

Minutes

6 p.m., May 17, 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-

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)

Guests-

Flip Hutfles, City of Lancaster administrator

Press-

Mandy Catoe, *The Lancaster News*

Citizens-

78 people attended

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-

BCBB

In accordance with the SC Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, CN 2, the Fort Mill Times, The Herald, the Kershaw News Era, The Lancaster News, WBTV, WRHM and WSOC were notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting.

Executive Session

Executive session-

BCBK, GBC/D, JDE, DJE, DO, ABCC

The chair announced the purpose for executive session was to receive resignations, retirements, superintendent's non-certified and certified employment recommendations, two contractual property matters and a legal matter.

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.

Executive session action-

BCBK

The chair reported results of executive session.

- In open session, a MOTION was made and seconded to accept the resignations/retirements/terminations of
 - **A.R. Rucker Middle** – Patricia Leonhardt, PMD nurse; Amy Reynolds, eighth-grade math teacher; Courtney Sanchez, 29-hour bi-lingual receptionist
 - **Adult Education** – Iris Hinckley, 29-hour tutor

- **Andrew Jackson High** – Carla Sciandra, dance teacher
- **Andrew Jackson Middle** – Linda Roberts, media specialist
- **Buford Elementary** – Joyce Stell, LD resource teacher
- **Clinton Elementary** – Mary Marquis-Darnell, psychologist; Tawney Palmieri, first-grade teacher
- **Discovery School** – Ar’Reshi Stinson, G/T teacher
- **Erwin Elementary** – Ashley Price, kindergarten teacher
- **Harrisburg Elementary** – Donna Gardner, speech teacher; Sarah Gould, third-grade teacher; Jennifer Knabenshue, instructional assistant; Janet McLaughlin, instructional assistant/computer lab; Debra Pizzello, 29-hour classroom helper
- **Indian Land Elementary** – Susan Nunn, kindergarten teacher; Jessica Segear, first-grade teacher
- **Indian Land Middle** – Meghan Pandya, physical education teacher
- **Kershaw Elementary** – Anita Roberts, special education teacher
- **Lancaster High** – Heather Padilla, math teacher

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 2016-17 school year:
 - **A.R. Rucker Middle** – Ryan Cave, physical education
 - **Andrew Jackson Middle** – Kayla Edwards, media specialist; Angela Hilton, middle-level science
 - **Buford Elementary** – Regina Davis, elementary; Mary Howie, elementary
 - **Buford High** – Kendall Horne, family and consumer science
 - **Clinton Elementary** – Jerry Ann Hales, speech
 - **Erwin Elementary** – Kendra Lynn, elementary
 - **Harrisburg Elementary** – Beverly Nobles, elementary
 - **Indian Land Elementary** – Laura Sisti, early childhood
 - **Indian Land Elementary/Harrisbug Elementary** – Rebekah Clements, speech
 - **Indian Land Middle** – Brandon Galbraith, social studies
 - **McDonald Green Elementary** – Anna Harvey, early childhood
 - **North Elementary** – Katherine Roberts, elementary; Mary Williamson, early childhood
 - **South Middle** – Nicole Davenport, art

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 2016-17 school year:
 - **A.R. Rucker Middle** – Latisha Alexander, PMD nurse
 - **Heath Springs Elementary** – Anna Taylor, 29-hour classroom helper

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 reported the legislature is working on the budget.

Trustees Awards-

KHA

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

- **2016 North South All-Star Girls Basketball Game Assistant Coach**
Ronnie Robinson, Lancaster High
- **2016 S.C. North South All-Star Girls Basketball Game Participants**
Keyotta Garriss, Lancaster High
Malia Rivers, Lancaster High
- **2016 S.C. Junior Scholar**
Darius De' Ante Miller, Andrew Jackson Middle
- **2016 S.C. Civinette Advisor of the Year**
Alessandra Gileta, Lancaster High
- **2016 S.C. Civinette Most Spirit Award**
- **2016 S.C. Civinette Joint Junior/Senior Project of the Year**
Lancaster High Civinette Chapter
- **2016 S.C. Civinette Talent Show First-Place Award**
Sierra Massey, Lancaster High
- **2016 Duke University TIP Program State Recognition Qualifiers**
Andrew Jackson Middle – Georgia Moore
Indian Land Middle – Zachary Blackwelder, Ana Chavez, Noelle Edmonds, Nolan Hook, Sarah Kelley, Hunter Koenig
Michael May, Hope Voshell
South Middle – Stephany Perez Sanchez
- **2016 Duke University TIP Program Grand Recognition Qualifier**
- **2016 Duke University TIP Program State Recognition Qualifier**
James Bender, Indian Land Middle

Special recognition of Vote Yes Committee members-

KHA

On behalf of the board, the chair recognized Vote Yes Committee members who were unable to attend the April meeting. He expressed the board's appreciation to the members for almost two months of hard work and tireless efforts organizing the campaign, raising funds for the bond campaign, speaking with thousands of voters, making phone calls, maintaining a facebook page, writing postcards, working the polls and urging voters to vote yes.

Public forum-

BCBI

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

No one came forward.

Approval of consent action items-

BCBD

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

- Minutes of April 19 regular meeting & May 3 called meeting (BCBH)
 - Early Head Start financial report (DJ)
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 - Continuation of the Early Head Start refunding grant application for 2016-17 (IDDH)
- A **MOTION** to approve the report was made and seconded.
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

Request from City of Lancaster to approve Barr Street's proposed National Register of Historical Places nomination-

LB

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Hutfles, who assured the board that placing Barr Street on the National Register of Historical Places would not restrict how the district could renovate or use the building. He then requested support for the nomination.

A **MOTION** to approve the request 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 stated revenues and expenditures were in line with the budget.
A **MOTION** to approve the report was made and seconded.
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

Recommendation to approve proposed 2016-17 student fees-
DFG

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Dutton, who reviewed the fees, stating they were the same as last year. Dr. Moore then recommended the board approve the fees.
A **MOTION** to approve the 2016-17 student fees was made and seconded.
The motion **PASSED** unanimously (7-0).

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

Dr. Moore referred board members to appropriate agenda pages and reviewed the forms and deadlines for nominations, resolutions and constitutional changes.
No action was taken.

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 2015 Discovery School audit report (DID)
- FY2015 Lancaster Educational Assistance Program audit report (DID)
- Bond Anticipation Note update (DID)
- 2016 Duke TIP qualifiers
- End-of-semester schedule (AEA)
- 2016 Graduation/baccalaureate information (IHF)
- Head Start monthly financial summary (IDDH)
- Early Head Start and Head Start monthly enrollment & attendance (IDDH)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

10-point grading scale-
IHA

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Dutton and Ms. Quinn, who reported that the 10-point grading scale was now required for all high and middle school credit-bearing courses and that our district would also use the scale for all grades. The scale will be used beginning next fall, with grades earned under the 7-point scale frozen.

Online registration process-
JB/JBA/D

Ms. Quinn reported that the online registration process should be in place by the fall. The new process will allow parents to fill in one form online to register a student. Ms. Quinn commended instructional specialist Jan Collins for her work on setting up the process.

Presentation of proposed FY 2016-17 general fund and debt service budgets-
DCC

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Walker, who referred board members to appropriate handout and reviewed the proposed budget.

2016-2017 Capital Improvement Plan-
FG

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Small, who reviewed the powerpoint outlining the plan.

Facilities update-
FE, FED

Mr. Small, who reported that a minor problem with the footing on the renovations at Indian Land Middle had been resolved and all rough-in plumbing and electrical were in place. He also reported that an aggressive schedule would be followed to get the cafeteria and computer lab completed on schedule.

Adjournment-
BCBF

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

Robert W. Parker, Chair