

Clover School District Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
September 25, 2023
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The Clover School District Board of Trustees met on Monday, September 25, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. for executive session and for the regular business session at 6:00 p.m. Board members in attendance were Chairperson Rob Wallace, Vice Chairperson Ginger Marr, Secretary Jessica Cody, members Mike Ballard, Matt Burris, Keron Meeks, and Tracy Stiff.

Others in attendance for the open session were Superintendent Dr. Sheila Quinn, Chief Financial Officer Ken Love, Chief Operations and Student Services Officer Dr. Mark Hopkins, Chief Human Resources and Strategic Planning Officer Dr. Tony Hemingway, and Board Attorney Franklin Pendleton. Chief Academic Officer Dr. Millicent Dickey and Public Information Officer Bryan Dillon attended the Open Session only.

Per the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), The Herald was notified of the meeting's time, date, place, and agenda as amended. An agenda was posted at the meeting site and on the school district Web Site.

OPEN SESSION

Mr. Wallace called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. and requested a motion to convene the executive session. ***The motion for executive session was made by Mrs. Stiff and seconded by Mrs. Marr. The motion carried unanimously.***

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The executive session included discussions on personnel and legal matters.

A motion to adjourn executive session and go into an open session was made by Mrs. Cody and seconded by Mrs. Stiff at 5:59 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

OPEN SESSION-LIVE-STREAMED VIA YOUTUBE

Mr. Wallace called the public open session meeting to order at 6:05 p.m., which was Live Streamed via the district's YouTube page. The audience was welcomed and greeted. Mr. Wallace read the guidelines for the meeting format. The meeting continued with the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation by Mr. Ballard.

The September 25, 2023, agenda was approved with no objections or concerns.

The board approved the printed minutes from the August 28, 2023, regular meeting as written with no objections or additional concerns.

The board approved the staff personnel recommendations presented by the administration in executive session with no objections or concerns.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND APPRECIATIONS:

Dr. Quinn welcomed all in attendance after which the following recognitions were made:

OAKRIDGE ELEMENTARY

We started our recognition with Oakridge Elementary. OES was recently announced as one of only three schools in South Carolina to be named an i-Ready Super School. Super Schools are those that performed above the national average for stretch growth targets in both English Language Arts and Math. The

national average ranges between 30-35%. At Oakridge, 58% of students achieved stretch growth targets in math, and 56% achieved stretch growth targets in Reading. Congratulations to the students and staff at Oakridge Elementary for their great work!

CHEF MICHAW AND RHONDA YOMMER

Our next recognition goes to Chef Michaw of Clover High School and Mrs. Rhonda Yommer of the 9th Grade Campus. Earlier this month, Chef Michaw and Rhonda Yommer attended the ProStart Advisor Training and Recognition Conference in Columbia, SC where they were recognized for their continued work with students. This year, Chef Michaw and Mrs. Yommer were recognized for having the largest number of students to earn their ServSafe Food Handlers Certification (145). They earned this distinction for the third year in a row.

Chef Michaw was also recognized for having seven students earn their ServSafe Managers Certification and 2 Students complete and pass assessments for the ProStart Certification.

Congratulations to both for their continued hard work with the culinary program!

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH RECOGNITION

The Back-to-School Bash is a special Clover School District tradition that grows each year as our caring community steps forward to meet the needs of our students and remove barriers to participation that may exist for them. The following community organizations were recognized for their contributions:

- **Food Lion** **Chartwells** **Steppin' High** **Clover LEAF Foundation**
- **Keith Faulkenberry**-Barber Lounge, **Marcus Meeks**-Alexander's Barbershop, and **JoBeth Roberts**-Orange Rose Beauty

CSD SEPTEMBER EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

- As Clover School District strives to be the destination district in South Carolina for education, along with that comes a commitment to recognizing the staff members who stand out amongst their peers.

Our leading partner in recognizing these staff members is United Bank of Clover. We extend our gratitude to Mrs. Kate Manley and the staff at United Bank for their support of the staff members of the Clover School District and their gifts of \$25 to each staff member of the month. Staff Members of the Month in attendance, please come forward when your name is called.

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| ▪ Sarah Horne-BTY | Michelle Grigg-BTL |
| ▪ Corinna Green-Crowders Creek | Amanda Kaser-Griggs Road |
| ▪ Kimberly Lazarek-Kinard | Charlie Randell-Larne |
| ▪ Michele Schoenherr-OES | Jonathan Hopkins-CMS |
| ▪ Jean May-OMS | Kitisa McDowell-CHS |
| ▪ Hayley Davis-NGC | Marti Brown-ATC |
| ▪ Rhonda Ford-CVA | Cheryl Sniker-District |

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- **CLOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT INNOVATION BUS-MR. NICK LAFAVE, PERSONALIZED LEARNING INSTRUCTIONAL SPECIALIST**
Mr. LaFave presented an overview of the district's Innovation Bus and how it is used to support student learning. A copy of the report can be found by viewing this [link](#).
- **2023 STATE TESTING RESULTS-DR. MILLICENT DICKEY, CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER AND MRS. BETH GOFF, DIRECTOR OF TESTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY**
Dr. Dickey and Mrs. Goff provided an overview of student performance on SCREADY and End-of-Course tests. The presentation included a comparison of pre-pandemic and current performance levels. A brief overview of changes in how the state calculates growth and how the district is performing in light of the change was also provided. Please click here for the [full report](#).
- **POLICY UPDATES -FIRST READING-DR. TONY HEMINGWAY, CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES AND STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICER**
Dr. Hemingway presented the following policies for first reading: **Policy GCC** – Professional Leave Absences, **Policy GDC** – Staff Leaves and Absences, and **Policy KEC /AR KEC-R** – Public Concerns & Complaints about Instructional Resources. Policy GCC and GDC updated language to match current practices for leave. Policy KEC added language for facilitating meetings. The policies were moved to second reading for approval at the October business meeting. For a review of the policies, please see this [link](#).

MONTHLY FACULTIES REPORT – DR. MARK HOPKINS, CHIEF OPERATIONS AND STUDENT SERVICES OFFICER

Dr. Hopkins briefly updated the board on the Daimler site and the capital fund projects at Bethany CHS. His full report can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

FINANCE REPORT – MR. KEN LOVE, CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

- Mr. Love shared the printout of revenues and expenditures in the General Fund as of August 31, 2023, commenting that everything is in line with expectations.
- A request to surplus the following items from transportation was made: one (1) 1998 Ford Expedition, three (3) 1991 Thomas Blue/White Activity buses, and one (1) 1998 Thomas Blue/White Activity bus. **The board unanimously approved the request to surplus one (1) 1998 Ford Expedition, three (3) 1991 Thomas Blue/White Activity buses, and one (1) 1998 Thomas Blue/White Activity bus as requested by Mr. Love.**
- A report of the Bond Sales is as follows:
 - The first installment of the 8% General Obligation Bond was issued with the SCAGO on September 21, 2023. B of A Securities had the low bid of 3.647812%. The district received \$10,474,000, which will be repaid on March 1, 2024.
 - The first 50 million of the Bond Anticipation notes for the new high school construction was issued on September 18, 2023. Wells Fargo Bank was the low bidder at 3.618756%, and the delivery date is rescheduled for October 3, 2023. This note will be due in one year.
 - Funds from these issues will be deposited into separate accounts in the Local Government Investment Pool at the State Treasurer's Office.

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- The auditors have started reviewing the district's records for the year ended June 30, 2023. The audit report is due to the State Department of Education by December 1, 2023.
- Mr. Love also provided information on the district's outstanding debt summary.

Dr. Quinn and Mr. Wallace thanked the audience for attending.

Mrs. Stiff made a motion to adjourn the Open Session at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Marr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Rob Wallace, Chairperson

Mike Ballard

Ginger Marr, Vice Chairperson

Matt Burris

Jessica Cody, Secretary

Keron Meeks

Tracy Stiff

PLEASE NOTE: ALL MEETING INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT:

www.boarddocs.com/sc/clover/Board.nsf/Public

The live-stream of this meeting is available at:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/rknAcMHA9Zo?feature=shared>

Board minutes recorded by:

Marlene Spencer, Board Clerk