

Anderson County Board of Education
907 North Main Street, Suite 202, Anderson, South Carolina 29621
August 20, 2018

Call to Order

Chairman David Draisen called the meeting to order and Rev. Dr. Rufus Mitchell gave the invocation after which everyone joined in the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag.

Board Members Present:

The following board members were present for the August, 2018 meeting: Mr. David Draisen, Ms. Brenda Bradberry, Mr. Mike Brock, Dr. Gary Burgess, Mr. Nakia Davis, Mr. Dale Martin, Rev. Rufus Mitchell, Mr. Mike Upton, and Joey Nimmer, Ex Officio.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Nimmer began by asking that Anderson County District Five's request for approval to hold a public auction to empty the District Surplus Warehouse of school related furnishings and equipment be added to the agenda. Their request was received after the meeting information was mailed to the board members. Mr. Mike Upton moved to approve the agenda as amended. Dr. Gary Burgess seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote, the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes – July 23, 2018 Board Meeting

Dr. Gary Burgess made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Dale Martin seconded the motion. With a unanimous vote, the minutes were approved.

Request to Consider District Five Liquidation

Ms. Brenda Bradberry made a motion to approve the request to hold an auction to liquidate excess and surplus assets by Anderson District Five and Mr. Upton seconded it. Ms. Bradberry asked who the auctioneer would be and Mr. Nimmer said it would be put out to bid prior to awarding it to an auctioneer. When more information is available, he will pass it along to everyone. With a unanimous vote, the request was approved.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Nimmer began by stating the Legislative Delegation unanimously approved the 2018-19 budgets for the County Board and Alternative School on July 24th. Everything was very positive at the meeting.

Filing for the November election is now closed. We have Seat 1, Gary Burgess, running unopposed. Seat 3, currently held by Coach Martin, has three candidates: Tyler Cureton, Jim Haning, and Roderick P. Houston. Seat 4, no candidates filed for the seat formerly held by Dana Grant; Seat 5, Mike Brock, running unopposed; and Seat 6, Nakia Davis, running unopposed.

Chairman David Draisen awarded Dr. Gary Burgess a Certificate of Achievement from the South Carolina School Boards Association for reaching Level Four in the Boardmanship Institute Training Program as a school board trustee in Anderson County School District Four. The Boardmanship Institute offers a year-round training curriculum focused on leadership skills for board members on state and national education issues. Dr. Burgess received a round applause from the board members for his achievement.

Financial

A. Tax Collection YTD vs. Budget: Mr. Nimmer reported that we have transitioned into the new fiscal year and, as is normal for this time of year, there is very little money coming in. Each district has collected about one percent of their annual budget at this time. Normally collections begin to pick up at the beginning of October.

B. Assessment Totals: Mr. Nimmer stated that he received the assessment reports late this afternoon and it is virtually unchanged from the past couple months. The value of a mil county wide is holding at about \$770,000 which represents the unadjusted value. The adjusted value of a mil is about two-thirds of that which is adjusted to remove the 4% properties due to Act 388.

C. Education Sales & Use Tax: Through the end of July, the cumulative total collected county wide is \$72,841,196.02. As a reminder, Mr. Nimmer stated that 20% of the money collected goes to rollback debt service millage and 80% is used for projects.

Old Business

Mr. David Draisen mentioned the Legislative Delegation is willing to continue the conversation regarding funding SRO's in all counties. Ms. Brenda Bradberry mentioned that she would like to see additional funding for more mental health counselors in our schools.

New Business

Ms. Brenda Bradberry made a motion to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Rev. Rufus Mitchell and was followed by a unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Draisen.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Gary Burgess, Secretary of the Anderson County Board of Education
This is a true and correct copy of notes taken at the meeting.