

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
Denmark-Olar Board Room  
Bamberg County, South Carolina  
March 14, 2016 -7:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Larry Bias, Chairman  
Alvin Maynor, Vice Chairman (*participated by phone*)  
Tonie Holman, Secretary  
Loretta P. Goodman  
Blossom Thompson

**Also Present:** Thelma Sojourner, Superintendent

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Bias called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. In accordance with the SC Code of Laws, 1976, section 30-480(e) as amended, the following had been notified of the time, date, place and agenda of the meeting: WIIZ Radio Station, Barnwell; *The Advertiser-Herald*, Bamberg; and *The Times and Democrat*, Orangeburg.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call was conducted with attendance as recorded above.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

A moment of silence was observed.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The meeting agenda was unanimously approved as written without objection.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting held February 8, 2016 were unanimously approved as written without objection. All board members present signed the approved minutes.

The minutes of the special called meeting held February 12, 2016 were unanimously approved as written without objection. All board members present signed the approved minutes.

The minutes of the special called meeting held February 26, 2016 were unanimously approved as written without objection. All board members present signed the approved minutes.

**STUDENT SERVICES**

- **Students of the Month**

The following Students of the Month were presented with certificates and plaques by Mr. Bias and Dr. Sojourner:

- Kennedy Glover - Elementary School
- Natalia Saxon - Middle School
- Jessie Collins - High School

**PRESENTATIONS**

- **Teacher of the Month**

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- Dr. Anna Martin, representing Denmark-Olar High School, was recognized as Teacher of the Month. Dr. Martin received a certificate from the District and a gift card courtesy of the Denmark branch of South State Bank.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No one signed to address the board during Public Participation.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no Unfinished Business for discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business for discussion.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Mr. Bias thanked the administration, staff and community for their assistance in preparing for the recent AdvancED visit.

**SECTION 1 - FINANCE**

**Finance Report**

Mr. Anderson presented the monthly finance report which was received as information.

**SECTION 2 - CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

Dr. Johnson provided the following:

- Copies of Advanced Ed PowerPoint, reviewed the contents, and explained that the district had been recommended by the review team for accreditation and we are awaiting the final approval from the AdvancED committee
- Update on ESOL testing, GT testing of three students, WorkKeys, and that Special Ed students would be taking SC ALT the week of March 14
- Strategic Plan review schedule and stated that a formal invitation to participate would be forthcoming. The report was received as information.

**SECTION 3 - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION**

**Attorney Fees**

Mrs. Goodman moved that attorney fees for February 2016 in the amount of \$7,056.80 be paid. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Thompson and passed unanimously.

**Legislative Update**

Dr. Sojourner stated:

- March 16-17 had been designated as Legislative Days at the State House and encouraged the board's participation
- DOHS student, Zataevia Williams, met with Rita Allison and would be attending this event on March 17. The report was received as information.

**Proposed 2016-2017 School Year Calendar – First Reading**

Mrs. Goodman moved to accept the proposed 2016-2017 calendar as presented for first reading approval. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**SECTION 4 - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Sojourner provided information regarding::

- Soccer schedules
- HS Guidance Department Gazette

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- Recognized the elementary school and Dr. Peeples for receiving the Palmetto Silver Award
- Reminded Board members to file their Ethics Forms by March 30
- Presented the Youth Soccer League's request for continued use of district facilities. Mrs. Goodman moved to approve the request. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
- \$500 donation received from Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hagen from Minnesota for the purchase of school supplies
- Shared that the AdvancED Review Team stated that the district had the largest group of supporters they had seen for a district our size.  
The report was received as information.

**SECTION 5 - EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mrs. Goodman moved that the board enter Executive Session to discuss the following:

- Employment/Personnel Recommendations/Matters
- Student Personnel Matters
- Contractual Matters
- Legal Matters/Counsel

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Thompson and unanimously approved.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The board voted unanimously to return to Open Session.

**ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS**

- **Employment/Personnel Recommendations/Matters**  
Mrs. Goodman moved that the employment/personnel recommendations, with the exception of bus driver, JG, as presented by the superintendent be approved. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mrs. Goodman recused herself from voting and the employment of bus driver, JG, was approved on a motion by Bishop Holman, seconded by Mrs. Thompson and unanimously passed.

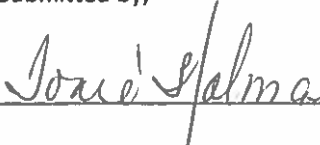
Dr. Sojourner recommended the use of a sub for the middle school Special Ed position for remainder of the school year. Mrs. Goodman moved that the recommendation be approved. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- **Student Personnel Matters**  
Dr. Sojourner recommended that student (initials LS, Jr.) be allowed to re-enroll in school for the 2016-2017 school year. Mrs. Goodman moved that the recommendation be approved. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
- **Contractual Matters**  
No action taken.
- **Legal Matters/Counsel**  
No action taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**



The meeting was adjourned without objection at 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

  
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Approved:

  
  
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Prepared by:  
Deborah M. Anderson

# BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM  
MARCH 14, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

## AGENDA

### CALL TO ORDER

### ROLL CALL

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM *(Action)*

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(Action)*

- Regular Meeting Held February 8, 2016
- Special Called Meeting Held February 12, 2016
- Special Called Meeting Held February 26, 2016

### STUDENT SERVICES

- Students of the Month

### PRESENTATIONS

- Teacher of the Month
- Presentation from Denmark-Olar Elementary School ..... Dr. Lorraine Peeples, Principal

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### NEW BUSINESS *(Action if Needed)*

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT *(Action if Needed)*

### SECTION 1 - FINANCE *(Action if Needed)*

- Finance Report ..... Rodney Anderson

### SECTION 2 - CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION ..... Dr. Ruby J. Johnson

### SECTION 3 - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION *(Action if Needed)*

- Attorney Fees
- Legislative Update
- Proposed 2016-2017 School Year Calendar-First Reading

### SECTION 4 - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT *(Action if Needed)* ..... Dr. Thelma Sojourner

### SECTION 5 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

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### RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

### ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

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### ADJOURNMENT