

Minutes

6 p.m., November 17, 2009, District Board Room

Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Meeting

In attendance

Board members present-

Peter Barry, Janice Dabney (Secretary), Margaret Gamble (Vice-Chair), Don McCorkle, Charlene McGriff, Bobby Parker (Chair) and Mary Etta Taylor

Board members absent

None

District personnel-

Gwendolyn Conner (Human Resources Director), Jan Collins (Instructional Specialist), Robert Davis (Attorney), Scott Johnson (Information Technology Director), Carolyn Jordan (Instructional Services Executive Director), David Knight (Public Information Director), Shirley Mickles (SASI Coordinator), Gene Moore (Superintendent), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director), Patrice Robinson (At-Risk Student Support Executive Director), Mary Sherman (Procurement Director), David Small (Facilities Director) and Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer)

Guest-

Lesley Kelly (McGregor & Company) and Tom McDougal (Springs Memorial Hospital)

Press-

Jesef Williams (Lancaster News)

Citizens-

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Open session

Call to order and invocation-

BABA

At 6:00 p.m., Mr. Davis called the meeting to order. Ms. Gamble gave the INVOCATION.

Notice to media-

BCBB

In accordance with the SC Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, Cable 2, the Fort Mill Times, The Herald, the Kershaw News Era, the Lancaster News, the York Observer, WAGL, WRHM and WSOC were notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting.

Election of 2010 Chair-

BBAA, BBABA

Mr. Davis explained the process for election of officers.

Mr. Davis called for nominations for chair.

Ms. McGriff nominated Mr. Parker for chair.

Hearing no other nominations, Mr. Davis called for a motion to close nominations.

A MOTION to close nominations was made and seconded.

The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).

A VOTE to elect Mr. Parker was unanimous (7-0).

Election of 2010 Vice Chair-

BBAA, BBABA

Mr. Davis called for nominations for vice chair.

Mr. Parker nominated Ms. Gamble for vice chair.

Hearing no other nominations, Mr. Davis called for a motion to close nominations.

A MOTION to close nominations was made and seconded.

The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).

A VOTE to elect Ms. Gamble was unanimous (7-0).

**Election of 2010 Secretary-
BBAA, BBABA**

Mr. Davis called for nominations for secretary.
Ms. Gamble nominated Ms. Dabney for secretary.
Hearing no other nominations, Mr. Davis called for a motion to close nominations.
A **MOTION** to close nominations was made and seconded.
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).
A **VOTE** to elect Ms. Dabney was unanimous (7-0).

Executive session

**Executive session-
BCBK, GBC/D, GBO**

The chair announced the purpose for executive session was to receive resignations and one legal briefing.
The **MOTION** to enter executive session was made and seconded.
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

Open session

**Welcome-
BCB**

At 7:05 p.m., the chair welcomed the public on behalf of the board.

**Approval of meeting agenda-
BCBD**

The chair called for amendments to the agenda. Hearing none, the chair called for approval of the agenda as emailed. A **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the agenda as emailed.
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

**Results of executive session-
BCBK**

The chair noted that the board held an executive session at 6 p.m.

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the resignations of
 - Buford Elementary – Beth Hrebar, teacher-guidance counselor
 - District Office – Phyllis Mills, administrative assistant
 - Indian Land Elementary – Lisa Thomas, cafeteria operator
 - North Elementary – Donna Knight, cafeteria operator; Karen Neely, attendance clerk

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

**Trustees Awards-
KHA**

On behalf of the board, the chair presented Trustees Awards to

- S.C. Art Education Association 2009 Elementary Art Educator of the Year – Lisa Stamper, Brooklyn Springs Elementary
- S.C. Art Education Association 2009 Youth Art Month Coordinator of the Year – Teresa Petty, Indian Land Middle

**Public forum-
BCBI**

The chair outlined the procedures for addressing the board and invited any member of the audience to come forward.
Indian Land High parent Rebecca Bullard addressed the board, stating that she had just been notified by the school that her son Thomas was in danger of failing Algebra 2 and that if he did fail Algebra 2, he would not be allowed to take part in graduation exercises in May. She stated that she was afraid her son would drop out of school if he was not allowed to graduate because her son had already been in school 14 years because of health issues and because of the death of his father. She also stated that he had passed three math courses in North Carolina before he transferred here. She ask that the board help find a way for her son Thomas to graduate with his class.

**Springs Memorial Hospital discount
for district employees**
LB

Parent Darin Robinson addressed the board, stating that he had received the district's response to his requests during public forum at the last board meeting but that the response did not answer his questions. He reiterated the points he made during the last board meeting and asked again that the gross errors and inconsistencies be corrected so that his child can be admitted to the four-year-old program.

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. McDougal, who reviewed the 50 percent discount Springs Memorial Hospital is offering district employees and their families.

Dr. Moore and board members thanked Mr. McDougal for making the discount available and for the hospital's support of the school system.

Approval of consent action items-
BCBD

The chair called for approval of the consent action items below.

- Minutes of Oct. 20 regular meeting (BCBH)
- Second reading of proposed Political Solicitation in Schools Policy KJA, GAHBA (BDE)
- 2010-11 Course Guide (IDAB)

A **MOTION** to approve the consent items without discussion was made and seconded.

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

**Affirmation of
board policies for 2010-**
BDE

The chair referred board members to the appropriate agenda page and noted that the board needed to affirm policies for the next year.

A **MOTION** to affirm policies was made and seconded.

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

**Statement of 2010
regular meeting dates
and times-**
BCAA, BCAB

The chair referred board members to the appropriate agenda page and noted that the board will meet at 6 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month, except for December, when the meeting will be the second Tuesday.

A date for the 2010 Board/Superintendent Planning meeting will be set during the December meeting.

A **MOTION** to set the board meeting dates and times was made and seconded.

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

**Recommendation to approve
first reading of revisions
to Hiring of Administrative
Personnel Policy-**
BDE, CGD

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and reviewed the revisions.

After discussion, Dr. Moore recommended that the board approve the revisions on first reading.

A **MOTION** to approve first reading of the revisions was made and seconded.

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

Consent information items-
BCBD

The board agreed to receive without discussion the reports below as consent information items. The reports were mailed to board members before the meeting.

- Early Head Start monthly financial report (IDDH)
- FY 2009-10 45-day enrollment report (JB)
- H1N1 vaccination update (JGCC)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

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**Receipt of 2008-09
external audit-
DID**

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Walker, who introduced Ms. Kelly.
The auditor reviewed the audit and stated the district, for the twelfth year, received a clean, unqualified opinion. She thanked the accounting staff for its helpfulness as the audit was completed and commended the district for its financial program.
The report will be presented for board approval during the regular December meeting.

**Receipt of 2008-09
external procurement audit-
DID**

Dr. Moore recognized Ms. Sherman, who stated that the district chose to audit its procurement program yearly, although an audit every three years was required by the state.
Ms. Kelly stated the district procurement program received a clean opinion. She again commended the district for the way it runs procurement and thanked the procurement staff for its efforts to help as the audit was completed.

**Regular monthly
financial report-
DCH**

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the report.

**Facilities update-
FG**

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Small, who gave the update

**PowerSchool presentation
JR**

Dr. Moore recognized Ms. Collins and Ms. Mickles, who gave a presentation on the transition from SASI to PowerSchool.

**Process for filling vacant
Board of Trustees seat
ABCDA**

Dr. Moore referred board members to the appropriate agenda page and reviewed the process.

Adjournment-

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Janice Dabney, Secretary

Robert W. Parker, Chair