

Minutes

6 p.m., May 16, 2017, District Board Room

Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Meeting

In Attendance

Board members present-

Janice Dabney (Secretary), Tyrom Faulkner (Vice Chair), Margaret Gamble, Don McCorkle, Bobby Parker (Chair), Melvin Stroble 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), Lydia Quinn (Planning & Accountability Executive Director), David Small (Facilities Director) and Tony Walker (Chief Financial Officer)

Guests-

Kathy Mahoney, Halligan Mahoney & Williams

Press-

Hannah Strong, *The Lancaster News*

Citizens-

28 people attended

Open Session

Call to order and invocation-

BABA

At 6 p.m., the chair called the meeting to order. Ms. Gamble 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, WRHI 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, terminations, superintendent's non-certified and certified employment recommendations, one student matter, contractual services matters, legal advice regarding contractual matter, receipt of legal advice and superintendent search.

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** – Whitney Davis, seventh-grade social studies teacher; Barbara Moore, 29-hour classroom helper; Jerry Smalls, band teacher

- **Andrew Jackson High** – Lana Broughton, English teacher
- **Brooklyn Springs Elementary** – Gail Clyburn, instructional assistant
- **Buford Middle** – Teresa Bruce, cafeteria operator
- **Clinton Elementary** – Michele Vanasdale, fifth-grade teacher
- **Harrisburg Elementary** – Brandi Burnette, 29-hour classroom helper; Jason Byrne, physical education teacher; Shandra Hall, guidance counselor; Angela Kendall, physical education teacher
- **Indian Land Elementary** – Brooke Hicks, special education teacher; Lindsey Schepppegrell, second-grade teacher
- **Indian Land High** – Kevin Torres, Spanish teacher
- **Kershaw Elementary** – Ashleigh Erb, special education teacher; Marlon Pate, kindergarten teacher
- **Lancaster High** – Catherine Faile, bus driver; Teresa Fields, art teacher
- **North Elementary** – Amanda Helms, 29-hour classroom helper; Katherine Roberts, third-grade teacher
- **South Middle** – Adrienne Caldwell, sixth-grade math teacher; Tammy Shirley, eighth-grade science teacher; Pamela Sweer, band teacher; Erin Wall, literacy coach

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 2017-18 school year:

- **Buford Middle** – Marlee Boss, special education
- **Clinton Elementary** – Courtney Bishop, elementary; Diana Kirkley, elementary
- **Erwin Elementary** – Kristen Blakley, special education; Joy Hyslop, elementary
- **Harrisburg Elementary** – Hannah Chapman, elementary; Kathryn Cranford, elementary; Ashley Fox, elementary; Lauren Watts, special education; Jeri Wilfong, early childhood; Letisha Williams, early childhood
- **Heath Springs Elementary** – Caroline Poovey, elementary
- **Indian Land Elementary** – Jamie Halsey, early childhood
- **Indian Land High** – Kelsey Kott, English; Ana Lopez-Guisa, Spanish; Emily Stover, social studies
- **Kershaw Elementary** – Anna Croxton, early childhood; Amanda Gooch, early childhood
- **Lancaster High** – Salvadore Estrada, Spanish
- **McDonald Green Elementary** – Cory Ingram, physical education
- **North Elementary** – Anna Baker, special education; Kanisha Brace, early childhood
- **South Middle** – Alecia Franca, art; Stephen Widener, social studies

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:

- **Andrew Jackson Middle** – LaToya Neal, cafeteria manager
- **Indian Land Elementary** – Sheila Perry, 29-hour classroom helper

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

The chair reported that the board had not completed its executive session business and would return to executive session following the open session.

Legislative update-

LB

Dr. Moore referred the board to the appropriate handout and reported the legislature's work on the budget.

Trustees Awards-

KHA

- On behalf of the board, the chair presented Trustees Awards to
- **2016-2017 SCHS League's Division 2A/1A Wrestling State Champions (by weight)**
Dalton Haven, Andrew Jackson High
Hunter Haven, Andrew Jackson High
 - **2016-2017 Duke University TIP Program State Recognition Qualifiers**
Emma Neal, A.R. Rucker Middle
Nathan Faile, Buford Middle
Avery Plyler, Buford Middle
Olivia Vincent, Buford Middle
Carson Dodge, Indian Land Middle
Richmond Fang, Indian Land Middle
Danyal Khan, Indian Land Middle
Amelia Slater, Indian Land Middle
Garrin Waiksnis, Indian Land Middle

Public forum-

BCBI

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

Rev. Wayne Murray, Lancaster Chapter NAACP president, addressed the board, stating that the Lancaster Chapter of the NAACP believed that Dr. Carlotta Redish rose to the top of the finalists the board was considering for superintendent. He stated that her educational experience and her performance during her community visit led the chapter to recommend that the board choose Dr. Redish as the next superintendent for the district.

Approval of consent action items-

BCBD

- The chair called for approval of the consent action items below.
- Minutes of April 18 regular meeting, May 1 called meeting & May 11 called meeting (BCBH)
 - Early Head Start financial report (DJ)
 - Head Start financial report (DJ)
 - Continuation of the Early Head Start refunding grant application for 2017-18 (IDDH)
- A **MOTION** to approve the report 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 2017-18 student fees-

DFG

Dr. Moore recognized Mr. Walker, who reviewed the fees, reviewing the fees that would change. Dr. Moore then recommended the board approve the fees.

A **MOTION** to approve the 2017-18 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 2016 Discovery School audit report (DID)
- FY2016 Lancaster Educational Assistance Program audit report (DID)
- Bond Anticipation Note update (DID)
- 2017 Duke TIP qualifiers
- End-of-semester schedule (AEA)
- 2017 Graduation/baccalaureate information (IHF)
- Head Start monthly financial summary (IDDH)
- Early Head Start and Head Start monthly enrollment & attendance (IDDH)
- SCSBA information (MGB, BBBC)

**Presentation of proposed
FY 2017-18 general fund
and debt service budgets-**

DCC

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

2017-2018 Capital Improvement Plan-

FG

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

Facilities update-

FE, FED

Mr. Small, who recognized Ms. McCrorey. She showed a powerpoint detailing the renovations and new furniture at the Buford High and

Executive Session

Executive session-

BCBK, CED,CEE

At 8:12 p.m., the chair reported that the board needed to return to executive session to continue the superintendent search and to consider a contractual services matter.

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

Open Session

Executive session action-

BCBK

At 8:55 p.m., the chair reported results of executive session.

In open session, a **MOTION** was made and seconded to hire Jonathan Phipps as the new superintendent.

The motion **PASSED** 6-1 (**Yes** – Ms. Dabney, Ms. Gamble, Mr. McCorkle, Mr. Parker, Mr. Stroble and Mr. Sumner; **No** – Mr. Faulkner).

Executive Session

Executive session-

BCBK, CEE

At 9:02 p.m., the board reconvened in open session and the chair reported that the board needed to return to executive session to consider a contractual services matter.

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

Open Session

Executive session action-

BCBK

At 9:32 p.m., the board reconvened in open session and the chair reported no action was needed as a result of the executive session.

**Adjournment-
BCBF**

| With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 9:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Janice C. Dabney, Secretary

Robert W. Parker, Chair