

**Bamberg County School District  
Board of Trustees Special Called Meeting  
Bamberg County School District Office  
May 21, 2025  
6:30 p.m.**

**Members present:** Board Chair Janeth Walker, Vice Chair Naomi Eckels, Secretary Cynthia “Cindy” F. Hurst, Trustee Gwendolyn D. Bamberg, Trustee Jeni Bunch, Trustee Harriet H. Coker, Trustee David Corder, Trustee Tonya A. Sanders-Govan, and Trustee Cathy Ayer Griffin.

**Absent:** None.

**Others present:** Tierney Goodwyn and Anyah Barber, Legal Counsel with Boykin & Davis, LLC.

1. **Call meeting to order:** Board Chair Janeth Walker called the meeting to order.

**Notice to Media:** In accordance with the S. C. Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, Section 30-4-80(E), The Times and Democrat Newspaper, The Bamberg County Leader, WIIZ 97.9 FM, WBSC-LP 102.3 FM, and the Bamberg County School District website have been notified of the time, date, place, and agenda of this meeting.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence**  
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.
3. **Approval of Agenda**  
**Secretary Cynthia Hurst moved, and Trustee Gwendolyn Bamberg seconded to approve the agenda as presented.** The motion passed 9-0.
4. **Executive Session**  
**Board Chair Janeth Walker called for a motion to enter Executive Session. Vice Chair Naomi Eckels moved, and Secretary Cynthia Hurst seconded, the motion to enter Executive Session.** The motion carried 9-0.

Board Chair Janeth Walker noted that the Board would be moving into Executive Session to discuss Employment/Personnel Matters Related to: Personnel Recommendations for Hire, Personnel Recommendations for Resignation, Matters Related to Release of Students and Employment/Personnel Matters Related to Superintendent Search.

**Open session:** Trustee Gwendolyn Bamberg moved, and Trustee David Corer seconded, the motion for the Board to come out of Executive Session and return to the regular session of the meeting. The motion carried 9-0.

5. **Action on Executive Session Items**

Vice Chair Naomi Eckels moved, and Trustee David Corder seconded the motion to accept and approve Agenda Item 4(a)(1) Personnel Recommendations for Hire for employees a, b, c, and d; Agenda Item 4(a)(2) Personnel Recommendations for Resignation for employees a, b, c, d, e, f, and g; and Agenda Item 4(b) To Discuss Matters Related to Release of Students for students 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19. The motion passed 9-0.

**Trustee David Corder moved, and Vice Chair Naomi Eckels seconded, that the finalists for the superintendent search be made public in relation to Agenda Item 4(c): Employment/Personnel Matters Related to the Superintendent Search.**

**6. Adjourn**

**Trustee Jeni Bunch moved, and Trustee Cathy Griffin seconded, the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 9-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Minutes approved:

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Janeth Walker, Board Chair

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Cynthia Hurst, Secretary