  
402 Bleckley Street, Anderson, South Carolina 29625  
September 19, 2011

**Board Members Present:** Mr. David Draisen, Ms. Brenda Bradberry, Mr. Mike Brock, Ms. Dana Grant, Mr. Dale Martin, Dr. Craig Drennon, Mr. Steve Garrison, Rev. Dr. Rufus Mitchell, Mr. Joey Nimmer, Ex Officio

**Board Members Absent:** Dr. Gary Burgess

**Call to Order:** Mr. Draisen called the meeting to order. Rev. Dr. Mitchell gave the invocation after which everyone joined in the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag.

**Approval of Agenda:** Ms. Bradberry made the motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Grant seconded the motion and the Board agreed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes—August 15, 2011:** Dr. Drennon made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2011 meeting, and Ms. Bradberry seconded the motion. The Board approved unanimously to pass the motion.

**Recognition of Media and Patrons / Public Comment Period:** Mr. Draisen welcomed Mr. Bill Baker to the meeting.

**Anderson County Alternative School Report:** Mr. Brock reported there are presently 27 students in middle school and 41 students in high school. At this time last year there were 72 students at the Alternative School.

**Administrator's Report:** Mr. Nimmer reported:

- A. The final report for state revenue for fiscal year 2010-11 has increased 6.4%. The state closed the books at a little over \$122 million surplus. Ms. Bradberry asked if part of this money would be used for special education. Mr. Nimmer replied the IDEA money (which are federal funds) would be distributed over the next 2 ½ to 3 months between districts, but he did not know the exact amount. The state did not realize this money was available because it had not been allocated. They are in the process of claiming the money now in order to keep money allocated in the current year.
- B. The annual holiday meeting will be at Tuckers Restaurant on December 19, 2011.
- C. Dr. Drennon will attend the Anderson School District Five Board meeting.

**Financial:**

- A. **Tax Collections YTD vs. Budget:** All districts are normal in their collections for this time of year. All districts received county equalization. District Three's collection rate is higher because they received a large fee in lieu of tax payment which upped their percentage. Mr. Brock asked if this was because of the new plant being built. Mr. Nimmer explained the plant is currently being constructed on District Five property. When the next phase of building starts it will take place on District Three property.
- B. **Assessment Totals:** Assessment totals grew approximately \$400 per mill countywide during August. The value of a mill was \$632,589 countywide at the end of August. Prior to this there was a negative trend with no increase for twenty months. Ms. Bradberry asked how much new property was added. Mr. Nimmer replied that the new property is included the way it was booked when the property was placed on the tax rolls, but this does not include appeals. Once tax bills are distributed and there are appeals to tax bills, they will move from 4%

property to 6% property and vice versa. Mr. Nimmer noted there has been very little residential construction in the last twelve months.

**Old Business:** Mr. Garrison informed the Board he is working on the superintendents meeting scheduled for December.

**New Business:**

**A. ADM Accounts Payable:**

**B. SFS Accounts Payable:** Ms. Bradberry made the motion to approve both the County Board accounts payable and the School Food Service accounts payable. Rev. Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion and the Board approved unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned  
Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Brenda Bradberry, Secretary of the Anderson County Board of Education  
This is a true and correct copy of notes taken at the meeting.

