

Minutes

6 p.m., January 19, 2016, 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 (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), David Knight (Public Information Director), Steve McManus (Security Guard), Gene Moore (Superintendent), Jan Petersen (Procurement Director), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director) and Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer)

Guests-

None

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. 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/retirements/terminations, 2015-16 certified employment recommendations, 2015-16 non-certified employment recommendations, one personnel matter, 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/retirements/terminations of
 - **A.R. Rucker Middle**– Louise Rutledge, seventh-grade math teacher
 - **Andrew Jackson High**– Edith Hill, special education teacher; Debby O’Connell, biology teacher
 - **Andrew Jackson Middle**– Susan Hagins, sixth-grade ELA teacher
 - **Buford Elementary**– Janet Armstrong, fourth-grade teacher; Terry Cauthen, second-grade teacher; Stephanie Good, first-grade teacher; Debra Hickel, third-grade teacher; Carol Johnson, fifth-grade teacher; Phyllis Lakatos, related arts teacher; Jill Lewis, first-grade teacher
 - **Buford High**– Ruth McDonald, High School 101 teacher
 - **Buford Middle**– Barbara McKinney, sixth-grade ELA teacher
 - **Clinton Elementary**– Sherma Piegari, media specialist
 - **Erwin Elementary**– Elizabeth Bowers, cafeteria operator; Alison Doster, third-grade teacher
 - **Indian Land High**– Tramaine Carter, bus driver; Amanda Mancilla-Kimbrough, Spanish teacher; Douglas Young, math teacher
 - **Indian Land Middle**– Kay Sehorn, seventh-grade ELA teacher
 - **Kershaw Elementary**– Mable Ingram, cafeteria operator; Elizabeth Parker, 4K teacher
 - **Lancaster High**– Robert Hinson, ELA teacher; Joseph LaFrancis, chemistry teacher; Catherine Wallace, English teacher
 - **McDonald Green Elementary**– Mary Waldrop, kindergarten teacher
 - **North Elementary**– Anita McDow, TMH instructional assistantThe 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 2015-16 school year
 - **Brooklyn Springs Elementary**– Dawn Bleichner, special education; Emily Sapp, early childhood
 - **Buford High**– Frances Parker, special education
 - **Erwin Elementary**– Elisabeth Hodge, elementary
 - **Lancaster High**– Paul Singh Jr., music educationThe motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to accept the superintendent’s non-certified recommendation to employ for the 2015-16 school year
 - **Clinton Elementary**– Arlene Frohlic, cafeteria operator
 - **Harrisburg Elementary**– Cynthia Clement, cafeteria operator
 - **Southside Early Childhood Center**– Briana Parker, instructional assistantThe motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve Compass Municipal Advisors as an exempted vendor for the district's financial services related to bond issues. The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).
- In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve Theo Dubose of Haynesworth, Sinkler & Boyd as an exempted vendor for the district's bond counsel services. The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).
The chair reported that the board had completed its executive session business.

Legislative update-
LB

Dr. Moore referred the board to the appropriate handout and reviewed the activities during the first week of the House's 2016 session.

Trustees Awards-
KHA

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

- **2015 S.C. ACT Aspire Test Top Scale Score in English**
Aubrey Walden, Indian Land Elementary
- **2015 S.C. ACT Aspire Test Top Scale Score in Writing**
Lauren Maynard, Indian Land Middle
Avery Plyler, Buford Middle
- **2015-16 Southern Division American Choral Directors Association Honor Choir**
- **2016 S.C. All-State Choir**
 - Jordan Mungo, Andrew Jackson High
 - Will Robinson, Andrew Jackson High
- **2015-16 Southern Division American Choral Directors Association Honor Choir**
 - Kendijah Brown, Andrew Jackson High
 - Maddy Harper, Andrew Jackson High
 - Mykela Lesso, Andrew Jackson High
 - Breanna Mahaffey, Andrew Jackson High
 - Ty Walker, Andrew Jackson High
- **2016 S.C. All-State Choir**
 - Semaj Digby, Andrew Jackson High
 - Katie Harbin, Andrew Jackson High
 - Dylan Hinson, Andrew Jackson High
 - Trevor Hinson, Andrew Jackson High
 - Samantha Ihm, Andrew Jackson High
 - Gabby Plyler, Andrew Jackson High

Special recognition-
ID

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Dutton, who reported that the district now has 108 National Board Certified teachers.

Mr. Dutton, Dr. Moore and the board congratulated the three National Board Re-Certified teachers – Beverly Culp, Buford High; Jeannie Jamieson, Indian Land High; and Leigh Jordan, A.R. Rucker Middle.

Dr. Moore then recognized board members Janice Dabney and Don McCorkle for 10 years of service on the school board. They were presented certificates and pins from the South Carolina School Board Association. The district appreciates their dedication and support for our children.

Public forum-

BCBI

The chair outlined the procedures for addressing the board and invited any member of the audience to come forward. No one addressed the board.

Approval of consent action items-

BCBD

The chair called for approval of consent action items below.

- Minutes of Dec. 8 regular meeting and Dec. 15 called meeting (BCBH)
 - Early Head Start monthly financial report (DC, IDDH)
 - Head Start monthly financial report (DC, IDDH)
- 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.

- July-December 2015 Athletic Financial Activity Report (LEB/LEC)
- 2016-17 school year calendar development process (AEA)
- Spring testing dates (IH)
- Sole source, emergency procurement and trade-in procurement reports (DJE)
- Advanced Placement Scholars (ID)
- District Spelling Bee – Feb. 9 (IH)
- District science fair competition (IDF)
- *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)

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.

Facilities update-

LB

Dr. Moore reported that work had begun on the Indian Land Middle renovations and additions.

Introduction of Winthrop Interns-

MFB

Dr. Moore introduced the Winthrop University interns who are practice teaching in our district.

Adjournment-
BCBF

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

Robert W. Parker, Chair