

# Minutes

6 p.m., December 8, 2015, District Operations Center/Board Room

## Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Meeting

### In Attendance

#### Board members present-

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

#### Board members absent-

None

#### District personnel-

Linda Blackwell (Elementary Instruction Director), 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), Mike Pettus (Security Guard), David Small (Facilities Director) and Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer)

#### Guest-

Lisa Muennich, Facilities Needs Committee Chair

#### Press-

Mychael Clark, WBTV: Alison Rauch, CN2; 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. Faulkner gave the INVOCATION.

#### Notice to media-

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.

#### Review of preliminary list from Facilities Needs Committee-

FDB

The board met at 4 p.m. at the district's operations center with Ms. Muennich, Dr. Moore and Mr. Small, who reviewed the Facilities Needs Committee's preliminary facilities needs list.

After discussion, the board reached consensus to direct the district's board attorney to draft a bond referendum resolution for \$199 million to meet the facilities needs.

The board then went to the district office for the remainder of its meeting.

## Executive Session

**Executive session-**  
BCBK, GBC/D, GBO, GBK, GBN, EB

The chair announced the purpose for executive session was to receive resignations/retirements/terminations, certified and non-certified employment recommendations, one contractual services matter, receipt of legal advice and 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 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 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
  - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary**– Evelyn McIlwain, instructional assistant
  - **Clinton Elementary**– Robin Dodson, speech teacher
  - **Southside Early Childhood Center**– Yashanda Clyburn, 29-hour bus aide; Annjenette Webb, child care instructorThe motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).

- In open session, a MOTION was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's certified employment recommendation for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year for
  - **Harrisburg Elementary**– Christopher Walburn, elementaryThe 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 remainder of the 2015-16 school year for
  - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary**– Darius Chambers, instructional assistant
  - **Buford Elementary**– Regina Davis, instructional assistant
  - **Indian Land Middle**– Kaswelda Carter, attendance clerk
  - **North Elementary**– Sherry Ingram, instructional assistant
  - **Southside Early Childhood Center** – Ceanna Plyler, instructional assistant; Julia Stewart, child care instructorThe motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).

- In open session, a MOTION was made and seconded to accept the superintendent's recommendation to award to Southern Builders of York County in Rock Hill the contract for additions and renovations at Indian Land Middle.  
The motion PASSED unanimously (7-0).

The chair noted the board had completed its executive session.

**Legislative update-**

LB

No report.

**Trustees Awards-**

KHA

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

- **2014-15 S.C. ACT Aspire Top Scale Score in English**
  - Sallie Blackmon, Heath Springs Elementary
  - Dylan Boswell, Indian Land Middle
  - Matthew Rogers, South Middle
- **2014-15 S.C. ACT Aspire Top Scale Score in Reading**
  - Samuel Bowers, Harrisburg Elementary
  - Sierrah Catoe, Buford Middle
  - Asael Gonzalez, Indian Land Middle
  - Chukwunoyenim Idehen, Harrisburg Elementary
  - Anthony Meade, South Middle
  - Leonna Wright, Lancaster High
- **2014-15 S.C. ACT Aspire Top Scale Score in Writing**
  - Kara Allman, A.R. Rucker Middle
  - Zaria Boozer, Indian Land Middle
  - Abigail Carson, Indian Land Middle
  - Kymiah Ivey, North Elementary
  - Jarrett Laney, Buford Middle
- **2015 S.C. STAR Seminar Participant**
  - Rosemarie Clawson, North Elementary

**Public forum-**

BCBI

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

Indian Land resident Pam Mulvaney addressed the board, saying she was speaking to address a number of rumors circulating about where students in Indian Land would go to school. She asked the board to hold a town hall to stop the rumors because they could negatively affect the bond referendum.

**Approval of consent action items-**

BCBD

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

- Minutes of Nov. 17 regular meeting (BCBH)
- FY 2014-15 external audit (DID)
- FY 2014-15 external procurement audit (DID)
- Early Head Start monthly financial report (DC)
- Head Start monthly financial report (DC)

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, stating that revenues and expenditures were in line with the budget and tax collections were coming in on schedule. Monthly investment reports had not been received but would be included in the January 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.

- Board/Superintendent Planning Meeting –TBA (BCAF)
- District Spelling Bee – Jan. 26 (IH)
- End-of-semester schedule (AEA)
- *Celebrate Great Teaching* Program (GAD)
- *Celebration of Excellence* – May 9 & 10 (GBQ, GCO, IH)
- Early Head Start/Head Start monthly federal progress summary (IDDH)
- Early Head Start/Head Start enrollment and attendance (IDDH)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

**Facilities update-  
LB**

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Small, who reported a pre-contract meeting would be held Thursday for Indian Land Middle renovations and construction fencing should be in place soon. Mr. Small stated he is very comfortable and confident in the contractor because he has done good work for the district in the past.

**Adjournment-  
BCBF**

With no other business before the board, the chair wished those present a safe and happy holiday and adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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

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Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

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Robert W. Parker, Chair