

**ORANGEBURG CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE** 

## **BOWMAN -- NORTH -- ORANGEBURG**

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

## Tuesday, July 8, 2014 – 7 PM Clyburn Center - Media Room

Chair Ulmer called meeting to order and on behalf of the Board of Trustee of the OCSD5 School District wanted to thank everyone for coming. She asked Trustee Jenkins to lead us into a Moment of Silence as well as the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Jenkins wanted everyone to know that Trustee Stephens lost his sister today and to please pray for him and his family.

Chair Ulmer asked for a motion to approve the Agenda, Trustee Gleaton motioned with Trustee Page 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Courses for Board Approval**: Mrs. Hook brought back the courses from last Board meeting for approval. In answering the question brought up at the last Board meeting regarding the Art classes at Howard and why they were separated by grade level. Upon speaking with Ms. Gail Ivory-Mack, Mrs. Hook said she was told that the courses are divided by grade level based on a meeting with the Teacher's at that time, who expressed each year the course increases in the level of difficulty outlined by the Arts Standard, so the decision was made. Trustee Gleaton wanted to know if the Senior Seminars were included at North every year why did they have to be voted on. Mrs. Hook said that some courses have to be approved annually. Trustee Jenkins moved that the Board approve the Courses as they were presented by Mrs. Hook and the Administration, seconded by Mrs. Carson, approved, motion is adopted.

Trustee Farlow wanted a brief explanation on transportation for the Primary Advanced Academic Learners Program students. He said parents were concerned about transporting children so young, from one part of the county to another, and why was the program not being offered at other schools for the  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$ graders. Mrs. Hook explained that the G&T program is the only early literacy program offered for  $1^{st}-2^{nd}$ grade and is considered a leader program for our present G&T program leading into  $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$  graders at Marshall. So as a program we had to select a site to house additional classes and could provide what was needed for the children as well as the teachers. There are only 22 students in the G&T class along with G&T endorsement for teachers, it would be more costly to put 5 children at one, 7 at another and so on so looking at many factors it was more economical to house them in one facility. Trustee Carson asked if they were selected with parental approval, Mrs. Hooks replied that they were tested under specific criteria, teacher recommendation and parental consent, it is an optional program.

**NEW BUSINESS – SCSBA Nominations**: This award is given to individuals who have contributed to education in district five.

**Delegates** (December Advocacy/Legislative Conference- Trustee Carson and Trustee Jenkins volunteered to be the Delegates.

**Students Petition to receive High School Diploma**: A document was presented to the Board regarding the outline that must be followed. Superintendent Wilson stated that they have taken steps to identify students as far back as they could who are eligible. It was asked of the Board to vote on grant waivers for each of the students listed, that would allow the opportunity to proceed and get their respective diplomas instead of waiting for that student to contact them. Trustee Page motion that the Board allow Superintendent Wilson and staff to move in haste to get this action started and completed, Trustee Jenkins 2<sup>nd</sup>. Trustee Gleaton just wanted to know how far back were they allowed to go, it was replied back to 1990. Motion was adopted.

**FINANCE AND OPERATION**: Donnie Boland-Wanted to share the revised Budget for 2014-2015. The Fund Balance was approved and increased from last reading by \$1M. Trustee Gleaton wanted to remind everyone that the \$1M that was inserted was not the intent of her motion last month, this \$1M should not be included in the revenues to balance the budget, and it was only for the job loses they were trying to save. Mr. Boland replied that he understood and was going to address it on the expenditure side. Which he showed that when they presented the Budget, it had a negative \$541,587 and he shared that they were still in the process of looking at areas they could further reduce. He indicated that we talked about job losses and the motion was made to include that amount of money so that folks would not have to lose their job. That's what we've done, gone back and restored positions, keeping an accurate count of the positions restored and the dollar amount. What I did with the \$1M is address the deficit that was presented and you will see that \$458T number change throughout the year. For example, in my department when I restored the Custodial positions, I needed \$162T, you will see the \$458T go down and the maintenance budget goes up by that same amount. Our intent is to show you those adjustments and account for the \$1M that was allocated at the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Now it brings up the point that the original budget you passed is going to be

different once all the adjustments are made, we have to charge specific expenditure items to the account that is appropriate. Superintendent Wilson wanted to remind them of Trustee Stephens comments on teacher supplies and how they had agreed to bring forward items like that, she did not want them to forget that they had discussed items beyond the restoring of positions.

## 8:00PM EXECUTIVE SESSION-motion by Trustee Carson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Page

**8:20PM RECONVENE/Regular Session**-motion by Trustee Page, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Stephens Motion adopted.

Chair Ulmer stated that in Executive Session they heard Personnel Matters and Personnel Recommendations, Superintendent Wilson recommended the Board approve personnel reassignment, separation, summary of recommendation for certified staff and summary of recommendations for professional staff separation. Trustee Jenkins motion that the Board approve the recommendation for personnel employment reassignment and separation and the summary of recommendation for certified staff for 2014-15 and also the summary of recommendation for professional staff separation 2013-14, Trustee Page 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved motion was adopted.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 PM

Transcription by: Priscilla Wilson Secretary to Board

Mary B. Ulmer, Chair

Henry Jenkins, Secretary