# Anderson County Board of Education 907 North Main Street, Suite 202, Anderson, South Carolina 29621 April 15, 2024

Mr. C. Nakia Davis, Board Secretary, served as Chairman in the absence of Mr. Mike Upton for this evenings Board meeting.

Call to Order: Acting Chairman Mr. C. Nakia Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Mr. Greg Balog was appointed as acting secretary for Mr. C. Nakia Davis for this evenings Board meeting.

**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. C. Nakia Davis, Mr. Greg Balog, Mr. David Blanding, Mr. Frank Kellam, Rev. Jason Dorriety, and Mrs. Susan Binninger ex officio.

**Board Members Absent:** Dr. Vaughn Parfitt, Mr. Mike Upton, Dr. Gary Burgess and Dr. Doug Atkins

**Approval of Agenda:** Rev. Jason Dorriety made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. David Blanding seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes – March 18, 2024, Meeting:** Mr. Greg Balog made a motion to approve the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes and Mr. Frank Kellam seconded the motion. They were approved unanimously.

## **Recognition of Media and Patrons / Public Comment Period:**

**Renaissance Academy Report:** Mrs. Binninger provided the board members with the monthly report on enrollment information for the academy. Mrs. Binninger stated that there are 107 students currently enrolled as of April 9, 2024, six are in the process of enrolling, which gives them 113 students. This time last year there were 87 students enrolled. On the back side of the report reasons for students leaving the academy are identified.

**Administrator's Report:** Mrs. Binninger stated that the School Board Day at the Capital in Columbia was held on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Balog attended the event and said that there were very good speakers and reports, everything went very well.

The School Law conference will be held on August 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> in Charleston, SC at the Marriott. Registration is not open yet; Mrs. Binninger will let you know when it is open to register.

We will have a Mental Health Summer program this year. Counseling will be held onsite at our office or by zoom with one of the Mental Health Counselors. District one and three will be funding this program. The other two school districts have not responded as of today.

## **Financial**

**A. Tax Collection YTD vs. Budget:** Mrs. Binninger reported that Districts 1-5 are above 100% collections for March year to date. This is due to some of the districts under reporting how much taxes they thought that they would receive, they received more than they expected. District 3 received their fee in lieu of taxes, more revenue than they anticipated. The County Board is at 90% and the Renaissance Academy is at 79%, we should reach the anticipated budget.

- **B.** Assessment Totals: Mrs. Binninger mentioned the new report for assessment totals county wide through the end of March 2024 is at \$1,043,953,495. value of one mill. This is an increase of \$275.00 per mill. The value of a mill should stay relatively the same for the remainder of the year.
- **C. Education Sales & Use Tax:** Lastly, Mrs. Binninger reported the Education Sales & Use Tax for the month of March collected \$2,989,088.25. This is an increase from last month and this time last year. Mrs. Binninger 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.

**Unfinished Business:** Mrs. Binninger emailed School Districts one and five about their policies on leave time. The Personnel Committee will be emailed dates for a meeting this week to discuss the changes to the Personnel Manual. The changes will be voted on at a later date by all Board Members.

#### **New Business:**

# A. ADM Accounts Payable

# **B. SFS Accounts Payable**

Mr. Greg Balog made a motion to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Rev. Jason Dorriety and was followed by a unanimous vote.

Meeting Date: The next Board meeting will be on Monday, May 20, 2024.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. C. Nakia Davis.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Greg Balog, Acting Secretary for Mr. C. Nakia Davis Secretary of the Anderson County Board of Education

This is a true and correct copy of notes taken at the meeting.