

Minutes

6 p.m., April 12, 2011, District Board Room

Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Meeting

In Attendance

Board members present-

Janice Dabney (Secretary), Margaret Gamble (Vice Chair), Tyrom Faulkner, Don McCorkle, Bobby Parker (Chair), Bill Sumner and Mary Etta Taylor

Board members absent-

None

District personnel-

Jan Collins (Technology Specialist), Gwendolyn Conner (Human Resources Director), Scott Johnson (Information Technology Director), Carolyn Jordan (Instructional Services Executive Director), David Knight (Public Information Director), Gene Moore (Superintendent), David Platts (Instructional Specialist), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director), David Small (Facilities Director) and Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer)

Press-

Reece Murphy (The Lancaster News)

Citizens-

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Open Session

Call to order and invocation- BABA

At 6 p.m., the chair called the meeting to order. Ms. Dabney 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, WAGL, WRHM and WSOC were notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting.

Executive Session

Executive session- BCBK, GBC/D, GBO, GBN, DFN

The chair announced the purpose for executive session was to receive resignations, retirements or terminations, one certified employment matter, one contractual employment matter, classified employment recommendations, student/personnel matter, student-personnel request and four contractual service matters. The MOTION to enter executive session was made and seconded. The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).

Open Session

Welcome- BCB

At 7 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
 - **A. R. Rucker** – Michael Teasley, French teacher
 - **A. R. Rucker** – Edna Tinker, cafeteria operator
 - **Andrew Jackson High** – Mary Kate Small, instructional assistant-media
 - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary** – Hilda Cook, instructional assistant; Carol Parker, administrative assistant
 - **Clinton Elementary** – Gloria Gordon, administrative assistant
 - **Indian Land Elementary** – William Hahn, Fast Forward lab manager
 - **Indian Land High** – Michael Thompson, bus driver
 - **Indian Land Middle** – Diana Smith, math teacher
 - **Kershaw Elementary** – Mary Beckham, cafeteria operator; Brenda Portman, cafeteria operator
 - **Lancaster High** – Karen Matlock, special education teacher; Ruby Outen, social studies teacher
 - **North Elementary** – Misty Lindgren, teacher
 - **Research & Development** – Hallie Christensen, alcohol prevention coordinator
 - **South Middle** – Janie McManus, teacher

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

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's certified employment recommendation for the 2010-11 school year of
 - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary** – Monica Diaz-Jimenez, ESOL

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

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's classified employment recommendations for the 2010-11 school year of
 - **Heath Springs Elementary** – Karen D. Kolb, cafeteria operator
 - **Indian Land Middle** – Wanda C. Culley, cafeteria operator

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

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to conditionally accept the superintendent's recommendation that the contract of one continuing contract employee not be renewed for the 2011-12 school year, subject to the board's duty to review the matter on the merits in a hearing pursuant to South Carolina law.

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

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve McGregor & Company, LLP to provide annual financial and procurement auditing services for the next five years, June 30, 2011, through June 30, 2015.

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

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the extension of the pest control services contract with Orkin for the 2011-2012 year with the option to renew for the 2012-13 school year.

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

- In open session, the chair called for a **MOTION** to approve a request to waive minimum entrance age requirement for a child to start kindergarten.

NO motion was made.

**Trustees Awards-
KHA**

The chair reported that the board had completed its executive session business.

- On behalf of the board, the chair presented Trustees Awards to
- Publication in Spring 2010 edition of *The Journal of Scholarship and Practice*, Annette Melton, Kershaw Elementary
 - 2011 Youth Art Month School Board Choice Award, Audry Mackey, Heath Springs Elementary
 - 2011 S.C. Junior Scholars
 - A.R. Rucker – William Anderson, Brooke Christensen, Dalton Creighton, Matthew Graham, Caroline Lalla, Michael Lindsay, Jessica Robertson, Andrew Stogner, Adam Varney, Ra’ Sontai Watson, Brian Williams
 - Andrew Jackson Middle – Jacob Wilson Chester, Alexis Danette Dabney, Jordan Leigh Eason, Drew Kaitlyn Griffing, David James Hagins, Rachel Faye Hovis, Trevin Dale McKoy, Haley Nicole Sims, Kolby Lee Whitley, Bradley Justus Wilson
 - Buford Middle – Keri Denise Beard, Courtney Jane Beckham, Michael Alan Bishop, Nicholas Robert Chavis, Michael Lane Dove, Richard James Gardner, Jimmy Lee Helms, Michael Wayne Knight, Seth Austin Muennich, Kyle Patrick Norcia, Jayne Evelyn Small, Ciera Alexandria Watts

**Purchase Award-
KHA**

On behalf of the board, the chair presented a Purchase Award and \$75 to South Middle student Jada Bush for her 2-D picture and to Lancaster High student Whitney Cunningham for her 3-D sculpture. Their artwork will be displayed in the district office.

**Special recognition-
KHA, LB**

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Platts, who introduced the district winners in the 2011 Poetry Out Loud contest – Andrew Jackson High senior Andrea Azumendi and Buford High senior Christopher Thomas.

Andrea recited *Ice Child* and *I’m Offering This Poem* and Michael recited *A Supermarket in California* and *Who Understands Me But Me* for the board.

Mr. Parker stated that the board is very proud of Christopher and all our students who entered the contest and commended them for their creativity and hard work.

**Public forum-
BCBI**

The chair outlined the procedures for addressing the board and invited any member of the audience to come forward.

No one addressed the board.

**Approval of consent
action items-
BCBD**

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

- Minutes of March 15 regular meeting (BCBH)
- Early Head Start monthly financial reports
- Mid-year textbook adoptions

A **MOTION** to approve the item was made and seconded.

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

**Regular monthly financial report-
DCH**

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

The chair called for a **MOTION** to approve the report.

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

**Recommendation to approve
strategic plan update-
GBA**

Dr. Moore referred board members to the appropriate pages and recognized Ms. Quinn, who reviewed the update.

Dr. Moore recommended the board approve the updated strategic

plan for submission to the State Department of Education.

A **MOTION** to approve the plan was made and seconded.

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

**Recommendation to approve
Bond Anticipation Notes**

DFD

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the reasons for the issuance of the Bond Anticipation Notes.

Dr. Moore recommended board approve issuing the bonds.

A **MOTION** to issue the bonds was made and seconded.

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

**Recommendation to approve
companies for staff annuities and
payroll deduction for-**

EGAE

Dr. Moore referred board members to the appropriate agenda pages and recognized Ms. Conner, who reviewed the companies for payroll deduction for staff annuities – ING, AXA Equitable Life, MetLife-CitiStreet Associates LLC and Horace Mann Life Insurance.

Dr. Moore recommended the companies be approved for payroll deductions.

A **MOTION** to approve the companies 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 emailed to board members before the meeting.

- Spring testing dates (IH)
- High school graduation schedules (IHF)
- Schedule for the end-of-second semester (AEA)
- Teacher Appreciation Week activities (GAD)
- Celebration of Excellence update (GBQ, GCO, IA)
- Child Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week–May 2-6 (EE)
- School Bus Driver Appreciation–Week May 2-6 (ED)
- National Nurses–Week May 6-12 (ED)
- Science fair winners (I)
- SCSBA officer/board nominations, resolutions and constitutional changes- (MGB)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

Library media presentation

ID

Dr. Moore recognized Jan Collins, who introduced media specialists Kim Blackmon, Buford High; Elizabeth Bryant, Indian Land High; Caitlin Creagan, Andrew Jackson High; Leigh Jordan, A.R. Rucker Middle; Deborah Keenan, Brooklyn Springs Elementary; and Robert LeRoy, Indian Land Elementary;

Update on FY 2010-11 budget-

DID

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Walker, who presented the update.

Facilities update-

FG

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

Adjournment-

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

Robert W. Parker, Chair