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# **Minutes**

## **HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 BOARD OF EDUCATION**



REGULAR MEETING 12/17/19 District Board Room Estill, SC 29918

The mission of Hampton County School District 2 is to provide a rigorous personalized learning environment of academic excellence that prepares *Each Child, Each Day,* and in *Every Classroom* to be **college/career** and **citizen** ready with no excuses.

6:00 p.m. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mary Ann Atkins made the motion to enter Executive Session. Jacqueline Hopkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (4/0) Jacqueline Hopkins made the motion to come out of Executive Session. Thomas Owens seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (4/0). Daisy Orr is absent.

- Human Resources- Personnel
- Legal Updates

Time

10

mins.

### 7:00 p.m. REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

	1.0	CALL TO ORDER – Earl Choice called the meeting to order. 7:10 p.m.		
2 mins.		<ul> <li>Statement of Media Notification         In accordance with the S.C. Freedom of Information Act, Section 30-4-80(e), South Carolina Code, 1987, as amended, all local news media have been notified of the date, time, location, and agenda of the meeting to include a posting on the district's webpage.     </li> <li>Approval of Agenda – Mary Ann Atkins made the motion to approve the agenda. Jacqueline Hopkins seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. Superintendent Wright made the motion to remove Policy BID; it is the wrong policy to discuss. Motion was carried unanimously. 4/0     </li> </ul>		
	2.0	MOMENT OF SILENCE		
15 mins.	3.0	PUBLIC COMMENTARY PARTICIPATION —  Any person may address the Board for a maximum of three minutes following the public comment card procedures. Each speaker must fill out a public comment card. The forum will be limited to 15 minutes.		

#### 4.0 POINTS OF CELEBRATION

Superintendent's Point of Celebration/Updates to the Board

#### **Points of Celebration:**

#### Student of the Month

We are elated to celebrate some of our outstanding students for being nominated as Student of the Month from their perspective schools. As mentioned during our September business meeting, the purpose of the program will be to recognize and honor individual students who have excelled in academics, leadership, and community service for all grade levels as determined by specific criteria for elementary, middle and high school outcomes. Not only will our honorees be receiving a plague for this outstanding accomplishment, but they will also be receiving a gift certificate for a pizza, 2-liter drink, and t-shirt from our new partner in education, Galaxy Food Center. Galaxy Food center is a proud sponsor of Hampton County School District 2's Superintendent Student of the Month recognition program. Board members, district-level leaders, school-level leaders, parents, and engaged community, please help me celebrate the Superintendent's Students of the Month for December 2019:

Estill High School: Kendall Williams, December 2019						
Grade:	4 <sup>th</sup>					
Hobby:	Playing outside with his brother and friends and playing video games					
Career Goal:	An ambassador for raising money for people who have cancer					

## Special Presentation (Synetria Hawkins): Mr. Deon Martin

On behalf of Estill High School, the Athletic Department, the Superintendent, and the Board Members of Hampton School District 2, we would like to thank you for the donation of the football uniforms. The students looked absolutely wonderful out on the field. We would also like to thank for your continued support for the Estill Gators both on and off the field. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all that you do for Hampton 2.

## • District Consolidation Updates:

Hampton School District One and Hampton School District 2 met in a joint meeting on December 10, 2019 at North District Middle School. The two boards of trustees selected Dr. Zona Jefferson to serve as consolidation facilitator. Dr. Jefferson will guide the boards in implementing the preliminary consolidation plan.

The boards of trustees used the results of a recent survey to determine the name of the new school district. We are proud to announce the new school district will be named Hampton County School District.

Dr. Sarah Williams and Mrs. Devona Youmans of Hampton County School District 2 presented the Preliminary Plan Review. They shared with the boards the changes and updates suggested by the State Department of Education to assist us with strengthening the plan.

Dr. Ronald Wilcox, Superintendent of Hampton County School District One, presented the Preliminary Plan Budget which included monies for items such as salary equalization, 1:1 devices and technology network infrastructure.

Board members voted to approve the changes to the budget and preliminary plan and request it be submitted to the state department for review/approval.

The new school district will need to receive a new DUNS number. The districts will need to select 1) a new school district name, 2) a central office location, and 3) an address for the new school district. Although both boards have agreed upon the new district name, it was determined that further information would be needed prior to selecting central office location and the address for the new school district.

Both boards will provide time for public input during their next individual board business meeting. The public is encouraged to attend both the local board meetings and the next joint consolidation meeting.

Hampton County School District One next regular board meeting will take place on December 16, 2019 at Central Office and Hampton County School District 2's meeting will take place on December 17, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the District Board Room.

The Joint Meeting of Hampton One and Hampton 2 School Boards will be held at Estill High School on January 14, 2020 at 5:30 PM.

**Capital Improvement** 

Deferred until January 2019.

**Student Enrollment Update** 

Deferred until January 2019.

# **Additional Information – Introduction of Local Delegates**

- Proviso 1.88 B states, "Any funds not used for the purposes of assisting districts eligible in (A) shall be distributed by the department to eligible districts for the purpose of funding shared school facility construction and upgrades in districts with a poverty index of seventy percent or higher or an index of taxpayer ability less than .009."
  - Priority is given to the "construction of shared high school and career and technology education facilities with priority given to districts that submit a plan for a facility that serves multiple school districts with average daily membership counts of less than one thousand five hundred and then for [other] purposes....." The Proviso also states, "The department of education shall prioritize the eligible projects with the greatest need and shall submit a list of recommended grant awards to the State Board of Education. We are elated to announce that on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, the State Board of Education approved initial allocations to districts under Proviso 1.88 (B). Hampton County was awarded an initial \$10,000,000 for the purposes of constructing a new high school. While the initial amount is not nearly enough to construct a new building, the state Superintendent of Education, Molly Spearman is requesting additional flexibility related to the 1.88 B funds. We can also thank our local delegation for assisting both Hampton County School District 2 and Hampton County School District One for obtain such funding.
- Mr. Chairman, Mr. Vice-Chairman, Members of the Board of Trustees of Hampton County School District 2, and audience members, it is an honor to have members of the South Carolina Legislature in our audience tonight who serve as our local Hampton County Delegates.
  - First let's welcome- **Senator Margie Bright Matthews** is a Democratic member of the South Carolina Senate, representing the 45<sup>th</sup> District since 2015, when she won a special education to succeed former Senator Clementa Pinckney.
  - Next, let's welcome **Senator Brad Hutto** is a Democratic member of the South Carolina Senate, representing District 40 which includes Hampton County.
  - Finally, let's welcome **House Representative and Hampton County native, Shedron D. Williams**. Representative Williams previously served on the Hampton County Council from 2010- 2018.

Local delegates, thank you for accepting our invitation to attend the regularly scheduled business meeting of the Board of Trustees for Hampton County School District 2. We know that the team in gearing up for the 2020 Legislative Session with a plethora of proposed laws up for consideration. However, the board of trustees for Hampton County School District 2 wanted to take some time to say "thank you" for your hard work and placing the best interest of our communities first in your decision making as lawmakers. Abraham Lincoln once said, "We can succeed only by concert. It is not "can any of us imagine better?" but, "can we all do better?" The dogmas of the quiet past, are inadequate to the stormy present. The occasion is piled high with difficulty, and we must rise -- with the occasion. As our case is new, so we must think anew, and act anew". Consolidation of the counties' two school districts bring about an opportunity for us to not only imagine better, but to do better and think anew regarding a world-class education for the students of Hampton County. Without further ado, I introduce the local delegation of Hampton County.

	5.0	0 BOARD MEMBERS REPORT		
15 mins.		<ul> <li>Board of Trustees Report</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>Thomas Owens discussed how well HCSD1 and HCSD2 have worked together through the consolidation</li> </ul>		
		process. Mr. Owens encouraged the community to attend the consolidation meetings.		
		<ul> <li>Jacqueline Hopkins stated that the Superintendents work hard to do their duties as leaders of the district</li> </ul>		
		and also lead the consolidation process.		
	6.0	SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - NEW BUSINESS		
		■ Office of Finance – Ms. Lakisha Youmans		
40	1. Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Audit Report – Stephanie Coln, CPA McAbee, Schwartz, Halliday & Co. – Stephanie Coln			
mins.		shared the 2018-19 Audit Report with the Board.		
		<ul> <li>Office of Administrative Services – Ms. Conchita Bostick (10 mins.)</li> </ul>		
		1. November 2019 Human Resource Report – Mrs. Bostick shared district vacancies updates		
		2. BOE Policy BID – tabled and removed; incorrect policy		
	7.0	CONSENT ITEMS – BOARD ACTIONS		
		1. Approval of Minutes from 11/5/2019 (Called BOE Meeting), 11/12/2019 (Jointed Meeting with HCSD 1 Consolidation),		
2		11/19/2019 (Regular Business Meeting), 11/21/2019 (Called BOE Meeting)		
mins.		2. Fall 2019 Bond Reallocation of Funds		
		3. Spring 2020 Bond Request		
		4. Capital Improvement Requests		
	0.0	5. Human Resources Holiday Bonus		
	8.0	EXECUTIVE SESSION (if warranted)		
1	9.0	ADJOURNMENT – Thomas Owens made the motion to adjourn. Mary Ann Atkins seconded the motion. The motion was		
min.		carried unanimously. (4/0).		

# **BOARD BUSINESS ACTIONS/VOTING RECORDS**

Regular Business Meeting- 12/17/2019

Superintendent's Recommendation	Motion/Voting Record
That upon the recommendation of the     Superintendent, the Board approves the following	Motion made by: Jacequline Hopkins Motion seconded by: Thomas Owens
meeting minutes	Voting Record
<ul> <li>11/5/2019 (Called BOE Meeting),</li> <li>11/12/2019 (Jointed Meeting with HCSD 1 Consolidation)</li> </ul>	voting necord
<ul> <li>11/19/2019 (Regular Business Meeting),</li> </ul>	⊠Earl Choice - Choose an item.
<ul> <li>11/21/2019 (Called BOE Meeting)</li> </ul>	MaryAnn Atkins - Choose an item.
	□Daisy Orr - Absent
	☑acqueline Hopkins - Choose an item.
	☑Thomas Owens - Choose an item.
	The motion passed 4 of 0
<ol><li>That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves reallocation of</li></ol>	Motion made by: Jacequline Hopkins  Motion seconded by: Thomas Owens
Fall 2019 Bond for Capital Improvements to	Motion seconded by. Monas Owens
purchase replacement mobile devices.	Voting Record
	⊠Earl Choice - Choose an item.
	⊠MaryAnn Atkins - Choose an item.
	□Daisy Orr - Absent
	☑acqueline Hopkins - Choose an item.
	☑Thomas Owens - Choose an item.
	The motion passed 4 of 0
3. That upon the recommendation of the	Motion made by: Jacequline Hopkins
Superintendent, the Board approves the Superintendent to implement a Spring 2020 Bond	Motion seconded by: Thomas Owens
request for Capital Improvements.	Voting Record
	⊠Earl Choice - Choose an item.
	MaryAnn Atkins - Choose an item.
	□Daisy Orr - Absent
	☑acqueline Hopkins - Choose an item.
	☑Thomas Owens - Choose an item.
	The motion passed 4 of 0

- 4. That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the following capital improvement requests:
  - Barbering Program with priority pre-planning
  - EHS Gymnasium Sound System- obtain quotes and bring back for further discussion
  - EHS Gymnasium Bleacher Replacement obtain quotes and bring back for further discussion
  - Baseball/Softball Field Lighting obtain quotes and bring back for further discussion.
- **5.** That, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board **approves Holiday Bonus as follows:** 
  - Fulltime Employees will receive \$200.00
  - Part-time employees working a minimum of 30 hours per/week will receive \$200.00
  - Directors and Principals will receive \$300.
  - Superintendent will receive \$500.

Motion made by: Jacequline Hopkins Motion seconded by: Thomas Owens

# **Voting Record**

**⊠Earl Choice** - Choose an item.

☑MaryAnn Atkins - Choose an item.

□ Daisy Orr - Absent

☑ Jacqueline Hopkins - Choose an item.

☑Thomas Owens - Choose an item.

# The motion passed 4 of 0

Motion made by: Mary Ann Atkins Motion seconded by: Thomas Owens

# **Voting Record**

**⊠Earl Choice** - Choose an item.

MaryAnn Atkins - Choose an item. 

□ MaryAnn Atkins - Choose an item.

Daisy Orr - Absent

**☑**acqueline Hopkins - Choose an item.

☑Thomas Owens - Choose an item.

The motion passed 4 of 0