

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

District Administrative Offices

November 12, 2019

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Board members present were:

Connie Banks
Seth Breitenbach
Angie Horton
Johnny Jackson
Jason Seay

Sarah Simmons
Craig Sims
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 6:57 p.m. and welcomed the public and media. Ms. Smith recognized from the audience Joel Pack, D1 Board member, and Brandon McKillop, Board member elect. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Dr. Sarah Simmons offered words of wisdom and the invocation.

Media Notice Confirmation

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

Who's Who in

- Board Member Recognition – Angie Horton – 12 years of service
- Distinguished Elementary Reading Teacher Carly Hansman - CFG
- Distinguished Secondary Reading Teacher Debra Cabiness - CMS

1a-g Consent Agenda

*Mr. Seay made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda (agenda for this meeting, October minutes, trip requests, and personnel reports). The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 9-0.

Note: the BSE field trip was withdrawn before the vote.

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 complete occupancy and the signage is coming soon. BSH Freshman Academy renovations are progressing. Color schemes will mirror the BSH facility.

**Action*

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Full occupancy was granted and punch list items are being completed at the new Maintenance facility. Trees are cleared, ground broken, and retention ponds built for the Transportation Facility site and a groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for December 3, 2019, at 5:00p.m.

3-5 Instruction Report

Greg Pack, BSH teacher, shared his experience taking a Project-Based Learning course in Germany last summer.

Dr. Hinton and Mr. Radford presented the 2019 -20 District Goals. These goals were created with input from district and school leadership.

Dr. Hinton invited the Board to the Instruction Department's annual District Data Workshop on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

6-7 Finance Report

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

Ms. Richardson gave an update regarding the legislative changes to the State Procurement Code. The State is still in the process of implementing the new State code and a model policy for school districts will be drafted in the Spring of 2020.

8-10 Public Relations Report

Mr. Acosta reported that all schools have undergone a website refresh, which updates their sites for what the public sees when searching our schools. Mr. Acosta reminded the Board of the upcoming Maintenance Facility Open House and Audit Review on Monday, November 25, at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Acosta shared various news stories promoting good, positive news happening in the District, including our latest Difference Maker.

11-18 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Banks, Legislative Liaison, reminded the Board to stay informed as Legislators work through the Education Reform Bill and to be ready to contact them with concerns. Dr. Banks gave each Board member a copy of the Education Funding Model and the latest SCSBA Legislative Preview Webinar for review.

As per Policy BD, the Board will elect officers in November with duties to begin at the January meeting for the positions of vice-chair and secretary (each being a one-year term). The Board unanimously re-elected Rachel Smith-Yelton to the position of vice-chair, and David Garner to serve as Board secretary.

Dr. Banks asked to be relieved of her duties as Legislative Liaison and made nominated Jason Seay for the position. Mr. Seay was approved by general consent.

Ms. Smith asked the Board to assign delegates from the Board to represent the District during the Legislative Conference Delegate Assembly in December. The board appointed Seth Breitenbach and Jason Seay as delegates and Connie Banks as alternate.

Mr. Radford thanked the Board and Administrators for their continuous support. He stated that administration will be requesting an architect RFQ for upcoming projects in the District. These projects include Rainbow Lake Middle classroom wing addition, Boiling Springs Intermediate renovation for K-5, and Chesnee High School athletic updates.

Mr. Radford reported that the District has received approval to combine the SIDN (formerly BEDS code) for Boiling Springs 9th Grade Campus with Boiling Springs High for the 2020-2021 school year.

Mr. Radford also gave an update on state funding for four additional SRO's for the District. We have selected and submitted names and are awaiting hiring procedures by the County.

Mr. Radford reminded the Board of the December 3 Groundbreaking Ceremony for the new Transportation Facility on the grounds at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Radford presented for approval the administration's recommendation for six additional teacher positions due to District growth for the 2020-2021 school year. *Dr. Simmons made the motion, which was duly seconded, to approve six teacher growth positions for the 2020-2021 school year. This motion carried 9-0.

Executive Session to discuss the Superintendent's annual evaluation and contract

8:25 p.m. Executive Session

*Dr. Banks made the motion, which was duly seconded, to move to Executive Session for discussion of the Superintendent's annual evaluation. *Mr. Seay made the motion to amend the first motion to include contractual issues. This motion was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

9:57 p.m. Return to Open Session

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

*Dr. Simmons read the motion to conclude as a Board that Mr. Radford receive an outstanding evaluation for the 2018-19 school year and that as a result of this evaluation, Mr. Radford's employment contract with the District be extended by one year, through June 30, 2022. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Chair Smith administered the Oath of Office for the re-elected Board members: Seth Breitenbach, Johnny Jackson, Dr. Sarah Simmons, and Rachel Smith-Yelton, per SCSBA legal advice, as they will be attending a SCSBA Conference in December before the official swearing-in at the January Board meeting.

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

*Dr. Simmons made the motion to adjourn which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

Adjournment - 10:01p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, October minutes, trip requests, and personnel reports)
- Teacher growth positions
- Superintendent's Contract