

Minutes

6 p.m., April 21, 2015, District Board Room

Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Meeting

In Attendance

Board members present-

James Brooks, Janice Dabney (Secretary), Margaret Gamble (Vice Chair), Tyrom Faulkner, Don McCorkle, Bobby Parker (Chair) and Bill Sumner

Board members absent-

None

District personnel-

Rick Chandler (Attorney), Gwendolyn Conner (Human Resources Director), Butch Dutton (Secondary Instruction Director), Scott Johnson (Information Technology Director), David Knight (Public Information Director), Gene Moore (Superintendent), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director), David Small (Facilities Director) and Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer)

Guest-

Jimmy Wilhide (Moseley Architects)

Press-

Chris Sardelli (The Lancaster News)

Citizens-

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Open Session

Call to order and invocation-

BABA

At 6:00 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, DJE

The chair announced the purpose for executive session was to receive resignations, retirements, certified and non-certified employment recommendations and two contractual property 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. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Results of executive session-

BCBK

The chair noted that the board held an executive session at 6:20 p.m.

- In open session, a MOTION was made and seconded to accept the resignations/retirements of
 - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary** – Brenda Raffaldt, teacher
 - **Buford Elementary** – Donna Rabon, administrative assistant
 - **Clinton Elementary** – Tracey Ingram, 29-hour classroom helper
 - **Harrisburg Elementary** – Robbi Nusz, teacher

- **Indian Land High** – Kimberley Walker-White, attendance clerk
- **Lancaster High** – Gregory Shipston, teacher; Sarah Young, teacher
- **Southside Early Childhood Center** – Tomeiko Wright, parent educator

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

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's certified employment recommendations for the 2015-16 school year of
 - **Buford Middle** – Anna Howey, physical education
 - **Discovery School** – Rebekah Watson, elementary
 - **Indian Land High** – Tyler Brooks, mathematics; Neale Johnson, special education
 - **Lancaster High** – Lauren Barnes, mathematics; Lauren Killingsworth, mathematics; Katie Zekoski, English
 - **South Middle** – Robert Hill, social studies; Frank Speziale, special education

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

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's non-certified employment recommendations for the 2015-16 school year of
 - **Clinton Elementary** – Tracey Ingram, 29-hour classroom helper; Tracey Ingram, instructional assistant
 - **Indian Land High** – Horatio Blades, transition job coach
 - **Southside Early Childhood Center** – Jerri Sanders, family services coordinator

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

- In open session, a motion was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's recommendation to sell the property on Chesterfield Avenue, where the old maintenance shop was located, to Emoray Waiters for \$60,000.

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

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

**Legislative update-
LB**

Dr. Moore referred board members to the appropriate handouts containing information on legislative activities, noting that the legislature had not taken action on a bill to waive days missed because of the threat of bad weather.

**Trustees Awards-
KHA**

- On behalf of the board, the chair presented Trustees Awards to –
- **2015 S.C. Middle School Academic Challenge State Champion**
Indian Land Middle Academic Challenge Team
 - **2015 S.C. Class AAA State Girls Basketball Champion**
Lancaster High Lady Bruins
 - **2014-15 S.C. Class AAA All-State Girls Basketball Team**
Malia Rivers, Lancaster High; Gabby Davis, Buford High
 - **2014-15 S.C. North-South All-Star Boys Basketball Coach**
Ricardo Priester, Lancaster High
 - **2014-15 S.C. Class AA All-State Boys Basketball Team**
Darnell Rogers, Indian Land High
 - **2014-15 S.C. North-South Soccer Classic All-Star Coach**
Mark Bonda, Indian Land High
 - **2014-15 Children's Trust of South Carolina *On the Safe Side* Poster Contest First Place Award**
Ethan Hendrix, Buford Middle

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2014-15 S.C. Association of School Librarians' Junior Book Award Banner Competition First Place Award Toni Jenkins, Buford Middle• 2014-15 S.C. Junior Scholars Indian Land Middle – Aaradhya Bhoop, Dylan Boswell, Ju Hwan Cho, Haley Haverman, Kellen Hook, Samantha Howie, Logan Immel, Jalynn Iwu, Madeline Kersey, Jackson Koch, Victoria Marsicovetere, Mackenzie Meadows, Joshua Old, José Pac Reyes, Brenden Potter, Rachel Sadak, Hannah Schick, John Shaheen, Caroline Slater, Sydney Strader, Luke Voshell
<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. No one addressed the board.</p>
<p>Approval of consent action items- BCBD</p>	<p>The chair called for approval of the consent action items below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minutes of March 17 regular meeting and April 9 called board meeting (BCBH)• Early Head Start monthly financial report (IDDH)• Head Start monthly financial report (IDDH)• Recommendation to approve Lancaster Head Start Continuation Grant• Recommendation to approve textbook adoptions• Recommendation to approve second reading of Board Policy GAMA – Drug-Free Workplace• Recommendation to approve first reading of Board Policy GAMA – Drug-Free Workplace regulation <p>A MOTION to approve the items was made and seconded. The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).</p>
<p>Regular monthly financial report- DCH</p>	<p>Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the report. A MOTION to approve the item was made and seconded. The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).</p>
<p>Recommendation to approve companies for staff annuities payroll- EGAE</p>	<p>Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and recognized Dr. Conner, who reviewed the companies for payroll deduction for staff annuities – AXA, Horace Mann, ING and MetLife. Dr. Moore recommended the companies be approved for payroll deductions. A MOTION to approve the resolution was made and seconded. The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).</p>
<p>Recommendation to approve USCL dual enrollment courses- IDAB</p>	<p>Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and reminded the board about the dual credit presentation during last month's meeting when Mr. Dutton and USCL Off-Campus Program Director Danielle Faulkenberry reviewed the opportunities that would be possible through expanded dual credit course offerings. Dr. Moore and Mr. Dutton then reviewed the proposed expanded courses offerings, and Dr. Moore recommended the board approve the additional course offerings. A MOTION to approve the superintendent's recommendation was made and seconded. The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).</p>

Recommendation to approve snow make-up day option-
AEA

Dr. Moore referred board members to the appropriate agenda page and reported that the state legislature had not passed the bill allowing districts to waive the days missed because of the threat of severe weather.

Dr. Moore then recommended the board approve using Monday, June 1, as the make-up day, if the waiver day bill does not pass.

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

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

Recommendation to approve officer/board nominations, SCSBA resolutions & constitutional changes-
MGB

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and reviewed the opportunities for the board to make nominations or propose resolutions or constitutional changes.

Dr. Moore reported that the deadline to submit is June 27.

The chair asked that the item be included on next month's agenda.

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)
- Seventh graders recognized by Duke University Talent Identification Program (IH)
- High school graduation/baccalaureate schedules (IHF)
- Teacher Appreciation Week activities (GAD)
- *Celebration of Excellence* update (GBQ, GCO, IA)
- School Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week–May 4-8 (EE)
- School Bus Driver Appreciation Week–May 4-8 (ED)
- National Nurses Week–May 6-12 (ED)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

Teacher recruitment update-
IAA

Dr. Moore recognized Dr. Conner, who reviewed the department's efforts to attract the best and the brightest teachers to Lancaster County.

FY 2015-16 budget update
DID

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Walker, who reported that the Senate Finance Committee was working on the budget and no increase in the proposed per student funding cost had been discussed. He reported the projected county mill value had increased by 1.38% – or \$1,919 – to \$140,597 from \$139,044 in 2014-15.

Facilities update on Indian Land Middle additions-
FE, FED

Dr. Moore referred board members to the appropriate handout and recognized Mr. Wilhide, who reported that drawings were basically complete for the additions and renovations to Indian Land Middle School. He then reviewed the proposal, pointing out that the configuration of the additional classrooms supported the middle school team concept and that the renovations would make it possible to have separate classroom areas for each grade level.

Adjournment-
BCBF

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

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

Robert W. Parker, Chair