

Minutes

11:15 a.m., January 28, 2022 Planning Meeting

Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees Planning Meeting

In attendance

Board members present-	Ken Buck (Secretary), Janice Dabney (Chair), Tyrom Faulkner, Margaret Gamble, Bobby Parker, Brad Small (Vice Chair), and Melvin Stroble
Board members absent-	None
District personnel-	Linda Blackwell (Elementary Director), Rachel Bradley (Superintendent's Assistant), Rick Chandler (Attorney), Michelle Craig (Public Information Specialist), John Duke (Facilities), Trevor Hammond (Procurement Director), Nicki Letterman (Public Information Assistant), Kevin Miller (Buford Middle Principal), Jonathan Phipps (Superintendent), Lydia Quinn (Chief Operations Officer), Mark Rhoden (Indian Land High Assistant Principal), Andrea Ribelin (Buford Elementary Principal), Bryan Vaughn (Safety & Transportation Director)
Guests-	Mary Beth Sims (LS3P), Allen Taylor (LS3P), Bria Wigfall (LS3P), Clint Riddle (LS3P), Dan Dodd (FitFields), Michael Miller (Numerix)
Press-	Mac Banks (The Lancaster News)
Citizens-	0

Open session

Call to order and invocation- BABA	At 11:15 a.m., the chair called the meeting to order. Mr. Faulkner gave the <u>INVOCATION</u> .
Notice to media- BCBB	In accordance with the SC Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, Cable 2, The Herald, the Kershaw News Era, The Lancaster News, WBTW, WRHM and WSOC were notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting.
Athletics Study- FE	Dr. Phipps recognized Ms. Sims, Mr. Taylor, Ms. Wigfall, and Mr. Dodd who presented an indoor athletic facility study for the district. The LS3P team spoke about the current conditions of the middle and high school facilities and what it would take to renovate each facility and make athletic facilities and opportunities equitable across the district. Mr. Dodd presented an updated presentation of the outdoor athletic facility study.
Enrollment Update- LB	Dr. Phipps recognized Mr. Miller who presented to the board the updated enrollment study findings and data. The enrollment study began in 2020 and is a multi-year study of the district's projected enrollment numbers at every school. Mr. Miller explained his findings and compared his projected data to each facility's capacity to determine an estimation of when each school would reach and exceed that capacity.

Impact Fees, Additions to Schools, Land purchase, Capital Improvement plan/5 year plan -

Dr. Phipps recognized Ms. White who updated the board on the continued pursuit of funding for land purchases for additional schools due to growth in the county as well as additions to existing schools where necessary as space allows. Ms. White explained to the board the costs and stated that after speaking to advisors of the district, it might be beneficial to enact a bond referendum to fund the needed improvements, additions, and new schools throughout the district.

Board Questions-

Due to time limitations, the board discussed and agreed to meet at another date regarding the majority of the board questions set forth in the planning agenda. Mr. Small presented his question regarding security searches and metal detectors at sports games. Mr. Small spoke about his concern that only Lancaster High School has metal detectors and searches at sports games and inquired to Mr. Vaughn about the reasoning for this. Mr. Vaughn explained that these security measures are not required but are at the discretion of each school administration. Mr. Vaughn also informed the board that some schools have difficulty getting enough help for sports games to be able to provide these security measures. Mr. Stroble suggested to the board that the regular monthly board meetings should be held once a quarter at Buford, Andrew Jackson, and Indian Land. Each board member gave their views on this suggestion and Ms. Dabney stated that this would be added to the February regular board meeting agenda to be voted on.

2022 School Board Recognition Month -

The Public Information Office gathered artwork from students, with assistance from the district's art teachers, throughout the schools to present to the board for School Board Recognition Month. The artwork was displayed during the meeting.

**Adjournment-
BCBF**

With no other business before the board, the chair adjourned the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Ken Buck, Secretary

Janice C. Dabney, Chair