

Anderson County Board of Education
907 North Main Street, Suite 202, Anderson, South Carolina 29621
September 18, 2023

Call to Order: Chairman Mike Upton called the meeting to order at 6:00 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, Mr. Nakia Davis, Mr. Joey Nimmer ex officio and Dr. Gary Burgess by phone.

Board Members Absent: Mr. Frank Kellum

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

Approval of Minutes – July 17, 2023, Meeting: Dr. Vaughn Parfitt made a motion to approve the July meeting minutes and Mr. Nakia Davis seconded the motion. They were approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – August 21, 2023, Meeting: Rev. Jason Dorriety made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes and Mr. Doug Atkins seconded the motion. They were approved unanimously.

Recognition of Media and Patrons / Public Comment Period: None

Report from Anderson County Board of Education Personnel Committee: Personnel committee met on September 11th to go through the job description for the Administrator job opening. A copy of the job description was handed out to the Board Members. After much discussion of the starting salary and some of the job description Dr. Vaughn Parfitt made a motion to approve the salary and Mr. Nakia Davis seconded the motion. The job will be posted on the schools and Anderson County Board of Education website this week. The committee will take applications through October 11th or until the Administrator job position is filled. There will be a committee meeting on October 16th after our monthly Board meeting.

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 80 students currently enrolled as of September 1, 2023, six are in the process of enrolling, which gives them 86 students. This time last year there were 58 students enrolled, which is significantly higher than last year. On the back side of the report reasons for students leaving the academy are identified.

Administrator's Report: Mr. Nimmer announced that Anderson University will be purchasing the Foothills Community Foundation building, where the County Board office is located, on October 5th. This will not affect the office since we are still under a lease contract until 2034. Secondly, an updated County Board Members list was handed out with their information. We must look at redistricting every 10 years because of the census based on the population. No major changes for Anderson County Districts except for District 1, they will have the most changes because of their growth in population. A Boardmanship Institute Training Report was handed out for all board members to review. Mr. Mike Upton and Mr. Nakia Davis received Boardmanship Level 3 pin and certificate.

Financial

A. Tax Collection YTD vs. Budget: Mr. Nimmer reported that collection money is coming in slowly. This should start going up with property taxes being mailed out in October. Collections should go up in late October and November. Mr. Nimmer has a meeting on Thursday with the Assessor, Auditor and Treasurer to be given the calendar for this year on what dates they plan to have everything in such as posting of the growth, any updates for municipalities and the dates the property tax bills will go to the printer.

B. Assessment Totals: Mr. Nimmer mentioned the new report for assessment totals county wide through the end of August 2023 is at \$992,578 value of one mil. The value of approximately \$990,000.00 should remain about the same for the of the year. There should be some additional growth in October. The value of a mil should increase by \$15,000-\$20,000 after posting in October, maybe slightly higher.

C. Education Sales & Use Tax: Lastly, Mr. Nimmer reported the Education Sales & Use Tax for the month of August collected \$3,193,969.16. 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. Nakia Davis made a motion to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Vaughn Parfitt and was followed by a unanimous vote.

C. Meeting Date: The next Board meeting will be on Monday, October 16, 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.