

ROCK HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT THREE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

School Board Work Session
Monday, December 17, 2018
Central Office

Student Call to Order

The Rock Hill School District Three Board of Trustees met this date at 6:00 p.m. for a combined work session / business meeting. *(The following are the minutes for the work session.)* Members present were as follows: *Windy Cole, Mildred Douglas, Brent Faulkenberry, Terry Hutchinson, Helena Miller, Robin Owens, and Ann Reid.*

A motion was made by Windy Cole, seconded by Ann Reid, to approve the agenda. The agenda was unanimously approved as presented, 7-0.

Tamarion Watkins, a fifth grader at Mt. Gallant Elementary School, led in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Miller stated the local news was notified of the agenda, in writing, on Thursday, December 6 and again on Sunday, December 16. *(This meeting was originally to take place on December 10 but was rescheduled to December 17 due to inclement weather.)*

Section “E” Policies – 2nd read

The following policies were presented to the Board for review and discussion:

- *Policy EBAB – Hazardous Materials**
- *Policy EBBA, EBBA-R – Prevention of disease/Infection Transmission**
- *Policy EBC – Emergencies**
- *Policy ECA, ECA-R, ECA-E(1), ECA-E(2) – Security**
- *Policy ECAF, ECAF-R – Video Cameras on District Property**
- *Policy EEAE, EEAE-R, EEAE-E – Bus Safety Program**
- *Policy EEAE, EEAE-R – Student Conduct on Buses**
- *Policy EGAD, EGAD-R – Copyright Compliance**

These policies will be on the Action Agenda at the December business meeting (immediately following this work session) for 2nd and final read.

Policy IC – School Calendar – 2nd read

In an effort for the school calendar development and to allow for more than one future calendar to be approved in a given year, Mr. Mychal Frost, Director of Marketing & Communications, presented revised **Policy IC – School Calendar** for review and discussion.

This policy will be on the Action Agenda at the December business meeting later tonight for 2nd and final read.

2019-2020 and 2020-2021 Proposed School Calendars

Mr. Frost presented proposed school calendars for 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years. Mr. Frost noted that the proposed calendars reflect the work of the 40-member district calendar committee representing every school in the district and feedback from nearly 1,000 respondents of a calendar survey

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administered in early November. Both calendars will be on the Action Agenda at the December business meeting.

Procurement Code Revision – Policy DJ

Mr. Tony Cox, Chief of Operations, reminded the Board that on October 23, 2017 they approved a revision to our Consolidated Procurement Code, along with the attendant policy “DJ” – *Purchasing*. The state’s Material Management Office (MMO) must approve any changes to this code. The district’s submission and request for approval was denied by MMO on October 18, 2018.

Under MMO guidance, the administration has developed a new plan for a “substantially similar” revision, and intends to bring the state-approved code, regulations and attendant policy “DJ” back to the Board by the end of this fiscal year.

The Board’s attorney recommends that the Board simply rescind the approvals on October 23, 2017 and August 28, 2017 of amendments to the District’s Procurement Code, and thereby recognize that the District’s Procurement Code approved July 1, 2008 is currently in effect.

This item will be on the Action Agenda at the December business meeting for approval.

Selection of Attorneys / Legal Services Firms

Mr. Tony Cox, Chief of Operations, and Mrs. LaWana Robinson-Lee, Purchasing Director, presented to the Board the procedure used to select legal services firms with expertise in one or more areas – **business and corporate law, student affairs, personnel and employment, real estate**. Selected firms would serve the district in addition to those firms currently “grandfathered”, which are *Halligan, Mahoney, & Williams* (business/corporate law, student affairs, personnel/employment, real estate); *Morton & Gettys* (business/corporate law, student affairs, real estate); and, *McNair Law* (business and corporate law).

The following firms, as well as the “grandfathered” firms mentioned above, are recommended to be appointed to advise and represent the district in the areas shown: *Anderson, Reynolds and Stevens* – business and corporate law; *Haynsworth, Sinkler and Boyd* – personnel/employment and real estate.

This will be on Action Agenda at the December business meeting for approval.

Board Retreat Date

Superintendent Cook informed the Board that Mrs. Gwen Hampton with the SC School Boards Association (SCSBA) has confirmed she will facilitate a retreat for the Board of Trustees on January 17, 2019 at the Central Office.

This date will be on the Action Agenda at the December business meeting for approval.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Brent Faulkenberry, seconded by Terry Hutchinson, to adjourn the work session and enter the December business meeting. This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.