

Berkeley County School Board Meeting

April 25, 2017

Observer: Mev McIntosh

Matters Covered

Head Start Training: Board completed Head Start training prior to the meeting and approved the Expenditures report for March 2017 and Head Start's credit card report for March 2017

Legacy Builders: Legacy Builders included students from Goose Creek High School and Cane Bay High School along with Goose Creek High School's Winter Guard; Nicholas Snyder, ELA teacher at Cane Bay High School named 2017 District Teacher of the Year

Public Comment:

- Citizens comments were dominated by supporters of a teacher. The board chair noted that personnel matters and specific employment/non-employment could not be publicly discussed.
- Citizens comments also included Robin Berlinsky from Engaging Creative Minds, highlighting current partnerships with selected Berkeley County Schools and her hopes to expand into other schools in BCSD.

Financial Services:

- Financial Services sought approval for funding allocated for Berkeley High School's Stadium Bleachers Replacement. Board member Dave Barrow inquired about the source of the funding. Financial Services confirmed funds were from Capital Projects. One nay from board member but motion was still approved.
- Financial Services also presented a quarterly financial report as of March 31, 2017. Slides with further information were presented to the board and displayed for public view.

Instruction and Accountability:

- Instruction and Accountability summarized Summer Programs will continue; no change in cost, only change in the dates in which Summer Programs for 2017 will be offered.
- One change in a school renewal plan included revising Cross High School's plan to reflect the A/B schedule adopted for the 2018-19 school year.

District Strategic Plan: Sandy Brossard presented an overview of the 2017-19 District Strategic Plan. Board approved the strategic plan.

Superintendent Report:

- Interim Superintendent Deon Jackson presented the Superintendent's Report which highlighted Teacher Forum members for their work, recently selected Teachers of the Year and District Teacher of the Year, the Turnaround Awards for students (29 students recognized), and spoke highly of Archie Franchini, whose 44 years in public education have positively impacted students, schools, and communities.
- Superintendent Jackson reminded board members and the public of the **upcoming School District Budget Workshop on May 9 at 4:30 pm.**

Executive Session: Board members entered executive session to receive legal advice concerning financial investigation of the district per forensic auditor; legal advice regarding the \$98 million bond issuance; employment matters; 10 student attendance appeals; one expulsion appeal.