

**HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
***MINUTES – Board Work Session/Special Called Meeting***  
District Office  
January 4, 2010

The following persons were present:

Board Members:	David Cox	Paul Hudson	John Poston
	Joe DeFeo	Neil James	Pam Timms
	Will Garland	Kay Loftus	
	MaryEllen Greene	Paul Peterson	

Superintendent Cindy Elsberry

District Office Staff:	Gretchen Almeida	John Gardner	Sharon McCullough
	Cindy Ambrose	Kenny Generette	Gail Moss
	Edward Boyd	Sie Gilbert	Boone Myrick
	James Bradley	Ben Hardee	Bobby Nalley
	Teal Britton	Barbara Harrelson	Bert Owen
	Dottie Brown	Paul Hickman	Beverly Pilkey
	Carolyn Chestnut	Mollie Laut	Jeff Riddle
	Edi Cox	HT Lee	Brian Roessler
	Ed Curlee	Cindy Magrath	Jackie Stanley
	Wanda Fulwood	Rick Maxey	

Media: Vicki Grooms, Sun News

Meeting Notification: As required by SC Law §30-4-80, all local news media were informed of the date, time, and purpose of this meeting, and copies of the agenda were posted at the district office. Agenda copies were also distributed to all schools for posting.

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. The Conway High School Navy JROTC presented the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Neil James asked for a moment of silence in honor of Mary Kate Lovell, followed by the invocation, and Board members introduced themselves.

## AGENDA/MINUTES

***ACTION: Upon motion by Mrs. Loftus, second by Mr. DeFeo, the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the following revisions:***

- ***Postponed: Information #3.2. Financing Education in South Carolina***
- ***Addition: Business #6.2. Personnel Items Required by Law***

***ACTION: Upon motion by Mr. Cox, second by Mr. Hudson, the Board unanimously approved the minutes from the December 7, 2009 Board Work Session/Board Meeting.***

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

## INFORMATION

Disrupting Class – Board members, along with facilitators Gretchen Almeida and Jackie Stanley, discussed the final chapters of the book. A report was also presented by Ms. Michelle Tallada, Myrtle Beach High School AP English teacher, and students from her classes.

Annual Financial Audit Report – Mr. Steve Luoma, with McGregor and Company, presented results of the district's annual external financial audit.

Honors Recognition Program – Dr. Rick Maxey reviewed a draft of a district policy that incorporates the Latin honors system into the district high schools' graduate recognition system while retaining the traditional titles of valedictorian and salutatorian. This policy will be put in place immediately.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Elsberry planned to show two clips with information about aviation education programs in two different districts, but unfortunately, viewing was not possible due to issues with the electronic equipment. The clips will be shown at a later date.

## **SPECIAL CALLED SESSION**

***ACTION:** At 7:34 p.m., upon motion by Mrs. Greene, second by Mr. DeFeo, the Board adjourned the Work Session and called the Special Called Meeting to order.*

## **BUSINESS**

Consideration of Resolution to Research Aviation Program Partnership

***ACTION:** Upon motion by Mr. DeFeo, second by Mrs. Greene, the Board approved the proposed resolution to establish a partnership as described in the Resolution.*

Personnel Items Required by Law

***ACTION:** Upon motion by Dr. Peterson, second by Mr. Hudson, the Board approved personnel recommendations as presented.*

## **DEBRIEFING**

All Board members agreed that they adhered to the principles of Coherent Governance during the meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

***ACTION:** At 7:36 p.m., upon motion by Mrs. Greene, second by Mrs. Loftus, the meeting was adjourned.*

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**Wanda J. Fulwood**  
**Exec. Asst. to the Board and Superintendent**

**Approved: January 25, 2010**