

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
RENAISSANCE ACADEMY
Anderson, South Carolina
March 27, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

The Board of Trustees of Anderson County Alternative School met at the Renaissance Academy on this date with the following members present: Mr. Tripp Bouknight, Ms. Pauline Grate, Mr. Mike Wilson, and Mr. David Wagner (via phone).

Ex-officio members present were as follows: Mr. Robbie Binnicker and Mr. Joey Nimmer.

Also in attendance from Renaissance Academy were Mr. Randolph H. Dillingham, Ms. Shirley Tate, Ms. Jeri Ruble, and a visitor, Ms. Kristen Bryan.

NOTICE TO MEDIA

In accordance with the S. C. Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80 (d), as amended, the following have been notified of the time, date, place, and agenda of this meeting: The *Anderson Independent-Mail*, *Williamston Journal*, *Greenville News-Piedmont*, WRIX, WYFF, WSPA, and Paul Brown News Service.

CALL TO ORDER & MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mr. Tripp Bouknight called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A moment of silence was held.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mr. Tripp Bouknight led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Mike Wilson made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Paulette Grate seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. David Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2023, Board Meeting. Ms. Paulette Grate seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one signed up to address the Board.

PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION

Ms. Paulette Grate made a motion that the Board accept the list of professionally certified staff as presented by Mr. Dillingham. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Nimmer distributed and presented the current financial statement as information, The school is in a good position financially.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Mr. Dillingham presented the current enrollment data. Enrollment is approximately 83 students.
2. Mr. Dillingham thanked the Board for rehiring the teaching staff.
3. Mr. Dillingham introduced Ms. Kristan Bryan as the new guidance counselor for the 2023-2024 school year.
4. Mr. Dillingham stated that a visitor from Louisiana, Ms. Shannon Milazzo, is coming to tour the school. She heard about Renaissance Academy from viewing the video produced a few years ago by the National Dropout Prevention Program. They are starting a new alternative program in Louisiana.
5. Ms. Youngblood from United Way will be visiting with our students to discuss the summer camp with staff and students.
6. Mr. Dillingham stated that the equine program is still a popular activity every Thursday morning, and the art program is still a very successful opportunity each Tuesday morning.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

1. Mr. Binnicker stated there was no official report from the superintendents.
2. Mr. Binnicker also welcomed Ms. Bryan to the Renaissance Academy.

Mr. Bouknight made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Wagner seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. The next meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, May 22, 2023, at 6:00 pm in the Middle School Conference Room at the Renaissance Academy.

Tripp Bouknight, Chairman

Vaughn Parfitt, Secretary

Shirley Tate, Recorder