

Dorchester School District Two (D-2) Board Meeting

October 9, 2017

Observer: Vicki Westberg

Meeting Highlights

- Meeting called to order @ 6:03 PM. There was a 58 second moment of silence to honor victims of Las Vegas shooting - then prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, no public comments, and minutes from previous meetings were approved.
- Flowertown Elementary School was one of three South Carolina schools to be awarded the National PTA School of Excellence Award. Eloquent speeches were made and pictures were taken.
- Six D-2 schools were recognized as DAP Grant Recipients (Distinguished Arts Program).
- Alston Middle school and Joseph R. Pye Elementary School received “Palmetto Finest” awards.
- Mr. Pye spoke about the responsibility of the district to ensure the safety of all 26,000 students and 3000 staff members by regularly reviewing and updating safety precautions and emergency response procedures. At each monthly principal’s meeting a new safety concern is discussed and updated. Drug sniffing dogs will be used in the high schools in areas where there will be no contact with students.
- The Board authorized Mr. Pye to hire an in-house attorney for the district, while maintaining a relationship with an outside law firm to handle potential litigation. Mr. Pye will submit to the Board a job description for this new position before the hiring process begins.
- D-2 will send 9 delegates plus one alternate to the 2017 Delegate Assembly in Charleston on December 2nd & 3rd.
- Megan Hatcher announced that the Teacher Forum had created 4 committees and awarded six \$1000.00 scholarships.

- There were no public comments. Meeting was adjourned at 7:24PM.