

**APPROVED ACTION AT
FLORENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
APRIL 8, 2008**

The Florence Board of education conducted a closed expulsion hearing for student 070801 at 3:30 p.m. The hearing concluded at 4:30 p.m. The regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

CONSENT ITEMS

Dr. Behrends recommended approval of the consent agenda including minutes of the March 18, 2008, Board meeting. Mrs. Staggs requested that Enclosure D be pulled for separate vote. Mr. Howard made a motion to approve the consent agenda exclusive of Enclosure D. Mr. Betterton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ENCLOSURE A –Personnel

Approved:

Employment in Supplement

1. Caroline Beumer, Varsity Cheerleader Sponsor

One-year Loan of Employees

2. Charlene Tibbals, Hibbett, loaned to AMSTI through Athens State University, first year (without loss of tenure)
3. Sue Koester, loaned to ARI at the State Department's request for final year (without loss of tenure)
4. Barbara Allgood, loaned to ARI at the State Department's request for a second year (without loss of tenure)

Leave of Absence

5. Sarah Margo Brothers, Assistant, Handy, for one calendar year (April 4, 2008-April 4, 2009)

Resignation from Supplement

6. Jackie Griffith, Math Teacher, Florence Learning Center, effective 3-31-08

Resignation from Position

7. Kay Davis, Music Teacher, Hibbett
8. Kimberly Wright, 1st Grade Teacher, Forest Hills

Retirement

9. Betty Bobo, Social Studies Teacher, Hibbett, effective 6-1-08
10. Cynthia Crawford, Science Teacher, Hibbett, effective 6-1-08
11. Beth Gabbert, FACS Teacher, Freshman Center, effective 6-1-08
12. Kay Simpson, Gifted Education Teacher, Hibbett, effective 6-1-08
13. Josephine Lovelace, CNP Worker, Handy, effective 6-1-08
14. Eupha Williamson, CNP Coordinator, effective 6-1-08

ENCLOSURE B – Bids/Purchases

Approved:

1. Lighting for soccer field – approximately \$50,000. Monthly investment charge for equipment plus the cost of equipment (to Florence Utilities) – approximately \$3,800
2. Technology purchase of mobile cart for systemwide training - \$29,456.29

ENCLOSURE C – Monthly Expenditures

Approved:

School system \$3,745,636 March, 2008

ENCLOSURE D – Option Agreement to Purchase Property

Dr. Behrends withdrew her original recommendation which had been approved in the consent agenda. Mr. Betterton made a motion to approve withdrawing the original recommendation. Mr. Howard seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Behrends recommended approval of Enclosure D with amendments as follows:

1. The steps at Burrell-Slater will be preserved with the right to move them in the preservation process.
2. The Florence Board of Education has the first right of refusal to purchase the Burrell-Slater if the Health Care Authority decides not to develop the property at the purchase price plus CPI rate for each year since the date of the sale. Mr. Howard made a motion to approve. Mr. Betterton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ENCLOSURE E – Budget Amendment to 2008 Budget

Approved:

Budget amendment to 2008 budget as presented

ENCLOSURE F – Out-of-State, Overnight Field Trip Request

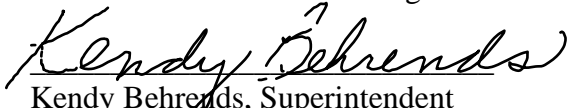
Approved:

Florence Falcon Theatre requested permission to travel to the Southeastern Theatre Conference in Chattanooga, Tennessee, the week of April 6. Two teachers and one adult chaperone will accompany four students to event.

OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board recessed to conduct two closed expulsion hearings at 5:25 p.m. Upon reconvening, Dr. Behrends recommended expelling student #070801, Rondeaus Boddie, for one calendar year. Mr. Betterton made a motion to approve. Mr. Howard seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Dr. Behrends recommended that student 070802 (a minor) be expelled for one calendar year. Mr. Howard made a motion to approve. Mr. Betterton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Dr. Behrends recommended that student 070803 (a minor) be expelled for one calendar year. Mr. Betterton made a motion to approve. Mr. Howard seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hibbett announced that the next regular Board meeting will be held Tuesday, May 13, at 5:00 p.m. There being no further business, Mr. Hibbett declared the meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.


Kendy Behrends, Superintendent