

BEAUFORT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
School Board Work Session Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2022
District Educational Services Center
Hybrid Meeting

Members Presents

David Striebinger, Chair	Ingrid Boatright	Earl Campbell
Cathy Robine, Vice Chair	Melvin Campbell	Tricia Fidrych
Angela Middleton, Secretary	Richard Geier	Christina Gwozdz
	William Smith	Rachel Wisnefski

Mr. David Striebinger convened work session at 9:01 a.m.

Dr. Christina Gwozdz made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Angela Middleton. The motion passed 8/0. Cathy Robine, William Smith and Rachel Wisnefski were absent from the vote.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A moment of silence was observed.

Mr. Striebinger stated that the media was properly notified.

Public Comments

- Joseph Castagnino (Phone), spoke about staffing issues.

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Budget Update

Mrs. Tonya Crosby presented the preliminary general fund budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

The Board broke for lunch at 12:00p.m. (Lunch was provided by the Culinary class at ACE. They had provided a food truck.)

Mr. David Striebinger called the meeting back to open session at 12:30p.m.

Social Media (Cyber Vetting)

Mrs. Ingrid Boatright led the discussion on social media policies. Ms. Walton shared the current social media policies in place related to the hiring process. Mrs. Wendy Cartledge shared information regarding initiating cyber vetting policies.

Overview on Special Education Dept. (Student population, # of teachers, etc.)

Dr. Juliet White presented an overview on Special Education and provided information on Resident School Population and Service School Population by Cluster vs Non-Cluster.

School Renewal Plans and District Strategic Plan

Dr. Mary Stratos introduced Nicholas Flowers, who presented the School Renewal Plans and the District Strategic Plan.

Mrs. Tricia Fidrych made the motion that the Beaufort County School District approve the annual review of the district strategic plans and school renewal plans. The motion was seconded by Mr. Earl Campbell. The motion passed 10/0. (Cathy Robine left the meeting at 2:00)

Support of Impact Fees

The Board was informed by the chair that the Board could not discuss impact fees due to a recently discovered legal issue.

Dr. Rachel Wisnefski made the motion to table the discussion until the legal issue has been resolved. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Angela Middleton. The motion passed 9/1. Christina Gwozdz voted against the motion.

BCSDPAC Updates

Professional Advocacy Council (PAC) Chair Dr. Megan DeWeese presented PAC initiatives – support for National Board certification and a professional development compensation plan for all staff members.

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 2:57p.m.

(Signature on Official File Copy) _____ Date: May 3, 2022

Angela Middleton, Secretary, Board of Education

Minutes prepared by Robyn Cushingberry, Executive Assistant

Motion Summary

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