

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

District Administrative Offices

September 10, 2019

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Board members present were:

Connie Banks
Seth Breitenbach
David Garner
Johnny Jackson (arrived 7:06pm)

Jason Seay
Connie Smith
Rachel Smith-Yelton

Lead administrators present were:

Lance Radford
Angela Hinton

Call to Order

Board Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed the public and media. Following the pledge of Allegiance, Ms. Smith-Yelton offered the invocation.

Media Notice Confirmation

Ms. Smith asked if the media had been notified of the meeting, and Mrs. Horton responded in the affirmative.

1a-j Consent Agenda

*Dr. Banks made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda (agenda for this meeting, August minutes, trip request, student releases, and personnel reports). The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 6-0. (vote was before Mr. Jackson arrived)

2 Construction Report

Projects Update

Lori Long (Jumper Carter Sease Architects) along with the Trevin Thompson (Thompson Turner Construction, and David McCutchen (McCutchen Engineering) opened with updates for the District's facility projects. BSH has approval and occupancy for entire building with the exception of the auditorium which will be complete early October.

Work is progressing on the BSH Freshman Academy. Final inspection will be done at the new Maintenance Facility next week. We are awaiting one final DHEC permit for the Transportation Facility site and workers plan to be on that site next week.

3-7 Instruction Report

Teachers Heike Wrenn and Rita Harris along with two students highlighted their recent trip to Germany as part of a German Exchange program.

Kim Ashby gave an overview of the Summer Reading Camp and Read to Succeed 3rd Grade Retention results. Mrs. Ashby also provided information regarding 4K enrollment numbers for the 19-20 school year. We currently have 340 4K students and are at capacity.

Jason Paddock shared an update on device distribution and technology services. Presently, our 4K-2nd grade share devices and our 3rd – 12th graders have individual devices.

Dr. Bernard Frost shared an overview of the Fall Staff Development Course Catalog.

8 Personnel Report

Mr. Brooks presented the following certified appointments for approval:

Daniel Habermann, Teacher SP ED	Boiling Springs Elem. (RP)
Quinessia Douglas, Guidance Counselor	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Abbey Folk, AVID Teacher	Boiling Springs Middle (NP, grant funded)
Taylor Threatt, Teacher PE	Carlisle-Foster's Grove Elem. (RP)
Travis Watson, AVID Teacher	Rainbow Lake Middle (NP, grant funded)
Pamela Parris, Teacher-SP ED	Rainbow Lake Middle (RP)

*Mr. Garner made the motion to approve the certified appointments which was duly seconded and carried 6-1.

9 Finance Report

Ms. Richardson provided the financial reports for the month of August 2019 and a revenue sheet as information. Also included was a referendum expenditure update.+

Ms. Richardson also shared that the auditors would begin field work on the final phase of the 18-19 audit the week of September 30.

10 Public Relations Report

Mr. Acosta shared information concerning the Open House/Ribbon Cutting for the new Boiling Springs High School. This will be on October 8 with the Board meeting for that date taking place at the school. Mr. Acosta shared various news stories promoting good, positive news happening in the District, including a record number of VIP passes and new Sports Previews for both high schools.

11-14 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Banks, Legislative Liaison, reported that the Education bill is under review, with hopes of bringing it to the Floor in January 2020.

Mr. Radford thanked the Board for their continuous support and reported that he felt the 2019-20 school year was the smoothest opening he has ever experienced. He thanked the Board, School Administrators and District staff for all their efforts.

Executive Session for Personnel matter

8:03 p.m. Executive Session

*Mr. Jackson made the motion, which was duly seconded, to move to Executive Session for discussion of a personnel matter. The motion carried 7-0.

8:39 p.m. Return to Open Session

*Mrs. Yelton made the motion, which was duly seconded, to return to Open Session. The motion carried unanimously.

*Mrs. Smith-Yelton made the motion that the administration proceed with filing a formal complaint with the State Department of Education as to Employee A for breach of contract in accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws Section 59-25-530. This motion was duly seconded.

*Mr. Seay made a motion to amend Ms. Smith-Yelton's motion to allow time to review the Code of Laws section concerning the matter. This motion was duly seconded. The vote was 2-5 and did not carry.

*Mrs. Smith-Yelton restated the original motion, to proceed with filing the formal complaint as to Employee A for breach of contract according to SC Code of Law. This was duly seconded and carried by a 5-2 vote.

Mr. Radford invited board members to complete the Board Effectiveness Feedback Form.

*Dr. Banks made the motion to adjourn which was duly seconded and carried 7-0.

8:52 p.m. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

David Garner, Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, August minutes, trip request, student releases and personnel reports)
- Certified Appointments
- Proceed with formal complaint to SCDE for Employee A Breach of Contract