

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

District Administrative Offices

May 12, 2015

7:00 P.M.

Minutes

Board members present were:

Harriette Hipp
Angie Horton
Jack Mabry
Gordon Ray
David Sereque

Sarah Simmons
Craig Sims
Rusty Tucker
Joyce Wright

Lead Administrators present were:

Scott J. Mercer
Angela Hinton
Kelly Richardson

Call to Order

Chair Mabry called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed the public and media. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Simmons offered an inspirational poem, "I Am a Teacher" and the invocation.

Media Notification

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

Who's Who in

The following individuals/groups were recognized:

- Retirees
- Scholars Academy Graduates

1a-i Consent Agenda

* Mrs. Wright made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Agenda for this meeting, April minutes, student releases, trip requests, and Personnel Report). The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

2-13 Instruction Report

Dr. Hinton announced that the Scholars Academy Graduation Ceremony will be held Tuesday, May 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Campus Life Center at USC Upstate. She then reported that the Annual School Summary Reports for each school were distributed to parents and provided copies for Board members in their documents.

Melissa DeLoach, Director of the Spartanburg County Scholars Academy, gave an update on 2015

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District 2 graduates and prospective students invited to Cohort 9 for the 2015-16 school year.

Dr. Claretta Kerns, Dean of the Spartanburg County Early College High School, provided an update with video on the first year program and its students' accomplishments.

Keri Belue, an English teacher at Rainbow Lake Middle, shared how she uses QR codes to more effectively manage her classroom and share student work.

Jason Paddock gave an update on the district's personalized digital learning initiative and its progression.

Dr. Hinton provided information on the District Technology in Two Summer Conference on June 5, 2015, at Boiling Springs Middle School and the District Poverty Institute to be held July 17, 2015, at First Baptist North Spartanburg.

Dr. Hinton presented the Released Time Program application for approval consideration. *Mrs. Hipp made the motion, which was duly seconded, to approve the 2015-16 Released Time Program application. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hinton requested approval for textbook choices for 2-5 Handwriting, 6-7 Social Studies, and High School Economics. * Mrs. Wright made the motion to approve the textbook selections. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Dr. Hinton recommended for approval the SC Dept. of Education required District Strategic Plan update. * Mr. Sereque made the motion, which was duly seconded, to approve the District Strategic Plan Update. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hinton requested approval for Local Board Approved (LBA) Courses for the 2015-16 school year. These courses need approval on an annual basis. *Mrs. Wright made the motion, which was duly seconded, to approve all LBA courses for 2015-16. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hinton recommended for approval a calendar adjustment to forgive two days of weather related school dismissals for students after the district has used all make-up days designated on the calendar. We will use June 1 as a make-up day and ask the Board to grant a waiver of two days of student attendance, June 2-3. * Mr. Sims made the motion to grant forgiveness of two weather-related absences, which was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

14 Construction Projects Report

Don Icenhower, along with Lori Long and Todd Sease from Jumper, Carter, Sease Architects gave an update and video fly-by overview of the architect's rendering of the new Shoally Creek Elementary. They hope to have an updated construction timeline by June 9 meeting.

Mr. Icenhower also presented information on remodeling the district office's computer lab into computer technician offices and a workspace and adding a large modular to be used as the computer lab and for storage.

15-16 Personnel Report

Mr. Enloe presented the following certified appointments for approval:

James Murphy, Math/Science Teacher
Morgan White, 5th gr ELA/SS Teacher
Misty Hill, SP ED Teacher
Bobby Curtis, SP ED Teacher
Jacqueline Taylor Finger, 4k Teacher
Victoria Fowler, 2nd gr. Teacher

Boiling Springs Inter. (RP)
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Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Carlisle-Foster's Grove (RP)
Chesnee Elementary (RP)

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Joseph Babcock, School Psychologist
Kelly Ergle, School Psychologist
Jamie Allen, Math Teacher
Ashley Cooper, SP ED Teacher

District Office (RP)
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Rainbow Lake Middle (RP)
Oakland Elementary (RP)

*Mr. Sereque made the motion to approve the certified appointments as presented. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Enloe presented for approval the recommendation of Rob Hayes as Principal of Chesnee Middle School. * Mrs. Hipp made the motion to approve the appointment, which was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

17-18 Finance Report

Ms. Richardson provided financial reports for April 2015 and a revenue sheet as information.

Ms. Richardson presented the 2015-16 General Fund & Debt Service Budgets for first reading. She also discussed whether there will be a need for the May 26 budget work session as there have been no changes from legislature that would warrant an extra meeting. *Mrs. Wright made the motion to approve the General Fund and Debt Service Budgets for first reading, which was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

19-23 Public Relations Report

Mrs. Henderson reported that in recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week and School Nurse Day, Dr. Mercer delivered doughnuts for all employees. She also made available a copy of the 2015-16 Board Meeting Schedule and updated the Board on using the online District Calendar of Public Events.

Graduations will be held Friday, May 29 at the high schools – CHS at 6 p.m. in the gymnasium and BSH at 8 p.m. in the stadium. In case of rain, BSH graduation will be moved to Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium.

Mrs. Henderson shared that SLED Agent Wayne Freeman will lead district training on reunification on June 15.

24-26 Superintendent's Report

Board member Sarah Simmons gave a brief update on legislative issues in Columbia.

Dr. Mercer provided information from our ThoughtExchange survey project. The website is soon to go live as we continue to delve into areas of concern that need to be addressed in our District.

Dr. Mercer invited Board members to complete their board effectiveness feedback form.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by *Mr. Sims and was duly seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriette Hipp, Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

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Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, April minutes, student releases, trip requests, and personnel reports)
- Released Time Program
- Textbook Selections
- District Strategic Plan update
- Local Board Approved Courses
- Calendar adjustment
- Certified appointments
- Administrative appointment
- 2015-16 General Fund & Debt Service Budget – first reading