

# Minutes

6 p.m., October 16, 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), Bobby Parker (Chair), Bill Sumner and Mary Etta Taylor

#### Board members absent-

Don McCorkle

#### District personnel-

Gwendolyn Conner (Human Resources Director), Rick Chandler (Attorney), David Knight (Public Information Director), Tom McDuffie (Discovery School Site Manager), Gene Moore (Superintendent), Jonathan Phipps (Secondary Instruction Director), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director), David Small (Facilities Director) and Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer)

#### Guest-

Theo DuBose (Haynsworth, Sinkler & Boyd)

#### 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. Taylor 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, JD, DJE, FGB, D

The chair announced the purpose for executive session was to receive resignations, 2012-13 administrative letter of recommendation for employment, 2012-13 certified employment recommendations, 2012-13 classified employment recommendations, one personnel matter, a contractual property matter and a contractual services matter.

The MOTION to enter executive session was made and seconded. The motion PASSED unanimously (5-0 Mr. Sumner had to leave the meeting early).

### Open Session

#### Welcome & Pledge of Allegiance-

BCB

At 7 p.m., the chair welcomed the public on behalf of the board and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 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 (5-0).



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### 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/terminations of
  - **Andrew Jackson Middle** – Rebecca Wilson, cafeteria operator
  - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary** – Patti Burris, kindergarten teacher
  - **Clinton Elementary** – Jakiya Evans, speech language interventionist
  - **Lancaster High** – Tony Ford, business education teacher; Linda Funderburk, 29-hour classroom helper; David McGriff, ISS-Virtual School; Jane Nunn, science teacher (deceased)
  - **McDonald Green Elementary** – Tara Lear, cafeteria operator
  - **North Elementary** – Mindy Mills, 29-hour classroom helperThe motion passed unanimously (5-0).
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the superintendent's certified employment recommendations for
  - **Alternative Program** – Grady Ghent, social studies; Rachel Moore, English; Phyllis Noblitt, middle level language arts; Deborah Vickery, middle level science; Deborah Williams, middle level math
  - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary** – Lisa Lloyd, early childhood
  - **High School Alternative Program** – Kathy Brown, secondary principal/supervisorThe motion **PASSED** unanimously (5-0).
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the superintendent's classified employment recommendation for
  - **Alternative Program** – Mandy Rousseau, part-time guidance counselor; Sherry Wright, part-time Classworks
  - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary** – Donna Gardner, classroom helper; Anita McCain, AmeriCorps; Melissa Walters, AmeriCorps; Angela Woodward, AmeriCorps
  - **Buford Elementary** – Tammy Clark, AmeriCorps; Betsy Frasier, AmeriCorps; Gussenia Haggins, AmeriCorps
  - **Buford High** – Michele Ghent, nurse; Faye Roof, food service
  - **Buford Middle** – Frances Parker, instructional assistant
  - **Clinton Elementary** – Lynn Blackmon, reading support; Jamilia Brevard, AmeriCorps; Tandra Jowers, classroom helper; Chamere Palmer, AmeriCorps; Wilhemenia Sellers, AmeriCorps; Robert White, AmeriCorps
  - **District Office** – April Dover, AmeriCorps; Gwendolyn Drakeford, AmeriCorps
  - **Indian Land Elementary** – Debra Ealey, AmeriCorps; Stephanie Hailey, AmeriCorps; Michavia Izzard, AmeriCorps; Glenda Starkey, classroom helper; Tenisha Taylor, AmeriCorps
  - **Kershaw Elementary** – Ola Eason, AmeriCorps; Heather Holden, AmeriCorps; Dennell Petrie, AmeriCorps
  - **Lancaster High** – Katrina Cornelius, bus aide; Robin Crockett, receptionist; Mary Hazel, classroom helper; Tammy Kania, classroom helper; Kelly Tucker, ISS aide
  - **McDonald Green Elementary** – Chell Chambers, AmeriCorps; Martha Mobley, AmeriCorps
  - **North Elementary** – Bridget Phillips, classroom helperThe motion passed unanimously (5-0).

**Trustees Awards-  
KHA**

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the superintendent's certified retiree letter of employment recommendation for Martin Tiller Jr. as a secondary assistant principal at South Middle for the remainder of the 2012-13 school year.  
The motion passed unanimously (5-0).
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of a fourth amendment to base lease agreement and school facilities purchase and occupancy agreement.  
The motion passed unanimously (5-0)
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the superintendent's recommendation that the district participate in a settlement reached by various states attorney generals, including the S.C. attorney general, in a lawsuit with UBS concerning alleged violations of state and federal antitrust and other laws.  
The motion passed unanimously (5-0).
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the superintendent's recommendation to exempt Clayton Design from the competitive bid process for architectural and engineering services for McDonald Green Elementary's renovation project.  
The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

**AmeriCorps swearing-in ceremony-  
MD/MDA**

- On behalf of the board, the chair presented Trustees Awards to
- **2012 SCASA Personnel Director of the Year** – Gwendolyn Conner
  - **2012 SCSPA All-State Award and 2012 SCSPA Palmetto Award for Best Book in Class III Schools** – The Rambler, Lancaster High

**Public forum-  
BCBI**

The chair thanked AmeriCorps members for their service and administered the AmeriCorps oath. AmeriCorps director Patrice Robinson presented each member with an AmeriCorps pin.

**Approval of consent action items-  
BCBD**

The chair outlined the procedures for addressing the board and invited any member of the audience to come forward.  
No one addressed the board.

**Resolution to approve  
regular monthly financial reports-  
DCH, DID**

- The chair called for approval of the consent action items below.
- Minutes of Sept. 18 regular meeting (BCBH)
  - Recommendation to approve Early Head Start monthly financial reports. (DC)
  - Recommendation to approve YouthBuild monthly financial reports. (DC)
- A **MOTION** to approve the items was made and seconded.  
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (5-0).

**Delegates to SCSBA  
Delegate Assembly-  
LD, DF**

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the reports.  
After discussion, Dr. Moore recommended the board approve the reports.  
A **MOTION** to approve the reports was made and seconded.  
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (5-0).

The chair called for board members to serve as delegates to the SCSBA Delegate Assembly.  
After discussion, Mr. Faulkner, Mr. Sumner and Ms. Taylor were

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**Consent information items-  
BCBD**

nominated to serve as delegates.

A **MOTION** to approve the delegates was made and seconded.  
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (5-0).

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

- Early Head Start governance overview (IDDH)
- FY 2011-12 external audit update (DID)
- Discovery School annual report (ID)
- Indian Land High receives PLTW certification (MK)
- Clinton Elementary to participate in Project UNIFY (IDAAA)
- Red Ribbon Week report (IDBB)
- National School Bus Safety Week (ED, JGG)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

A **MOTION** to approve the reports was made and seconded.  
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (5-0).

**Common Core Standards-  
IC**

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

**Assessment reports-  
IDAF**

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Ms. Quinn, who gave the report.

**Facilities update-  
EB**

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

**Legislative update-  
LB**

Dr. Moore stated there was no legislative action to report.

**Adjournment-  
BCBF**

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

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Robert W. Parker, Chair