

**Williston School Board of Trustees**  
**May 21, 2013**  
**6:00 p.m. Budget Workshop**  
**7:00 p.m. Regular Monthly Meeting**  
**District Board Room**

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Scotty M. Richardson called the May 21<sup>st</sup> meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. for the budget workshop and regular monthly business meeting.

**2. 2013-14 Budget Workshop**

At 6:08 p.m., the Williston School Board of Trustees entered into the budget workshop for the purpose of discussing the 2013-14 budget.

Members present for the budget workshop: Chairman Scotty M. Richardson, Vice-Chair Billy A. Williams, Jr., Secretary Michael L. Hutto, and Trustee Charles H. Melton.

Members absent: Doris B. Young

Noting a quorum was present.

Media: Jonathan Vickery (The People Sentinel)

Also present for the meeting were Superintendent Dr. Tom Siler, Director of Finance Sally Kardes, Director of Special Services Jeriah Owens, Director of Instruction Dr. Rachel Wall, Maintenance Supervisor Ronnie Neville, Principals Nakeisha Baxley, Dr. Eavon Hickson, and Dr. Brian Newsome, Recording Secretary Debbie McNeil, and guests.

Some things discussed during the workshop were the Summer Work Project Proposals for 2013 and the issuing of general obligation bonds not to exceed \$150,000 to cover the cost of these proposed projects. The summer work projects will include asbestos abatement, door and hardware replacement, floor tile installation, painting of rooms, trim and new doors, and 2 student workers at a total projected cost of \$142,555.52.

**Regular Monthly Business Meeting**

The Williston School Board of Trustees entered into the regular monthly business meeting at 7:03 p.m. with the following board members present: Chairman Scotty M. Richardson, Vice-Chair Billy A. Williams, Jr., Secretary Michael L. Hutto, Trustee Doris B. Young and Trustee Charles H. Melton.

Members absent: None

Noting a quorum was present.

**3. Invocation/Pledge Allegiance to the American Flag**

The Invocation was given by Mr. Melton followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

**4. Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Richardson asked that the agenda be approved as written.

MOTION Mrs. Young SECOND Mr. Williams

ACTION Approved Unanimously

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Richardson called for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and April 27<sup>th</sup> special meeting.

MOTION Mr. Melton SECOND Mr. Hutto

ACTION Approved Unanimously

**6. Honors and Achievements**

Dr. Siler recognized the following students and their accomplishments:

- Lauren Hutto: Health Science Educator Award winner,
- Bryce Burton: Health Occupations Student Association (HOSA) Award winner, and
- Sally Walkup: 1<sup>st</sup> place winner of the Savannah River Site Leadership Speech Contest.

Dr. Siler also recognized 2012-13 Math Team Coach, Bernard Walters, and the 2012-13 Math Team for their outstanding participation in Math Competitions for the 2012-13 school year.

**7. Citizen's Participation**

No one addressed the Board of Trustees at this time.

**8. Continuing Business**

• **Human Resources Update**

Dr. Siler informed the Board that the Human Resources Update would be covered later on in the meeting with recommendations from the administration.

• **Operations Update**

Dr. Siler also informed the board that Operations Update would be cover under #9-New Business, Summer Work Project Proposal.

• **Legislative Update**

Dr. Siler gave a brief legislative update.

**9. New Business**

• **2013-14 Budget: Second Reading**

Dr. Siler and Director of Finance Sally Kardes presented the 2013-14 budget for 2nd reading. Dr. Siler recommended the Board approve the 2nd reading of the 2013-14 budget as presented.

MOTION Mrs. Young SECOND Mr. Melton

ACTION Approved Unanimously

• **Summer Work Project Proposal**

Dr. Siler made a recommendation for Board approval of the administration authorizing the issuance and sales of general obligation bonds not to exceed \$150,000 for the purpose of the proposed summer work project as presented.

MOTION Mr. Williams SECOND Mrs. Young

ACTION Approved Unanimously

• **Student Transfer**

Dr. Siler recommended Board approval of student "A" to be released from Williston School District 29 to attend school in Barnwell School District 45 for the 2013-14 school year, pending acceptance from that district.

MOTION Mr. Williams SECOND Mr. Melton

ACTION Approved Unanimously

**10. Executive Session: Contractual Matters, Legal Update, Student Matters, and Personnel**

Mr. Richardson called for a motion for the Williston School Board of Trustees to enter into executive session for the purpose of contractual matters, legal update, student matters, and personnel.

MOTION Mr. Hutto SECOND Mr. Williams

ACTION Approved Unanimously

At 7:20 pm, the Williston School Board of Trustees entered into executive session, joined by Ms. Shirley Fawley of the Law Offices of Childs & Halligan.

Mr. Richardson called for a motion to adjourn executive session.

MOTION Mr. Williams SECOND Mr. Hutto

ACTION Approved Unanimously

The Williston School Board of Trustees adjourned executive session at 8:57 pm.

**11. Action on matters discussed in Executive Session**

The following actions were taken on matters discussed in Executive Session.

**Contractual Matters**

Dr. Siler recommended the Board approve the hiring of Carol Free as high school math teacher and Christina Davis as high school ELA teacher for the 2013-14 school year.

MOTION Mr. Williams SECOND Mr. Melton

ACTION Approved Unanimously

**Legal Update**

Dr. Siler recommended the Board approve the retraction of the non-renewal recommendation of teacher "A" for the 2013-14 school year.

MOTION Mr. Hutto SECOND Mr. Williams

ACTION Approved Unanimously

**12. Superintendent's Update**

Dr. Siler brought it to the Board's attention that there was a correction made to policy BE, Board Meetings.

**13. Items for Information Only**

Dr. Siler presented the Board with information only at this time.

**14. Adjournment**

Mr. Richardson called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION Mr. Williams SECOND Mr. Hutto

ACTION Approved Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Scotty M. Richardson, Board Chair

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Debra W. McNeil, Recording Secretary