

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

District Administrative Offices

October 11, 2016

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Board members present were:

Harriette Hipp
Angie Horton
Jack Mabry
David Sereque

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 7:00 p.m. and welcomed the public and media. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. 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.

Public Comments

Parent, Mike Dominesey, voiced his concern about full-time SROs in our elementary schools.

Who's Who in

Svetlana Semenuk, RLM, was recognized for her award winning artwork and congratulated by the Board.

Nisarg Patel, BSH, was recognized for achieving a Platinum score on WorkKeys and congratulated by the Board.

1a-h Consent Agenda

*Mr. Mabry made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda (agenda for this meeting, September minutes, trip requests, and personnel reports). The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 8-0.

2-5 Instruction Report

Jason Paddock gave a brief update on the district's personalized digital learning initiative including tech support and iPads software upgrades.

Dr. Hinton invited the Board to attend the Instruction Data Workshop on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 to review data from the 2015-16 school year.

Katie Farr, a SCE kindergarten teacher, shared how she teaches coding to her students with the use of robots, Dash and Dot.

Kim Ashby presented the District's Gifted and Talented Five-Year plan update for approval to be submitted to the State Department of Education.

*Mrs. Wright made the motion, which was duly seconded, to approve the Gifted and Talented Five-Year Plan+. The motion carried unanimously.

7:26 p.m. Executive Session

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

7:52 p.m. Return to Open Session

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

6-8 Personnel Report

A terminated classified employee's request for a hearing was presented to the Board along with copies of the written record. Mr. Enloe presented the recommendation to uphold administration's decision and deny the employee's request for a hearing.

*Mr. Sereque made the motion to uphold administration's decision and deny the employee's request for a hearing. The motion was duly seconded and carried 7-0-1.

Mr. Enloe presented for final reading Policy JFAB with additional language added to allow students classified as seniors to continue attending District Two during their senior year with reduced tuition if they have moved out of our attendance area.

*Mr. Mabry made the motion to approve Policy JFAB as first reading which was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 8-0.

Mr. Enloe presented for final reading Policy GCB with date changes regarding the issue of teacher contracts and the notice of acceptance in response to legislative changes to the Employment and Dismissal of Teachers Act, SC Code 59-25-410.

*Mr. Sereque made the motion to approve Policy GCB as first reading which was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

9 Finance Report

Mr. Heron provided the financial report for September 2016 and a revenue sheet as information.

10-12 Public Relations Report

Mr. Acosta shared with the Board information about the Great Southeast ShakeOut earthquake drill and also provided information on upcoming Board events.

Delegates and alternates were appointed for the SCSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference and Delegate Assembly on Saturday December 3. The votes were assigned to Rachel Smith Yelton (2), David Garner (2), and Jack Mabry as alternate.

13-15 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Mercer reviewed a written summary of our progress on the ten 2015-16 District Goals.

Dr. Mercer presented a request for Use of School Facilities by The Garden Church to continue to use the facilities at Chesnee Elementary for another year.

*Mrs. Hipp made the motion to approve the request which was duly seconded and carried 7-1.

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

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriette Hipp, Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, September minutes, trip requests, and personnel reports)
- Gifted and Talented Five-Year Plan
- Employee Request
- Policy JFAB
- Policy GCB
- Request for Use of School Facilities – the Garden Church