

Minutes

6 p.m., February 19, 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

Board members absent-

None

District personnel-

Rick Chandler (Attorney), Scott Johnson (Information Technology Director), Sara Jordan (GearUp Site Advisor), David Knight (Public Information Director), Reggie Lowery (GearUp Program Coordinator), Paul McKenzie (Research & Development Director), Gene Moore (Superintendent), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director), David Small (Facilities Director), LaTasha Thompson (GearUp Site Advisor), Bryan Vaughn (Safety & Transportation Director), Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer); Adrienna Witherspoon (Research & Development Project Manager)

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. Mr. Parker 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, classified employment recommendations and contractual matters.

The MOTION to enter executive session was made and seconded. The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).

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 (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 – Stephanie Roach, teacher
 - Andrew Jackson Middle – Sarah Rollings, cafeteria operator
 - Barr Street Learning Center – Phyllis Noblitt, teacher
 - Brooklyn Springs Elementary – Crystal Burnette, teacher
 - Buford High – Russell Haselden, teacher; Emily Russell, guidance counselor
 - District Office – Jane Gibson, administrative assistant
 - Erwin Elementary – Derrelle Ballard, teacher; Linda Catone, administrative assistant/attendance clerk; Hope Figuero, teacher
 - Indian Land Elementary – Sherri Gamble, teacher; Brett Jones; Janet McLaughlin, classroom helper; Sarah Watts, teacher
 - Indian Land Middle – Debra Spivey, cafeteria operator; Andrew Walker, teacher
 - Kershaw Elementary – Rebecca Vincent, teacher
 - Lancaster High – David Helms, teacher
 - McDonald Green Elementary – Rhonda Fleming, teacher
 - North Elementary – Nancy Vanairsdale, teacher
 - South Middle – Lauren Douglas, teacher; Heather Watson, teacher

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (6-0; Ms. Dabney had to leave for a family emergency).

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's classified employment recommendations for the remainder of the 2012-13 school year
 - Adult Education – April Dover, 29-hour tutor; Iris Hinckley, part-time office assistant
 - A.R. Rucker Middle – Lori Gandy, 29-hour classroom helper; Rachel Outen, food service
 - Barr Street Learning Center – Demetria Roach, part-time guidance; Lane Williams, 29-hour teacher
 - Buford Elementary – Tina Davis, food service
 - Facilities & Maintenance – Jeffery Sullivan, maintenance apprentice
 - Indian Land Elementary – Susanne Mallekoote, food service
 - Indian Land High – Alexander Stincer, bus driver
 - Lancaster High – Markevias Cathcart, 29-hour classroom helper; Christopher Crockett, bus driver

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (6-0).

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to extend the contracts for the 2013-14 year with the option to renew for the 2014-15 with
 - A-1 Fencing (fencing)
 - A3 Communications (cabling services)
 - Hoffman & Hoffman (air filters)
 - Sherwin Williams (paint & paint supplies)
 - Southern Flooring, Inc. (refinishing gym floors) and
 - Toshiba of the Carolinas (copier contract)and to extend the contract for banking services with First

Citizens Bank for the 2013-14 year, which will be the seventh and final year of the contract.

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (6-0).

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to exempt from the competitive bid process the following services for the FY2013-14 year. The current service providers are listed below.

- Inspection & testing services

- Mead & Hunt, Inc. (special inspections of construction projects required by Office of School Facilities)

- JG Environmental Services (wastewater treatment plant at Buford High School)

- Elevator maintenance & repair services

- Thyssenkrupp Elevator Service (elevators at Clinton & Lancaster High schools)

- Garbage collection services

- Allied Waste/Republic Services (garbage collection services)

- Worker's compensation & property & casualty insurance

- SCSBIT (South Carolina School Boards Insurance Trust)

- Non-instructional student activity insurance

- Bates Brokers, Inc. (Maksin Group/American International Group (AIG) is the underwriter with an AM Best rating of A++ and a financial class of XV. The Maksin Group also administers our catastrophic coverage, provided for all student activities.)

- Criminal background check services

- Chapman Corporation

- Transcript request services

- Advance Imaging Systems

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (6-0).

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the sale of 0.32 acres of land to S.C. Department of Transportation for bridge improvement.

The motion **PASSED** unanimously (6-0).

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

**Legislative update-
LB**

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and reported on a meeting with members of the Olde English Consortium legislators. During that meeting, discussions of the limitations districts face as they build their school calendars because of state law led the legislative members present to agree to look at possible legislation to return control of school calendars to districts.

The chair reiterated that the district cannot finish exams on most years before the winter break because of current state law and asked those present to express their concerns about the effects of the existing calendar law to legislators.

Dr. Moore also reported on the legislature's work on the education budget and its proposed Base Student Cost.

**Trustees Awards-
KHA**

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

- 2012-13 S.C. Junior Scholars

- **A.R. Rucker Middle** – Hunter Funderburk, Michael Duffell-Hoffman, Alex Lambert, Powers “Teddy” Nor-

	<p>rell and Noah Phillips</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Buford Middle – Austin Hilton, Tyler Jenkins, Jeremy Jones, Stephanie Vasquez Loaeza, Taylor Loughry, Daniel MacAnn, Austin Mahaffey, Dilan Moore, Austin Walters and Ethan West– South Middle – Monterion Blackmon, James George, Tristan Goodyear, Madeline Harper, Emily Outen
<p>Public forum- BCBI</p>	<p>The chair outlined the procedures for addressing the board and invited any member of the audience to come forward.</p> <p>Lisa Causey addressed the board, asking the board to bring prayer back into public schools.</p> <p>Hearing no other requests from persons wishing to address the board, the chair closed the public forum.</p>
<p>Approval of consent action items- BCBD</p>	<p>The chair called for approval of consent action items below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minutes of Jan. 15 regular meeting and Feb. 1 & 2 planning meeting (BCBH)• Early Head Start monthly financial reports (IDDH)• YouthBuild monthly financial reports (IDDH) <p>A MOTION to approve the items was made and seconded. The motion PASSED unanimously (6-0).</p>
<p>Recommendation to approve regular monthly financial report- DCH</p>	<p>Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the report.</p> <p>A MOTION was made and seconded to approve the report. The motion PASSED unanimously (6-0)</p>
<p>Recommendation to approve school budget revisions- DCH</p>	<p>Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the 2012-13 school budget revisions and answered board members' questions.</p> <p>Dr. Moore recommended the board approve the revisions.</p> <p>A MOTION to approve the school budget revisions was made and seconded.</p> <p>The motion PASSED unanimously (6-0).</p>
<p>Recommendation to approve district-wide budget revisions- DCH</p>	<p>Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the district-wide budget revisions for 2012-13 and answered board members' questions.</p> <p>Dr. Moore recommended the board approve the revisions.</p> <p>A MOTION to approve the district-wide budget revisions was made and seconded.</p> <p>The motion PASSED unanimously (6-0).</p>
<p>Recommendation to approve first reading of Student Activities policy- BDE, JH</p>	<p>Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages, reviewed the policy revisions and answered board members' questions.</p> <p>Dr. Moore recommended the board approve first reading of Policy JH.</p> <p>A MOTION to approve the first reading was made and seconded.</p> <p>The motion PASSED unanimously (6-0).</p>
<p>Consent information items- BCBD</p>	<p>The board agreed to receive without discussion the reports below as consent information items.</p>

The reports were emailed to board members before the meeting.

- 2013 Spelling Bee winners (ID)
- Science Fair winners (ID)
- Black History Month activities (ID)
- *Celebrate Great Teaching* Program (GAD)
- *Celebration of Excellence* – April 29 & 30 (GBQ, GCO, IH)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

**GearUP update-
ID**

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Lowery, who presented a PowerPoint on the program – how it works and what it’s accomplished.

**Facilities update-
FG**

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

**Adjournment-
BCBF**

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

Robert W. Parker, Chair