# **SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2**

# **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

# **District Two Administrative Offices**

March 14, 2023 7:00 P.M.

# **MINUTES**

Groundbreaking ceremony was held at District office for CFG and HES additions at 5:30 p.m.

# Board members present were:

Connie Banks Seth Breitenbach David Garner Brandon McKillop Matthew Schubeck Jason Seay Sarah Simmons Connie Smith Rachel Smith -Yelton

# Lead administrators present were:

Lance Radford Angela Hinton

#### Call to Order

Board Chair Jason Seay called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Dr. Banks offered words of inspiration and the invocation.

# Media Notice Confirmation

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

#### Who's Who in Two

- State Patriot's Pen Essay Winner Haley Justice, RLM
- Wrestling Individual State Champions Garrett Williams and Thad Gerstenacker, CHS

#### **Public Comments**

No public comments were offered.

#### 1a-i Consent Agenda

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

#### 2 Projects Update

Lori Long (Jumper Carter Sease Architects) and David McCutchen (McCutchen Engineering) gave an update on the current projects of the District, including additions to CES and OES, HES, CFG and CHS Softball renovations.

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# 3-5 Instruction Report

Dr. Hinton presented an update on the District's 5-Year Accreditation with Cognia. Our district presentation and interview was March 1 and we expect to receive a final report in June.

Ms. Metta gave an update on the newly identified ATSI schools for Students with Disabilities and other subgroups.

Jason Paddock provided information on the plan for next year's iPad device refresh.

# 6-10 Personnel Report

Mr. Brooks presented the following certified appointments for approval:

Adams, Vernon -- Teacher-CATE Boiling Springs High (RP) Abernathy, Allyson -- Teacher-ELA Boiling Springs High (RP) Bridges, Crystal -- School Counselor Boiling Springs High (RP) McEwen, Mitchell -- Teacher-Science Boiling Springs High (RP) Boiling Springs High (RP) Loflin, Allison -- Teacher-ELA Proctor, Hayley -- Teacher-Art Boiling Springs High (NP) Black, Madelyne -- Teacher-Early Childhood Boiling Springs Elementary (NP) Jolley, Danielle -- Teacher-ELA Boiling Springs Middle (RP) Wilson, Michael -- Teacher-ELA Boiling Springs Middle (NP) Pearson, Mollie -- Teacher-ELA Boiling Springs Middle (RP) Brannon, Hayley -- Teacher-Elementary Carlisle-Foster's Grove (NP) Cordell, Sara -- Teacher-3rd Grade Carlisle-Foster's Grove (RP) Miller, Samantha -- Teacher-Elementary Carlisle-Foster's Grove (NP) Ridings, Monica -- Teacher-Elementary Carlisle-Foster's Grove (NP) Reason, Jessica -- Teacher-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Carlisle-Foster's Grove (RP) Rodrigues, Samantha -- Teacher-1st Grade Carlisle-Foster's Grove (RP) Sawyer, Lori -- School Librarian Carlisle-Foster's Grove (RP) Boyd, Charlotte -- Teacher-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Chesnee Elementary (RP) Kelly, Angel -- Teacher-Music Chesnee Elementary (RP) Robertson, Kelsie -- Teacher-Early Childhood Cooley Springs-Fingerville (NP) Feil, Katie – Teacher -- Elementary Hendrix Elementary (NP) Bowan, Kayla – Teacher -- Early Childhood Hendrix Elementary (NP) Bush, Tori – Teacher -- Sp Ed Hendrix Elementary (RP) Sturgill, Breanna -- Teacher-Early Childhood Mayo Elementary (NP) Mcguinn, Anna -- Teacher-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Mayo Elementary (RP) Nelms, Caroline -- Teacher-Music Mayo Elementary (RP) Bruce, Avery -- Teacher-Elementary Oakland Elementary (NP) Robinson, Lindsay -- School Counselor Oakland Elementary (RP) Brand, Patricia -- Teacher-Math Rainbow Lake Middle (NP) Beck, Michael -- Teacher-ELA Rainbow Lake Middle (RP) Alexander, Natrisha -- Teacher-Elementary Shoally Creek Elementary (NP) Hunter, Catherine -- Teacher-Elementary Sugar Ridge Elementary (NP) Houghton, Lindsey -- Teacher-Early Childhood Sugar Ridge Elementary (NP) May, Kayla -- Teacher-Early Childhood Sugar Ridge Elementary (NP) Metoyer, Macy -- Teacher-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Sugar Ridge Elementary (NP) Nelson, Rhonda -- Teacher-Early Childhood Sugar Ridge Elementary (NP) Stokes, Ashley -- Teacher-Early Childhood Sugar Ridge Elementary (NP)

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<sup>\*</sup>Dr. Banks made the motion to approve the certified appointments as presented, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

Mr. Brooks presented the following administrative appointments for approval:

Rhode, Johnny – Principal Shoally Creek Elementary
Miller, Joshua -- Assistant Principal Sugar Ridge Elementary

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

Mr. Brooks presented the list of Administrative Recommendations for 2023-24 for school and district-level administrative positions for approval.

\* Dr. Simmons made the motion to approve the Administrative Recommendations, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

Mr. Brooks presented for approval a list of Certified Staff Contract Recommendations for the 2023-2024 school year.

\*Ms. Smith made the motion to approve the Certified Staff Contract Recommendations, which was duly seconded. The vote carried 9-0.

Mr. Brooks presented for first reading new policy – Unencumbered Time. This is in accordance with SC Code Section 59-5-63.

\*Mr. McKillop made the motion to approve New Policy – Unencumbered Time as first reading, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

# 11-13 Finance Report

The Board was provided the financial report for both General Fund revenues and expenditures thru the month of February 2023, and current construction project budget updates.+

Mrs. Gist reminded the Board of the upcoming Budget Work session on Tuesday, March 28, at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Pettit presented the information on the Auditing Services RFP for the District's auditing firm. It is the Administration's recommendation that Halliday, Schwartz, & Co. be awarded the Auditing Services solicitation.

\*Mr. Schubeck made the motion to award Halliday, Schwartz, & Co. the Auditing Services solicitation which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

# 14 Public Relations Report

Mr. Acosta shared good news happening in the District, including celebrating our 52 Junior Scholars, Sharing the Good News, Yard of the Month, and Difference Makers around the District.

#### 15-18 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Simmons had nothing new to report out of Columbia.

Mr. Radford thanked the Board and Administrators for their continued support and trust. He reminded the Board of the upcoming Budget work session, and expects an update on the Energy Performance Contract in April. He reminded the Board to complete the 2023 Statement of Economic Interests by March 30, 2023.

Executive session for Contractual and Personnel matters.

#### 8:28 p.m. Executive Session

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\*Mr. McKillop made the motion, which was duly seconded, to move to Executive Session for contractual, personnel, and legal matters. The motion was seconded and carried 9-0.

### 9:04 p.m. Return to Open Session

\*Dr. Banks made the motion to return to Open Session, which was duly seconded and approved 9-0.

Further Action taken after Executive session:

1) Mr. McKillop made the motion to recommend Teacher A be referred to the State Department of Education for Breach of Contract for 2022-2023 in accordance with the SC Code of Laws Section 29-25-530. This motion was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

Mr. Seay reminded the Board to complete their Board Feedback Form.

\*Mr. McKillop made a motion to adjourn, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

Adjournment - 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Seth Breitenbach, Board Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

# Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, February minutes, trip requests, and personnel reports)
- Certified Appointments
- Administrative Appointments
- Administrative Recommendations 2023-24
- Certified Staff Contract Recommendations 2023-24
- New Policy Unencumbered Time, first reading

# Further Action Taken after Executive Session:

 Proceed with formal complaint to SCDE for Teacher A for breach of contract in accordance with the SC Code of Laws.