

Revised
BOARD MINUTES
April 19, 2022
3:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Mildred Heatley, Chairperson
Mrs. Michele Bryngelson, Vice Chairperson
Mr. Willie Jenkins, Secretary
Mr. Jason Carraher
Mr. Brad Davis

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Greg Harrison – ex-officio (DD2)
Dr. James Hodges – ex-officio (DD4)

Notice to the Media: In accordance to SC Code of Law, 1976, Section 30-4-80 (d) as amended, the following have been notified of the time and location of this meeting: **The Post and Courier, The Journal Scene and the Eagle Record.**

Mrs. Heatley, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Dorchester County Career & Technology Center Board of Trustees to order by reciting the “Pledge of Allegiance” followed by a thought for today.

Welcome Visitors: There were no visitors present at today’s meeting. Mrs. Heatley opened up the floor to allow each employee of the Trolley Road facility to introduce themselves and to share information about their programs.

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Carraher made the motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to approve the agenda for today’s meeting with the exception of items 10, second reading of policy GBEBD, and 11, second reading of Policy AR GBEBD-R, to be postponed to a later date. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Discussion of Revision to March Meeting: Item to be discussed in Executive Session.

Approval of Minutes for Meeting held March 8, 2022: Approval of the minutes for the meeting held March 8, 2022, has been postponed until recommended changes have been made.

Discussion of Board’s Bills Claim for March, 2022: – (Mrs. Garrick): The Board reviewed the bills claim for March, 2022.

Discussion – Calendar Differences Between District 2 and District 4: Calendars from District 2 and District 4 were presented for discussion. After discussion, Mr. Davis made the motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher, to follow District 2’s calendar for the 2022-2023 school year. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Second Reading – Policy IMG – Animals in Schools: After discussion, Mr. Carraher made the motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to approve Policy IMG – Animals in Schools, for second and final reading. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

A Board Member's Moment – Mrs. Heatley: Mrs. Heatley opened up the floor for comments. Each Board member had an opportunity to speak.

District 2/District 4 Update: There were no representatives present from District 2 or District 4.

Administrative Report (Mr. Villeponteaux): Items discussed were as follows:

1. The spring dinner for our Advisory Board members was held on March 17 with 100+ business partners in attendance.
2. The Board members were invited to attend the Dorchester Skills Development Symposium which will be held on our campus on May 2nd. This is in regards to the Logistics program we have been talking about. The actual semi-truck will be located at Woodland High School at 10:00 a.m. The speakers and the symposium will be on our campus at 11:00 a.m. and lunch will be served.
3. We currently have 65 students participating in School-to-Work with our business partners.
4. Budget preparation has been on-going; we will be presenting to Dorchester County Council tomorrow via zoom conference.
5. We have signed a 6-month contract with Clean Sweep for a custodian, and she has been a great fit. Louise McCray, our previous custodian, has talked with Mr. Villeponteaux about the possibility of returning to work when she gets her medical release.
6. Dual Modality checks will be distributed in May.
7. Teacher contracts will go out this Friday.
8. Fred Williams has accepted a new position near his home in Columbia. We have a possible new hire and will review his resume along with District 4.
9. Our recruitment letter has gone out to all current sophomores and juniors in Dorchester County.
10. Mrs. Wright is still conducting walk-through tours of our facility with middle schools along with additional requests for tours.
11. Mrs. Disher and Ms. Akins have made several trips to Kion and brought back pictures of possible items they will be donating to our Logistics program.
12. The Agriculture department is still conducting plant sales.
13. We are having discussions with District 4 regarding the possibility of new programs on the campus of Woodland High School. They are Agriculture/Turf Management, Agricultural Science and Technology and Criminal Justice.

Executive Session to Discuss Staff Salaries and Budget Items: Mr. Carraher made the motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to go into Executive Session to discuss staff salaries and budget items. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made the motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to come out of Executive Session. No action was taken while in Executive Session. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made the motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher, that we strike the motion that was made in last month's meeting regarding custodial pay based on budget changes. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made the motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, that we clarify the motion made in last month's meeting to state that we will pay each staff instructor mentor a stipend of \$2,000 per year; half to be paid in December, the other half to be paid in May effective for the 2021-2022 school year. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Mr. Davis made the motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher, to redo the Director's contract to reflect his salary with a 6% increase which is recommended for all staff plus an additional 2% in lieu of a step. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Without objection, this meeting stands adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Chairperson or Designee

Secretary

Date