

**Anderson County Board of Education**  
907 North Main Street, Suite 202, Anderson, South Carolina 29621  
February 18, 2019

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

**Board Members Present:** Mr. David Draisen, Ms. Brenda Bradberry, Mr. Mike Brock, Dr. Gary Burgess, Mr. Nakia Davis, Mr. Jim Hening, Mr. John Martin, Rev. Dr. Rufus Mitchell, Mr. Mike Upton, and Mr. Joey Nimmer, Ex Officio

**Board Members Absent:** None.

**Approval of Agenda:** Dr. Gary Burgess made the motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Mike Upton seconded the motion and the Board members agreed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Nakia Davis made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2019 meeting. Rev. Dr. Rufus Mitchell seconded the motion and the Board approved the minutes unanimously.

**Recognition of Media and Patrons/Public Comment Period:** No one from the media or public was present for public comment.

**Consideration of Request from Anderson School District Five:** Mr. Nimmer referenced the letter from Anderson County School District Five requesting to hold a live auction to sell surplus material. The proceeds from the auction will be returned to the general fund. Ms. Brenda Bradberry made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Mike Upton seconded the motion and the Board members agreed unanimously.

**Anderson County Alternative School Report:** Mr. Nimmer said the Alternative School report in their packet has been updated from what was previously sent in the mail. There are 108 students Currently enrolled, last month they had 97, and last year at this time, 94 students. On the back of the report they have listed the students that left the Alternative School as well as why they left.

**Administrator's Report:** Mr. Nimmer reminded the board that the annual convention of the South Carolina School Boards Association will be held later this week at the Marriott in Hilton Head. For those that have room reservations, the confirmations were forwarded, but Mr. Nimmer also printed copies and handed those out as well. Mr. Haning is registered for the New Board Orientation and Mr. Martin will take part in the New Board Orientation in June. Everyone who is planning to attend has a room and is registered. Mr. Nimmer shared that the conference expects 600 members to attend the convention.

**Financial:**

**A. Tax Collections YTD vs. Budget:** In the packets, Mr. Nimmer said the revenue report is included for all the districts, the Alternative School, and the County Board. We have already moved through the first penalty date for the Ad Valorem taxes and have maintained a collection rate slightly ahead of where we were at the same point last year. Depending on the district, it can range anywhere from 1% to 2.25% ahead and that is a good sign for us. We have seen a reduction in the amount of delinquent taxes in most cases which means more people are paying on time.

**B. Assessment Totals:** Mr. Nimmer referenced the green sheets with the tax assessment totals and said we have stayed fairly consistent with these totals. After meeting with the auditor last week, he said most all the appeals have been handled and does not expect this figure to change much until the final appeals for the new growth put on last year. We have stayed well above the \$780,000 per mil that we anticipated and are at \$787,805 per mil right now. Typically the assessment totals that are in place in April or May are used by the districts to forecast Ad Valorum tax receipts for the coming year.

**C. Education Sales & Use Tax:** Since the inception of the penny sales tax in March, 2015, we have collected \$85,198,980.18. Those collections continue to be well ahead of predictions.

**Old Business:** No old business was discussed.

**New Business:**

- A. ADM Accounts Payable**
- B. SFS Accounts Payable**

Ms. Brenda Bradberry made a motion to pay both bills, seconded by Rev. Dr. Rufus Mitchell. The Board unanimously approved.

**2019 Committee Assignments:** Chairman David Draisen passed out new committee assignments for the Board members for 2019 that he compiled over the weekend. He told the Board members that if they would prefer to work on another committee, to let him know.

**2019 Meeting Dates for Anderson County Board of Education:** Mr. Nimmer passed out an updated list of meeting dates for this year. The April meeting has been moved to the 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the normal scheduled meeting falling during Spring Break.

**Adjourn:** With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

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.