

Anderson County Board of Education
907 North Main Street, Suite 202, Anderson, South Carolina 29621
October 16, 2023

Call to Order: Chairman Mike Upton called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Rev. Jason Dorriety 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 at the meeting: Mr. Mike Upton, Dr. Vaughn Parfitt, Mr. Doug Atkins, Rev. Jason Dorriety, Mr. Greg Balog, Dr. Gary Burgess, Mr. Frank Kellum, Mr. Joey Nimmer ex officio and Mr. Nakia Davis by phone.

Board Members Absent:

Approval of Agenda: Dr. Gary Burgess made a motion to approve the agenda. Dr. Vaughn Parfitt seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – September 18, 2023, Meeting: Mr. Greg Balog made a motion to approve the September meeting minutes and Dr. Vaughn Parfitt seconded the motion. They were approved unanimously.

Recognition of Media and Patrons / Public Comment Period: Asher Alexander and Jonah Delfant-Thompson.

Report from Anderson County Board of Education Personnel Committee: Personnel committee will meet after tonight's meeting to go through the resumes for the Administrator job opening that has been received.

Renaissance Academy Report: Mr. Nimmer provided the board members with the monthly report on enrollment information for the academy. Mr. Nimmer stated that there are 86 students currently enrolled as of October 6, 2023, three are in the process of enrolling, which gives them 89 students. This time last year there were 64 students enrolled. On the back side of the report reasons for students leaving the academy are identified.

Administrator's Report: Mr. Nimmer handed out the current census map and the proposed plan census map. The maps are for possible redistricting that occurs every 10 years because of the census based on the population. No major changes for Anderson County Districts. Some lines have shifted a little, but all board members are still within their lines for their seats. The Board members received a copy of the 2023 Tax Levy for Anderson County that was voted on in July 2023. The Auditor, John Benca provided this information to Mr. Nimmer. Mr. Nimmer announced that Anderson University purchased the building where the County Board of Education office is located, on October 5th. This does not affect the office since we are still under a lease contract until 2034. Mr. Nimmer will be having a meeting with AU on October 26th about long term plan.

Financial

A. Tax Collection YTD vs. Budget: Mr. Nimmer reported that 4.5%-6% has been collected year to date. Property taxes will start being mailed out the week of October 23rd. Collections should go up more in the months of November, December, and up to January 16, 2024.

B. Assessment Totals: Mr. Nimmer mentioned the new report for assessment totals county wide through the end of September 2023 is at \$992,858 value of one mil. The value of a mil has stayed around \$990,000.00.

C. Education Sales & Use Tax: Lastly, Mr. Nimmer reported the Education Sales & Use Tax for the month of September collected \$3,140,398.79. Mr. Nimmer reminded everyone that 20% of these funds are posted to the sinking fund accounts of the districts to rollback debt service millage. The remaining 80% goes to capital projects.

Old Business: None

New Business:

A. ADM Accounts Payable

B. SFS Accounts Payable

Mr. Doug Atkins made a motion to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gary Burgess and was followed by a unanimous vote.

C. Meeting Date: The next Board meeting will be on Monday, November 20, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Mike Upton.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Nakia Davis Secretary of the Anderson County Board of Education
This is a true and correct copy of notes taken at the meeting.