

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**Denmark-Olar Board Room**  
**Bamberg County, South Carolina**  
**December 10, 2018 - 5:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Larry Bias, Chairman  
Blossom Thompson, Vice Chairman  
Loretta P. Goodman, Secretary  
Tonie Holman  
Beverly Bonaparte

**Also Present:** Thelma Sojourner, Superintendent

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Bias called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 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 November 12, 2018 were unanimously approved as written and signed by all board members.

**STUDENT SERVICES**

**Students of the Month**

Mrs. Goodman and Dr. Sojourner presented certificates and plaques prepared for the following students:

- Messiah Brown, Elementary School
- Gabrielle Bennett, Middle School
- Tania Glover, High School

Dr. Sojourner also recognized two students, Cornelius Hammond and Ashlyn Watkins, who had assisted their teacher, Ms. Dianna Richburg, with photography and creation of PowerPoint presentations in the schools.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Teachers of the Month**

SGM Philip Robinson and SGM Barry Leveretter, representing the high school, were recognized as Teachers of the Month and were presented certificates and \$25 awards.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Rev. Rufus Jamison addressed the board regarding walkways around the new school building currently under construction and the placement of Public Participation on the board agenda. Mr. Bias requested that Rev. Jamison contact Dr. Sojourner to answer any questions he had regarding the building project.

## MINUTES

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#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business for discussion.

#### NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business for discussion.

#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mrs. Goodman stated that the board recently attended a legislative conference where they were informed that weather make-up days could not be completed until the end of the school year and that the legislators were trying to resolve the matter of uniform school calendar beginning and ending dates.

#### SECTION 1 - FINANCE

##### - Finance Report

Mr. Anderson presented the monthly finance report. Mrs. Goodman stated that the schools' reports showed substantial funds and that the schools should spend wisely for students. The report was received as information.

#### SECTION 2 - CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Dr. Johnson presented the following information:

- 2017 student assessment results;
- 2018 State Report Card overall ratings summary; and
- December 19 would be the last day for after school programs before the holidays.

The report was received as information.

#### SECTION 3 - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

##### - Attorney Fees

Mrs. Goodman moved that the attorney fees for November totaling \$3,545.49 be paid. Bishop Holman seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

##### - Legislative Update

Dr. Sojourner stated that

- At the recent legislative conference, a discussion was held regarding uniform school calendars; and
- Legislators are scheduled to address projected education budgets with the possibility for additional funding for 2019-2020.

The report was received as information.

#### SECTION 4 - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Sojourner provided the following:

-Request for Peer Educators to travel to Isle of Palms, SC, March 14-17, 2019. Mrs. Goodman moved that the request be approved. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

-Active Shooter Training has been scheduled for January 22, 2019

-The construction team was present at this meeting and would provide progress reports at the regular January board meeting

-Informed board members of the holiday drop-in on December 21

-Informed board members that students would be dismissed on December 21 as follows: 11:00 – middle school; 11:15 – elementary school; 11:30 – high school

-Aerial pictures of the phases on the building project as taken via drone by Dr. Martin

-Middle and high school basketball schedules

-Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority had adopted an elementary school family for Christmas

-The high school gym and B wing would be closed April 15, 2019 to begin construction/renovations in that area

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-SRO Jones had resigned and was replaced by Corporal Williams.  
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 Bishop Holman 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 an employee (initials WC) be granted a meeting with the board, with the district's attorney present, at a date to be determined that would be suitable for all board members. Mrs. Boneparte seconded the motion which unanimously passed.

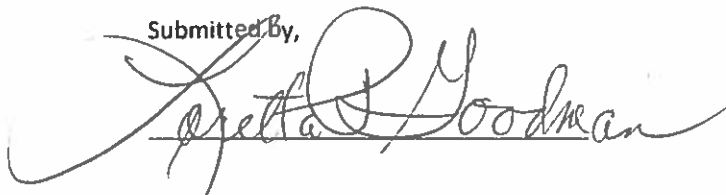
Mrs. Goodman moved that a board retreat be scheduled for January at a date to be determined to conduct budget discussions and technical training.

- **Student Personnel Matters**  
No action was taken.
- **Contractual Matters**  
No action was taken.
- **Legal Matters/Counsel**  
No action was taken.

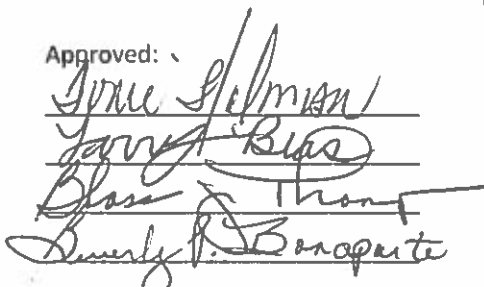
**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:04 p.m.

Submitted by,



Approved: ✓



Prepared by  
Deborah Anderson

# BAMBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM  
DECEMBER 10, 2018  
5:00 P.M.  
AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM *(Action)*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(Action)*

- Regular Meeting Held November 12, 2018

STUDENT SERVICES

- Students of the Month

PRESENTATIONS *(Action if Needed)*

- Teacher of the Month

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS *(Action if Needed)*

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

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

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ADJOURNMENT