

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

District Administrative Offices

May 10, 2016

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Board members present were:

David Garner
Angie Horton
Jack Mabry
David Sereque
Craig Sims

Sarah Simmons
Connie Smith
Joyce Wright
Rachel Smith Yelton

Lead administrators present were:

Scott J. Mercer
Angela Hinton

Call to Order

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and welcomed the public and media. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Simmons offered words of inspiration 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

The following individuals/groups were recognized:

- Deborah Ezell – CHS, Earth Science Teacher of the Year for SC
- District Two Retirees

1a-e Consent Agenda

*Mrs. Wright made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda (agenda for this meeting, April minutes, trip request, student releases, and personnel reports). The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 9-0.

2 Projects Update

Lori Long from Jumper Carter Sease Architects and several members of the Thompson Turner Construction team gave an update with photos of the progression of Shoally Creek Elementary. After 12 months of construction, the building is 100% in the dry, the canopies are done, terrazzo is being poured, and paving on site is coming soon. Final inspection has been scheduled for July 21.

Work on the modular at the District Office has been completed.

Through a PowerPoint created by consultant Don Altman, three options were presented to the Board to consider in regards to new/updated facilities at BSH and BSH9. The three options to be considered were: Option 1 – Build a new BSH on the current campus, then renovate the current BSH and move BSH9 into the renovated building. Option 2 – Build a new BSH9 on BSH campus and renovate BSH and continue to use as BSH, or Option 3 – Renovate both schools in their current locations.

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* Mr. Sims made the motion which was duly seconded to approve Option 1 for the building of a new BSH and renovation of the current BSH to house BSH9. The motion carried unanimously 10-0, with electronic participation by Board member Harriette Hipp, who was unable to attend the meeting.

4-16 Instruction Report

Dr. Hinton announced that the Scholars Academy Graduation Ceremony will be held Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Campus Life Center ballroom at USC Upstate. District Two has 10 students who will graduate. Dr. Hinton noted that the Annual School Summary Report for each school has been completed which details achievements for the previous year and goals for the current year.

Melissa DeLoach, Scholars Academy Director, introduced three current students who talked about their experiences at Scholars Academy.

Dr. Claretta Kerns, Dean of the Spartanburg County Early College High School (SCECHS), introduced three students currently enrolled in the program, who spoke on the program and the benefits of attending.

Dr. Hinton introduced Kathy Fagan, a veteran teacher at CFG Elementary, who presented a short video and discussed how technology changed her classroom instruction. Jason Paddock reported that the District is moving forward with taking away access to the App Store for students. Troy Moore spoke on the District's use of new software to track all iPads, the process of switching Chesnee locations to a new circuit and the next phase of the 10GB upgrade. The DDOS attacks have gotten less severe as the State and AT & T work quickly to mitigate.

Dr. Hinton reported that we will again offer Summer School options to our students. The Summer Learning Academy will be housed at CFG with Stephanie Blanton, Asst. Principal of Hendrix Elementary, acting as director. A Summer Reading Camp has been incorporated into this program as well. Summer school for the three middle schools will be held at RLM and a PLATO credit recovery lab will be held at BS9, BSH, and CHS. Summer Professional Development courses are in place for teachers with graduate courses, mini-courses and a Technology in Two Summer Conference which will be held on June 2, 2016 at BSE.

Dr. Hinton requested approval for a one year pilot program for a modified dismissal schedule on Wednesdays at BSH and CHS to allow for teacher collaboration time for data-driven PLCs. *Mr. Mabry made the motion, which was duly seconded to allow a modified schedule and end time of 2:30 pm at BSH and CHS on Wednesdays for car riders and drivers. The motion carried unanimously, 9-0.

Dr. Hinton presented the Released Time Program application for approval consideration. *Mr. Mabry made the motion, which was duly seconded, to approve the 2016-17 Released Time Program application. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hinton recommended for approval the SC Dept. of Education required District Strategic/Literacy Plan update. * Mrs. Wright made the motion, which was duly seconded, to approve the District Strategic/Literacy Plan Update. The motion carried unanimously, 9-0.

Dr. Hinton requested approval for Local Board Approved (LBA) Courses for the 2016-17 school year. These courses need approval on an annual basis. *Mr. Sims made the motion, which was duly seconded, to approve all LBA courses for 2016-17. The motion carried unanimously.

9:06 p.m. Executive Session

* Mr. Sereque made the motion to go into executive session for personnel, legal and contractual issues. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

9:41 p.m. Return to Open Session

*Mrs. Wright made the motion to return to regular session which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

17-19 Personnel Report

Mr. Enloe presented the following certified appointment for approval:

Anslie Still, Teacher-Elem	Boiling Springs Elementary (RP)
Hunter Martin, Teacher-Elem	Boiling Springs Elementary (RP)
Brandi Easler, Teacher-Elem	Boiling Springs Elementary (RP)
Jeremy Thomas, Teacher-SP ED	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Donna Bixby, Teacher-French	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Kerry Kotzur, Teacher-Math	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Jamie Pintuff, Teacher-SS	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Mitchell Barnette, Teacher-ELA	Boiling Springs High (RP)
Ben Enloe, Asst. Principal	BSH 9 th Grade Campus (RP)
Caitlin Fine, Teacher-Art	Boiling Springs Intermediate (RP)
Haley Nussman, Teacher-Math	Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Joshua Miller, Teacher-Orchestra	Boiling Springs Middle (NP)
Catherine Conger, Teacher-Math	Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Natalie Lewis, Teacher-Science	Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Caleb Weathers, Teacher-ELA	Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Melissa Betsill, Teacher-ELA	Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Sara Bell, Teacher-ELA	Boiling Springs Middle (RP)
Heather Scruggs, Teacher-Elem	Carlisle-Foster's Grove (RP)
Ashley Cloonan, Teacher-Elem	Chesnee Elementary (RP)
Haley Gregg, Teacher-Spanish	Chesnee High (RP)
Savanna Beheler, Teacher-Sp. Ed	Cooley Springs Fingerville (RP)
Sherry Starnes, Speech Therapist	Cooley Springs Fingerville (RP)
Ann Davis, School Psychologist	District Office (RP)
Michael Robertson, Teacher-Music	Oakland Elementary (RP)
Abigail Dahlam, Teacher-Elem	Oakland Elementary (RP)
Lauren Davis, Teacher-Elem	Oakland Elementary (RP)
Sara Hall, Teacher-Sp. Ed	Rainbow Lake Middle (RP)
Raegan Fulmer, Teacher-ELA	Rainbow Lake Middle (RP)
Brandy McDaniel, Teacher-Art	Shoally Creek Elementary (NP)
Andrea Beech, Media Specialist	Shoally Creek Elementary (NP)
Paje Smith, Teacher-Elem	Shoally Creek Elementary (NP)
Erin Chastain, Teacher-Music	Shoally Creek Elementary (NP)

*Mrs. Wright made the motion to approve the certified appointment as presented. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 9-0.

Dr. Mercer presented the following administrative appointment for approval:

Ben Enloe, Asst. Principal	BSH 9 th Grade Campus (RP)
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*Mr. Sereque made the motion to approve the administrative appointment. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 9-0.

Mr. Enloe presented a revision to Policy IKA for first reading. The revision concerns changing the grading system to a 10-point scale, as proposed by the SC State Department of Education.

*Mr. Sims made the motion to approve as first reading the revision to Policy IKA. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

20-21 Finance Report

Mr. Heron provided financial reports for April 2016, broken down into fund groups, and a revenue sheet as information.+

Mr. Heron presented the 2016-17 General Fund & Debt Service Budgets for first reading. There is a Budget Work Session scheduled for May 24, 2016 Final reading on the budget is set for the June 7, 2016 Board meeting pending no other legislative changes.*Mr. Sereque made the motion to approve the General Fund and Debt Service Budgets for first reading, which was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

22-24 Public Relations Report

Mrs. Henderson reported that in recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week and School Nurse Day, apples were delivered to each school for all employees. Mrs. Henderson also reminded the Board of our upcoming graduation ceremonies. As part of our safety procedures, Mrs. Henderson stated that tables, banners, and other supplies have been secured and housed at the DO for use in the event of a reunification process at an off-site location.

25-27 Superintendent's Report

Board member Jack Mabry commented that he had received responses from Representatives Cole, Hicks, and Brannon concerning various items of interest at the state level, including “hold harmless money,” money for buses, teacher supply money, teacher recruitment money and salary increase, and a base student cost increase of \$130.

Dr. Mercer commented that Representatives Hicks and Brannon would both be speaking at the Spartanburg Two Community Leadership Council at the District Office on Monday, May 16, 2016, at noon.

Dr. Mercer invited board members to complete the Board Effectiveness Feedback Form.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriette Hipp, Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, April minutes, trip request, student releases, and personnel reports)
- Option 1 – BSH/BS9 New/Updated Facilities
- Modified Wednesday schedule for BSH and CHS
- Released Time program
- District Strategic/Literacy Plan
- LBA Approved Courses 2016-17
- Certified Appointments
- Administrative Appointment
- First Reading, Policy IKA
- First Reading, 2016-17 General Fund and Debt Service Budgets

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