

# Minutes

6 p.m., January 17, 2012, District Board Room

Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Meeting

## In Attendance

### Board members present-

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

### District personnel-

LaMonica Blair (Good Behavior Games Coach), Deborah Boulware (Research & Development Step Grant Coordinator), Gwendolyn Conner (Human Resources Director), Rick Chandler (Attorney), Carolyn Jordan (Instructional Services Executive Director), David Knight (Public Information Director), Paul McKenzie (Research & Development Director), Gene Moore (Superintendent), Donna Parsons (Instructional Specialist), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director), David Small (Facilities Director), Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer) and Adrienna Witherspoon (Research & Development Programs Director)

### Guests-

None

### Press-

Reece Murphy (The Lancaster News); Ronnie Wall (Kershaw News-Era)

### Citizens-

87 people attended

## Open Session

### Call to order and invocation- BABA

At 6 p.m., the chair called the meeting to order. Mr. McCorkle 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, WBTV, 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, FGB

The chair announced the purpose for executive session was to receive resignations, 2011-12 certified/classified employment recommendations, one contractual personnel matter and two contractual property 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 Middle** – Tara Miyasaki, art teacher
  - **Andrew Jackson Middle** – Velma Faulkenberry, cafeteria operator
  - **Indian Land High** – Tiffany Burgess, biology teacher
  - **Indian Land Middle** – Leslie Haselden, science teacher
  - **Lancaster High** – Claudia Grier, English teacher
  - **Lancaster High** – Nancy Brasington, bus driverThe motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's certified recommendation to employ for the 2011-12 school year
  - **A.R. Rucker Middle** – Lara Whitaker, math/language arts teacherThe motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's classified recommendation to employ for the 2011-12 school year
  - **Buford Middle** – Melissa Knight, 29-hour classroom helper
  - **District Office** – Erin Kimbrell, 29-hour benefits assistantThe motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

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

**Trustees Awards-  
KHA**

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

- S.C. Scholastic Press Association 2011 Palmetto Award for Class III Schools – *The Rambler*, Lancaster High yearbook
- 2011 S.C. All-State Chorus – Katie Hinson, Doriah Knight, Abby Morrison, Sydney Phillips, Dickson Whitesides and Wendy Winn, all of Andrew Jackson High

**Special recognition  
ID**

- Dr. Moore recognized Dr. Jordan, who reported that the district now has 113 National Board Certified teachers. Four of these teachers were re-certified this year. Fifty-four other teachers who no longer work in our district received certification while working here. Dr. Jordan, Dr. Moore and the board congratulated the seven new National Board Certified teachers and the four who received recertification and commended them for their hard work.

The teachers earning certification this year are Elizabeth Bryan, Indian Land High; Hope Figuero, Erwin Elementary; Donna Graves, South Middle; Susan Hammond, Kershaw Elementary; Nicole Ritter, Indian Land High; Tammy Shirley, South Middle; and Whitney Wolfe, Buford Elementary.

The teachers earning re-certification this year are Wendy Bartell, Buford Middle; Lori Griffin, Indian Land Elementary; Gayle Lee, Indian Land Elementary; and Sam Mullis, Lancaster High.

**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 items below.

- Minutes of Dec. 13 regular meeting (BCBH)
  - Early Head Start monthly financial reports (IDDH)
- A **MOTION** to approve the items 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.

A **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the agenda as emailed.  
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

**Recommendation to approve  
school budget revisions-  
DCH**

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the 2010-11 school budget revisions and answered board members' questions.

Dr. Moore recommended the board approve the revisions.  
A **MOTION** to approve the school budget revisions was made and seconded.  
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (5-0).

**Recommendation to approve  
district-wide budget revisions-  
DCH**

Dr. Moore referred board members to the appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the district-wide budget revisions for 2010-11 and answered board members' questions.

Dr. Moore recommended the board approve the revisions.  
A **MOTION** to approve the district-wide budget revisions was made and seconded.  
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (5-0).

**Receipt of 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.

- Lancaster Educational Assistance Program update (DFD)
- July-December 2011 Athletic Financial Activity Report (LEB/LEC)
- 2012-13 school year calendar development process (AEA)
- Board/superintendent planning meeting–Feb. 3-4 (BCAF)
- Sole source, emergency procurement and trade-in procurement reports (DJE)
- Great American SmokeOut Essay contest (JCDA)
- District science fair competition (IDF)
- Celebrate Great Teaching Program (GAD)
- Celebration of Excellence – May 2 & 3 (GBQ, GCO, IH)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

**Mid-year financial reports-  
DA**

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the mid-year financial reports – general fund equity, special revenue fund, Education Improvement Act fund, debt service fund, capital projects funds, food service fund and pupil activity fund.

**Facilities update-  
FG**

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

**Grants update-  
DA**

Dr. Moore recognized Ms. Witherspoon, Ms. Blair and Ms. Boulware, who gave the update.

**Legislative update-**  
LB

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Knight, who reviewed the update.

**Adjournment-**  
BCBF

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

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Robert W. Parker, Chair