

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

May 12, 2020

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Board members present were:

Connie Banks
Seth Breitenbach
David Garner
Johnny Jackson
Brandon McKillop

Jason Seay
Craig Sims
Sarah Simmons
Connie Smith
Rachel Smith-Yelton

Lead administrators present were:

Lance Radford
Angela Hinton

Recognition of District Retirees – District personnel and Board Members celebrated the Retirees with a drive-thru celebration with each given an etched crystal vase and treats as they drove through the District parking lot to be recognized.

Call to Order

Board Chair Connie Smith called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m. and welcomed the public and media. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Dr. Sarah Simmons 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-f Consent Agenda

*Mr. Jackson made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda (agenda for this meeting, April minutes, and personnel reports). The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 10-0. * Mr. Seay recused himself from the vote only for his family member named in section D, Certified Resignations.

2 Projects Update

Lori Long (Jumper Carter Sease Architects) and Trevin Thompson (Thompson Turner Construction) opened with updates for the District's current facility projects. BSH Freshman Academy is progressing on schedule. They were able to recapture many items from the current BS9 to use, including the kitchen equipment, science labs, and doors. Final inspection is set for June 4. A tour for Board members and principals is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19. At the Transportation Facility, striping of the concrete will start this week, and paving of the parking lots and the mechanical and electrical inspections will be next week. Projected final inspection is for the end of June.

3-15 Instruction Report

Dr. Hinton shared an update on the District's Distance Remote Learning, including the use of 4 buses equipped with Wi-Fi to help students, the offering of "must do and may do" assignments, and

Professional Development classes to help teachers become more proficient with ZOOM and other online teaching applications.

Dr. Hinton shared copies of the Annual School Summary Reports showing achievements for the previous year and goals and activities for the current year.

Dr. Hinton shared the dates and location of the upcoming graduation ceremonies for Scholars Academy and Spartanburg County Early College High School. Melissa DeLoach, Director of Scholars Academy, and Dr. Claretta Kerns, Dean of SCECHS, each provided an update on the programs and students from each program spoke on their experiences in the programs via recorded video.

Dr. Hinton reported that if we are able to have the Summer Learning Academy and Summer Reading Camp in a face-to-face setting, it will be held later in July at Carlisle-Foster's Grove Elementary with a smaller number of students. If we cannot have face-to-face summer programs, the SC Department of Education has shared that they are working on a virtual platform that can be used. Our middle and high schools are moving forward with offering virtual summer school courses in June.

Dr. Bernard Frost presented an update on the application and selection process for D2LEADS: Leadership Exploration and Development Academy, which will begin in Fall 2020.

Dr. Hinton shared we have 25 more teachers working on the Masters in Applied Learning and Instruction thru USC Upstate. These teachers are working on their second Masters' Degree. We currently have 50 teachers who have completed year one of their work toward a first Masters' Degree; thus next year, we will have 75 teachers working on their Masters' Degree through USC Upstate.

Dr. Hinton shared information about our TLT Teacher Learning Academy's 3rd Cohort for 2020-21. Educators who participate will receive up to 60 hours of renewal credits upon completion of professional development in this group. There is also an opportunity for educators to attend several virtual conferences in June.

Dr. Frost presented information about professional development and course opportunities for educators this summer.

Dr. Hinton and Dr. Frost discussed our district's work with SCDE in creating a more flexible pathway for better preparedness for Algebra I.

Dr. Hinton requested approval for the LBA High School Literacy Course that would replace the former Read 180 course at Boiling Springs High Freshman Academy for Fall 2020. The elective class is for students who want to improve and increase their reading ability.

*Dr. Banks made the motion to approve the High School Literacy Course which was duly seconded and approved 10-0.

Dr. Hinton requested approval for the Local Board Approved courses for the 2020-21 school year. These courses need approval on an annual basis.

*Mr. Garner made the motion to approve the LBA courses, which was duly seconded and approved 10-0.

16-17 Personnel Report

Mr. Brooks presented for approval the Administrative appointment of Ashley Roberts as Assistant Principal of Boiling Springs Intermediate beginning in the 2020-21 school year.

*Mr. Seay made the motion to approve the appointment of Ms. Roberts. The motion was seconded and carried 10-0.

Mr. Brooks presented the following certified appointments for approval:

Jacie Pittman, Teacher-5th Grade	Boiling Springs Inter. (RP) 2020-21
Shelia Thomas, Math Interventionist	Boiling Springs Inter. (RP) 2020-21
Chelsea Chan, Teacher, ELA	Boiling Springs High (RP) 2020-21
Sheryl Sharp, Teacher, Business/CATE	Boiling Springs High (RP) 2020-21
Heather Crapps, Teacher, SpEd	Boiling Springs High (RP) 2020-21
Angelia Stewart, Teacher, Math	Boiling Springs High (RP) 2020-21
Adrian Price, Teacher, Math	BSH Freshman Academy (RP) 2020-21
Amanda Cash, Teacher, ELA	Boiling Springs Middle (RP) 2020-21
Jared Davis, Teacher, ELA	Boiling Springs Middle (RP) 2020-21
Judith Helton, Teacher, Science	Boiling Springs Middle (RP) 2020-21
Kristen Hendrich, Teacher, SpEd	Boiling Springs Middle (RP) 2020-21
Becky Rogers, Teacher, ELA	Boiling Springs Middle (RP) 2020-21
Patrick Kilpatrick, Teacher, ELA	Chesnee Middle (RP) 2020-21
Courtney Cox, Teacher, SpEd	Shoally Creek Elem. (RP) 2020-21
Jocelyn Pryor, Speech Therapist	Shoally Creek Elem. (RP) 2020-21
Ashlyn Thomas, Teacher, SpEd	Shoally Creek Elem. (RP) 2020-21
Julia Tubb, Teacher, 2nd Grade	Shoally Creek Elem. (RP) 2020-21
Caitlin Michalove, Teacher, SpEd	Shoally Creek Elem. (RP) 2020-21
Amanda Edgerton, Psychologist	District Office (RP) 2020-21

*Dr. Simmons made the motion to approve the certified appointments, which was duly seconded and carried 10-0.

18-23 Finance Report

Ms. Richardson provided the financial reports for the month of April 2020 and a revenue sheet as information. Also included was a referendum expenditure update.+

Ms. Richardson gave the Board an update for FY2020-21 and stated that the House and Senate passed a Continuing Resolution for the State Budget. She shared a *DRAFT* budget copy that, barring any changes from the State, will be the budget presented at the June meeting for approval. Ms. Richardson stated that the draft budget includes a step increase **but**, we are not allowed to give the step unless/until the state allows us to do so. Therefore, no one will receive a step increase in their first check for the FY2020-21 year.

Ms. Richardson gave an update on Superintendent's Goal Two concerning Classified Salary Schedules.

Ms. Richardson presented for approval the firm of Jumper Carter Sease Architects for architectural design of improvements outlined in our 5 Year Capital Plan, including, but not limited to, the addition at Rainbow Lake Middle, renovations to Boiling Springs Intermediate and athletic upgrades to Chesnee High School.

*Ms. Smith-Yelton made the motion to approve Jumper Carter Sease as architects for the District. The motion was seconded and passed 10-0.

Ms. Richardson presented for approval the selection of Thompson Turner Construction as General Contractor to perform the construction work on the projects outlined in the District's Five Year Capital Plan.

Ms. Smith restated the recommendation and asked for a motion. Hearing none, no action was taken.

Ms. Richardson presented the Food Service RFP, which is required every five years for contracted food service management. This RFP is a collaboration between Spartanburg Districts 1, 2, 3, 5, and 7.

The committee, made up of personnel across the five districts, and directed by the SC Dept. of Education, met and recommend Chartwells to serve as the Districts' food service management company.

*Mr. Breitenbach made the motion to approve the selection of Chartwells as the food service management company. The motion was duly seconded and passed 10-0.

After more discussion, the request to revisit Item 22, Contractor RFP, was made and allowed.

*Mr. Jackson made the motion to approve the selection of Thompson Turner Construction to perform the construction work on the projects outlined in the District's Five Year Capital Plan. The motion was duly seconded, and received four (4) affirmative votes. *No call was made for nay votes or abstentions.*

24 Public Relations Report

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

25-27 Superintendent's Report

Mr. Seay, Legislative Liaison, shared that the House and Senate passed a Continuing Resolution for the State Budget. The General Assembly will reconvene on September 15, 2020.

Executive Session for Contractual Matter

9:59 p.m. Executive Session

*Mr. Sims made the motion, which was duly seconded, to move to Executive Session for discussion of a contractual matter. The motion carried 10-0.

10:50 p.m. Return to Open Session

*Mr. Sims made the motion, which was duly seconded, to return to Open Session. The motion carried unanimously, 10-0.

*Mr. McKillop made the motion to permit Mr. Sims and Mr. Radford to re-draw the lines and renegotiate the terms of the contract presented for land sale. The motion was seconded and carried with a 10-0 vote.

Mr. Radford thanked the Board and Administrators for their continued support, and invited them to complete the Board Feedback form.

*Dr. Banks made a motion to adjourn, which was duly seconded and carried 10-0.

Adjournment – 10:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Garner, Board Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, April minutes, and personnel reports)
- LBA (Local Board Approved) Course: High School Literacy
- LBA Courses Annual Approval for 2020-21
- Administrative appointment
- Certified appointments
- Architect RFQ
- Food Service RFP
- Renegotiation of Contract terms

