

Minutes

6 p.m., January 15, 2013, 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-

Gwendolyn Conner (Human Resources Director), Rick Chandler (Attorney), David Knight (Public Information Director), Gene Moore (Superintendent), Jonathan Phipps (Secondary Education Director), Donna Parsons (Instructional Specialist), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director), David Small (Facilities Director), Bryan Vaughn (Safety & Transportation Director) and Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer)

Guest-

Lora Bryson, First Steps director

Press-

Reece Murphy (The Lancaster News)

Citizens-

90 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, 2012-13 certified/classified employment recommendations, administrative employment recommendations, a contractual property matter and a legal briefing.

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/retirements of
 - **A.R. Rucker Middle** – Gwendolyn Herod, 29-hour classroom helper
 - **Adult Education** – Angela Neal, program assistant
 - **Buford High** – Steven Giles, vocational teacher
 - **District Office** – Chris Henningan, computer tech I; Mary Thompson, food services director
 - **McDonald Green Elementary** – Jill Nolan, science teacher
 - **Research & Development** – Lisa Baker, part-time administrative assistant

The 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 2012-13 school year
 - **Andrew Jackson Middle** – Kayla Nguyen, music education
 - **Indian Land Elementary** – Myra Little, school psychologist II; Tonya Woody, early childhood
 - **Indian Land Middle** – Keri Broadnax, special education, multi-categorical

The 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 2012-13 school year
 - **Adult Education** – Deborah McManus, part-time teacher; Alison Shehane, part-time office assistant
 - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary** – HuElla Walters, instructional assistant
 - **Indian Land Elementary** – Elizabeth Craven, 29-hour classroom helper
 - **Lancaster High** – Roxie Halls, instructional assistant

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

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's administrative recommendations to employ for the 2012-13 school year
 - **Andrew Jackson High** – Shuntay Stover, assistant principal
 - **Andrew Jackson Middle** – Kelly Phillips, assistant principal
 - **North Elementary** – Sarah Deason, assistant principal

The 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
- 2012 SCASA Middle School Principal of the Year– David McDonald
 - 2012 National School to Watch– Indian Land Middle (re-certified) and South Middle
 - 2013 ACDA National Honor Choir– Allie Dabney, Lexi Fletcher, Marisa Fletcher, Amanda Mobley, Lauren Rowell and Brittany Williams, all of Andrew Jackson High

**Special recognition
ID**

- Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Phipps, who reported that the district now has 114 National Board Certified teachers. Seventy-one other teachers who no longer work in our district received certification while working here. Mr. Phipps, Dr. Moore and the board congratulated the 15 new National Board Certified teachers and the 10 who received recertification and commended them for their hard work.

The teachers earning certification this year are Heather Althof, Andrew Jackson Middle; Deborah Cole, North Elementary; Katherine Crawford, Clinton Elementary; Curwood Dillingham, Indian Land Middle; Lizzi Eargle, Andrew Jackson High; Katherine Foo, Kershaw Elementary; Lynn Kelley, Andrew Jackson Middle; Erin Kirkley, North Elementary; Jenny McPhaul, South Middle; Donna Morrow, South Middle; Mindy Ries, North Elementary; Traci Shigley, Indian Land Elementary; Catherine Sims, Southside Early Childhood Center; Donna Wilder, Erwin Elementary and Amanda Williams, Erwin Elementary.

The teachers earning re-certification this year are Deirdra Chandler, Erwin Elementary; Tami Ethridge, Brooklyn Springs Elementary; Nancy Marshall, Lancaster High; Jennifer Parker, Kershaw Elementary; Donna Parsons, District Office; Amy Sizemore, Indian Land Elementary; Lori Small, North Elementary; Kathy Sullivan, Buford Middle; Lori Yarborough, Discovery School and Julie Thompson, Buford High.

**Public forum-
BCBI**

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

Melissa Horton, who serves as a substitute teacher in our district, spoke on training for substitute teachers. She felt if proper training was held for substitute teachers, our district could better serve our students.

**Approval of consent action items-
BCBD**

The chair called for approval of consent action items below.

- Minutes of Dec. 11 regular meeting (BCBH)
- Early Head Start monthly financial reports (IDDH)
- YouthBuild monthly financial reports (IDDH)
- Testing procedures (IDAF)

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.

After discussion, Dr. Moore recommended the board approve the report.

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

**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 2012 Athletic Financial Activity Report (LEB/LEC)
- 2013-14 school year calendar development process (AEA)
- Board/superintendent planning meeting – Feb. 1-2 (BCAF)

- Sole source, emergency procurement and trade-in procurement reports (DJE)
- Advanced Placement Scholars (ID)
- District Spelling Bee – Jan. 23 (IH)
- 2012 Great American SmokeOut Essay Contest (JCDA)
- District science fair competition (IDF)
- Celebrate Great Teaching Program (GAD)
- Celebration of Excellence – April 29 & 30 (GBQ, GCO, IH)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

**First Steps update-
MD/MDA**

Dr. Moore recognized Lora Bryson, who gave an update.

**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.

**Safety update-
EBBC, EBC**

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

**Facilities update-
FG**

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

**Legislative update-
LB**

Dr. Moore gave the update.

**Adjournment-
BCBF**

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

Robert W. Parker, Chair