

Minutes

6 p.m., August 18, 2015, District Board Room

Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Meeting

In Attendance

Board members present-

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

Board members absent-

None

District personnel-

Angela Vaughan (Literacy Coordinator/Title I), Linda Blackwell (Elementary Education Director), Rick Chandler (Attorney), Gwendolyn Conner (Human Resources Director), Butch Dutton (Secondary Education 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:

Dean Faile, Lancaster County Chamber of Commerce

Press-

Chris Sardelli (*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. Brooks 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, WRHI and WSOC were notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting.

Executive Session

Executive session- BCBK, GBC/D, GBO, GBN, DFN, DO, CEI

The chair announced the purpose for executive session was to receive resignations, 2015-16 certified, non-certified and administrative employment recommendations, one contractual services matter, two contractual property matters, receipt of legal advice and the superintendent's evaluation.

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

Open Session

Welcome & Pledge of Allegiance- BCB

At 7:05 p.m., the chair welcomed the public on behalf of the board and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Results of executive session- BCBK

The chair reported results of executive session.

- In open session, a MOTION was made and seconded to accept the resignations of
 - **Adult Education**– Jean Roach, part-time teacher

- **Buford Middle**–Garrett Hammond, sixth-grade social studies teacher
 - **Clinton Elementary**– Tracey Ingram, instructional assistant
 - **Indian Land Elementary**– Jennifer Darcy, guidance counselor
 - **Indian Land High**– Billy Taylor, bus driver
 - **Indian Land Middle**– Effie Seaborn, cafeteria operator
 - **Lancaster High**– Eric Cauthen, Spanish teacher
 - **Southside Early Childhood Center**– Jerri Sanders, family service coordinator; Jennifer Terry, 29-hour bus aide
- 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
 - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary**– Zaikia Cancel, early childhood; Nancy Floyd, elementary; Amanda McCoy, psychology; Sharon Shannon, special education
 - **Buford Elementary**– Melanie Andrea, physical education
 - **Clinton Elementary**– Lori Sanders, early childhood; Megan Williams, early childhood
 - **Harrisburg Elementary**– Erin Brock, early childhood; Alexandra D’Amico, early childhood; Kristin Wilkerson, elementary
 - **Heath Springs Elementary**– Joshua Heffner, physical education; Jacque Leis, music education
 - **Indian Land Elementary**– Estrella Sandoval, elementary
 - **Indian Land Middle**– Alexa Padgett, social studies
 - **McDonald Green Elementary**– Rebecca Vincent, early childhood; Laura Weeks, media specialist
- 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
 - **Andrew Jackson High**– Phylipe Chevrier, bus driver
 - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary**– Peggy Harris, cafeteria operator
 - **Buford Elementary**– Cynthia Ford, cafeteria operator
 - **Buford Middle**– Patricia Starnes, nurse
 - **Clinton Elementary**– Beverly Mack, cafeteria manager
 - **Harrisburg Elementary**– Tanisha White, 29-hour classroom helper
 - **Indian Land Elementary**– Maritza Hargett, 29-hour classroom helper; Allison Hogle, instructional assistant; Susanne Mallekoote, instructional assistant; Rebecca Miller, 29-hour classroom helper; Angela Philbeck, 29-hour classroom helper
 - **Indian Land High**– Diane Bruegger, instructional assistant; Andrea Summers, cafeteria operator
 - **Indian Land Middle**– Susan Ferrara, cafeteria operator
 - **Lancaster High**– Judith Carter, bus driver; Katie Harris, cafeteria operator; Willie Ingram, bus driver
 - **McDonald Green Elementary**– Myra McLaughlin, parent coordinator
 - **Research & Development**– Haley Booher, administrative assistant
 - **South Middle**– Marlene Clark, cafeteria operator
- The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent’s administrative employment recommendation for the 2015-16 school year

**Legislative update-
LB**

**Trustees Awards-
KHA**

**Recognition of 2015-2016
Celebrate Great Teaching
Award Recipients-
GAD**

- **McDonald Green Elementary**– Christopher Davis, assistant principal
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to reappoint Rick Chandler as school board attorney.
The **MOTION PASSED** unanimously (7-0).
The chair reported the board had completed its executive session business.

There was nothing to report this month.

- On behalf of the board, the chair presented Trustees Awards to
- **2014-15 S.C. PASS Perfect Score – Science**
 - Zachary Blackwelder, Indian Land Middle
 - Hunter Snipes, McDonald Green Elementary
 - **2014-15 S.C. PASS Perfect Score – Social Studies**
 - Virginia Walker, A.R. Rucker Middle
 - **2014-15 Class AA North-South All-Star Softball Team**
 - Kaela Robinson, Lancaster High
 - **2014-15 Class AAA North-South All-Star Softball Coach**
 - Kim Perry, Lancaster High
 - **2014-15 Class AA/AAA North-South All-Star Baseball Head Coach**
 - Eric Funderburk, Buford High
 - **2014-15 SCBCA All-State Baseball Team**
 - Evan Flynn, Buford High Eric Miles, Buford High
 - **2015 International & S.C. Junior Civitan Club President of the Year**
 - Jonah Page, Lancaster High
 - **2015 International & S.C. Male Junior Civitan of the Year**
 - **2015 S.C. Most Service Hours Individual**
 - Dilon Patel, Lancaster High
 - **2015 International & S.C. District Officer of the Year**
 - Seth Phillips, Lancaster High
 - **2015 S.C. Club Officer of the Year**
 - **2015 International Shropshire Scholarship recipient**
 - Zack Catoe, Lancaster High
 - **2015 International & S.C. Junior Civitan Club of the Year**
 - **2015 International Junior Civitan Honor Club of Distinction**
 - **Environmental Project of Year On-Going Project of the Year**
 - **2015 S.C. Junior Civitan On-Going Campaign**
 - **Collection Selection**
 - **Most Service Hours**
 - **CIRC**
 - **Environmental Project**
 - Lancaster High Junior Civitan chapter

Dr. Moore referred the board to the appropriate agenda page and recognized Mr. Knight.

Mr. Knight reviewed the process and introduced the 2015-16 Celebrate Great Teaching recipients.

- Beginning Great Teaching Award recipient – Brandan Craig, Heath Springs Elementary;
- Elementary School Award recipient – Brandy Engel, North Elementary;
- Middle School and District Award recipient – Lisa Hallman, Buford Middle; and

**Public forum-
BCBI**

- High School Award recipient – Lizzi Elliott, Andrew Jackson High
The board and Dr. Moore congratulated the recipients and nominees and thanked them for the great things they do for students.

Indian Land Action Council representative Wanda Rosa addressed the board, stating that the council was receiving a lot of questions about future schools for Indian Land and busing of students to Lancaster schools. She stated that, unfortunately, Indian Land residents often miss information in the newspaper. She invited board members to action council meetings and stated the Lancaster County School District was a good system and she was proud to be a part of the system.

Concerned Lancaster resident Melissa Horton addressed the board, describing herself a “self-appointed crime watch president for Meeting Street.” She stated that she is working with City of Lancaster to improve lighting on Meeting Street and has noticed that the entrance to Clinton Elementary is very dark and the area where students are dropped off is overgrown. She is concerned about students walking to school in the dark as the time changes because a lot of students walk to school unaccompanied. She wants to know if the city council or school board would be responsible for improving the lighting at the school driveway and for trimming the overgrowth.

**Approval of consent action items-
BCBD**

The chair called for approval of the consent action items below.

- Minutes of July 21 regular board meeting and August 4 called meeting (BCBH)
- Early Head Start monthly financial report (DC)
- Head Start monthly financial report (DC)
- A **MOTION** to approve the consent items without discussion was made and seconded.

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

**Regular financial report-
DCH, DID**

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).

**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.

- FY 2014-15 external audit (DID)
- EIA \$250 teacher supplies reimbursement update (DIG)
- 2015 student scholarship totals (IA)
- *Welcome Back, Teachers* activities (AEA)
- Early Head Start/Head Start monthly federal progress summary (IDDH)
- Early Head Start/Head Start enrollment and attendance (IDDH)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

**The Leader in Me program-
GAD, LB**

Dr. Moore referred board members to the appropriate agenda page and recognized Ms. Blackwell and Mr. Faile who explained the project.

**Facilities update-
EB**

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Small, who reported that

- new roof on Buford Middle is complete
- renovations at Lancaster Career Center basically complete by

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- the first day of school – some painting still needs to be done and will be painted by maintenance paint crew
- Plans for Indian Land Middle additions and renovations submitted July 24 to State Office of School Facilities for approval.
 - Architect Jimmy Wilhide will be at the next board meeting to give timeline for completion of the project.
 - Work will add 400 seats to Indian Land Middle.
 - Possible dates for a work session on capital needs will be sent to board members.

**Opening of school update-
AEA**

Dr. Moore reported he visited every school in the district and walked more than six miles. District office staff members were assigned to every school for the morning and reported smooth openings across the district. Dr. Moore commended school and district staff members for all they did to make the great opening possible.

**Adjournment-
BCBF**

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

Approved: _____

Robert W. Parker, Chair