

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

August 11, 2020

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Board members present were:

Connie Banks
Seth Breitenbach
David Garner
Johnny Jackson
Brandon McKillop

Jason Seay
Sarah Simmons
Connie Smith
Rachel Smith-Yelton

Lead administrators present were:

Lance Radford
Angela Hinton

Call to Order

Board Chair Connie Smith called the meeting to order at 6:57p.m. and welcomed the public and media. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Dr. Sarah Simmons offered the invocation and inspirational reading.

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. Seay made the motion to amend the June minutes to include the restating of the recommendation for the motion he made for the Contractor RFP item. This motion was seconded and the vote was 6-0-3 (abstained).

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

2 Projects Update

Lori Long (Jumper Carter Sease Architects), Trevin Thompson (Thompson Turner Construction), and David McCutchen (McCutchen Engineering) opened with updates and slides of the District's current facility projects. The one-year walk through has been completed at Boiling Springs High. BSH Freshman Academy has received Occupancy approval from OSF. The Transportation Facility has received verbal occupancy approval and has a couple of punch list items remaining. Lori Long presented preliminary renditions of the designs for the updates to Boiling Springs Intermediate and Rainbow Lake Middle. Thompson Turner plans to have construction numbers on both projects by the next Board meeting and the GMP by November. With Board approval, the projected completion would be the Fall of 2021 for both projects.

3-9 Instruction Report

Summer Learning Academy and Summer Reading Camp Directors Ashley Roberts (AP – BSI) and Laura Szynalski (AP – SCE) shared highlights from the summer programs held at Carlisle-Foster's

Grove Elementary for over 125 rising 1st – 4th graders.

Deana Watson (Dir. Of Elem & Middle Schools) discussed the District’s Learning, Evaluating, Analyzing, and Preparing (LEAP) days, which occurred August 3 – 7. 1380 Students in grades K-8 were able to attend, be pre-assessed and transition to the school’s learning environment for the upcoming year. Lunch was provided and transportation if needed.

Dr. Hinton shared an update on the District’s Return 2 Learn (R2L) plans, including refining to ensure safety for staff and students while providing high-quality curriculum and instruction. Dr. Hinton reviewed the R2L Principal Index and Mrs. Watson reviewed the DRL Handbook for teachers and administrators.

Dr. Hinton provided an update on the Spartanburg Two Virtual Academy which will allow students to stay at home and receive classes virtually off-campus with the support of a certified teacher. The District will be using curriculum courseware from Edmentum and/or Apex and a device (iPad or Chromebook) will be provided, if needed.

Dr. Bernard Frost gave insight on the Flexible Learning Plans that District educators have collaborated on and written over the summer. These plans correspond to the first unit of study for all core content areas K-12. These Flexible Learning Plans allow students to engage in daily, standards-based, rigorous lessons no matter the learning format (face-to-face, Distance-Remote Learning, or hybrid).

Dr. Hinton presented the District Vision, Instruction Vision, Instructional Model and Instruction Focus for 2020-21, and stated that teachers will continue to support each other through the collaborative, reflective TLT process.

Dr. Hinton shared a listing of Summer Learning opportunities that teachers and administrators participated in throughout the summer.

10 Personnel Report

Mr. Brooks presented the following certified appointments for approval:

Barnes, Tiffany--Teacher-ELA	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Coate, Stephen--Teacher-Math	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Hyatt, Rachel--Teacher-SpEd	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Quinley, Morgan--Teacher-Science	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Russ, Terrijane--Teacher-ELA	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Stroupe, Gary--Teacher-Band	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Moon, Mary Ann--Teacher, SpEd	BSH Freshman Academy (RP)
McElrath, Brooke--Teacher-5K	Boiling Springs Elementary (RP)
Woodard, Katherine--Teacher-Math	Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Coartney, Kristen--Teacher-SpEd	Chesnee Elementary (RP)
Gaffney, Caroline--Teacher-4 th Grade	Oakland Elementary (RP)
Gilbert, Miranda--Teacher-Guidance Counselor	Oakland Elementary (RP)
Marinakos, Eva--Testing Coordinator	District Office (RP+)
Wilkins, Emily--SpEd Instructional Coach	District Office (RP)

*Mr. McKillop made the motion to approve the certified appointments, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

11-13 Finance Report

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

Ms. Richardson presented the District's Minority Vendor, Emergency and Sole Source Reports as required annually by the District's Procurement Code.

Ms. Richardson gave a brief update on the 2020-21 Budget stating that the State Budget and Control Board's Board of Economic Advisors (BEA) met in late July and are responsible for preparing and reviewing economic forecasts and revenue projections. The BEA is projecting a \$220 million surplus but with EIA funds slightly down. The BEA is scheduled to meet again on August 24 and 31. Legislators will meet in September to begin the Budget process.

14 Public Relations Report

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

15-18 Superintendent's Report

Mr. Seay, Legislative Liaison, shared that there was no news out of Columbia, as the General Assembly will reconvene on September 15, 2020.

Mr. Radford thanked the Board and Administrators for their continued support, trust, and flexibility as we navigate the start of this new school year.

Ms. Smith invited the Board to complete the Board Feedback form.

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

Adjournment – 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Garner, Board Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, June minutes (amended), and personnel reports)
- Certified appointments