Board Briefs

School District Five of Lexington & Richland Counties

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Synopses of meetings of the Board of Trustees of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties are provided for your information by the Office of Community Services.

May 23, 2011

At the May 23, 2011 school board meeting, the following took place:

- An update on the cost of the lawsuit brought by Kim Murphy, *Murphy vs. School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties and DHEC*, was provided. As of May 23, 2011, the estimated cost of the lawsuit exceeds $1.74 million.

- The school board voted 4-3 to give first reading approval to the 2011-12 General Fund budget.

- The school board voted 4-1-2 to approve a resolution urging legislators "to vote against the South Carolina Educational Opportunity Act (a tuition tax credit bill) and any attempt to divert public education dollars to private education interests."

- Final approval was given to board policies JHCB "Release Time for Religious Instruction;" JIE/JIF/JIG "Pregnant Students/Students with Children/Married Students;" JIH "Student Interrogations, Searches and Arrests;" JIH-E(2) "Student Parking Agreement;" JIHC "Use of Metal Detectors;" JII "Student Concerns, Complaints and Grievances;" JJ "Student Activities;" JJB "Student Social Events;" JJF "Student Activities Funds;" JJG "Contests for Students;" JJI "Interscholastic Athletics; and "BG/BGD "School Board Policy Process/Board Review of Administrative Rules."

- First reading approval was given to board policy JICJ "Cell Phones/Communication Devices."

- The board approved textbook adoptions for the 2011-12 school year.

- The board discussed Tax Anticipation Notes and a resolution to sell bonds for the capital projects budget.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the school board will be Monday, June 13, 2011 at 7 p.m. at the district administration building. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.