

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

District Administrative Offices

February 14, 2017

7:00 P.M.

Minutes

Board members present were:

David Garner
Harriette Hipp
Angie Horton
Jack Mabry
David Sereque

Sarah Simmons
Craig Sims
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 Notification

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

Public Comments

Bill Lancaster, grandparent to children in the District, would like for all students to be given the opportunity to watch the inauguration ceremony in the future.

Angela Johnson, parent of three RLM students, expressed concerns about lack of diversity of teachers, lack of amenities at RLM compared to BSM, and parking and signage around the school.

Who's Who in 2

- Board member book presentations
- All-State Orchestra, Band and Chorus students were recognized

1a-g Consent Agenda

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

2 Project Update

Lori Long briefed the Board on the design and planning stages for new Boiling Springs High. Big picture concepts were shown and focus group meetings are being held at BSH and soon they will

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meet with BSH 9th Grade staff. Site plan is becoming more efficient and well-designed. Class wings will be 2-story. Buses will come in on McMillin Road. The plan is to move the baseball field and add softball field on back of site. A ground-breaking ceremony is tentatively planned for Mid-May.

3-5 Instruction Report

Dr. Hinton introduced fourth grade teachers from Carlisle-Foster's Grove Elementary to present a recently introduced program they use called Little Free Library. The concept is "give a book/take a book" and is stationed outside the fourth grade classrooms. Flyers were sent home to parents to send their overflow of books.

Fran Metta, Director of Special Services, provided an overview of the recent Special Services Program Monitoring audit, conducted by SCDE, Office of Special Education Services. The District received many positive comments about PBIS and teaching efforts. We will continue to improve credit recovery programs, inclusive practices and IEP professional development over the next year.

Jason Paddock commented that the use of Gaggle is going well, at this point rising 7-12 graders will be taking their iPads home this summer, and our 3rd Annual Tech in 2 will be on June 1 at Shoally Creek Elementary.

8:08 p.m. Executive Session

*Mrs. Wright made the motion, which was duly seconded, to move to Executive Session for personnel and contractual issues. The motion carried unanimously.

8:49 p.m. Return to Open Session

*Mrs. Wright made the motion, which was duly seconded, to return to Open Session. The motion carried unanimously.

6-8 Personnel Report

Mr. Enloe presented for final reading Policy BG/BGD-R with revisions concerning the policy process and administrative rules, bringing our policy into congruence with our practice.

*Mrs. Simmons made the motion to approve Policy BG/BGD-R as final reading, which was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 10-0.

Mr. Enloe presented the following certified appointment for approval:

Lorraine Adcox, Speech Therapist Chesnee Elementary (RP)

*Mrs. Wright made the motion to approve the certified appointments as presented. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously, 10-0.+

Mr. Enloe presented a list of school and district-level administrative appointments for approval for the 2017-18 school year.+

*Mr. Sereque made the motion to approve the administrative appointments which was duly seconded and carried 9-0-1(abstention).

9-11 Financial Report

Mr. Heron provided the financial reports for January 2017 and a revenue sheet as information.+

Mr. Heron also provided a budget update for FY 2017-18 from Columbia. Subcommittees are getting close to finishing their work so we will have numbers to work with. Stabilizing the pension deficit is a hot topic.

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Frannie Heizer, McNair Law Firm, presented for approval the issuance of two general obligation bonds as follows:

- 1) Resolution authorizing not exceeding \$120,000,000 general obligation bonds and general obligation bond anticipation notes;

*Mrs. Hipp made the motion to approve the resolution which was duly seconded and carried 10-0.

- 2) Resolution authorizing not exceeding \$10,000,000 general obligation bonds through the 2017 Spring and Fall SCAGO GO Programs.

*Mrs. Wright made the motion to approve the resolution which was duly seconded and carried 10-0.

12-14 Superintendent's Report

Board member Jack Mabry gave an update on legislative issues in Columbia, reiterating that the pension deficit is a big issue. Also, there is an effort to redefine the "Disturbing Schools" issue, including fines for non-students. The upcoming Solar Eclipse maybe effect the school start date for the 2017-18 school year.

Dr. Mercer presented the results of the District's recent ThoughtExchange on work-life balance and the plans to address the issues.

Dr. Mercer reminded the Board to complete their Board Effectiveness Feedback Form.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Harriette Hipp, Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, January minutes, trip requests, student releases and personnel reports)
- Policy BG/BGD-R, Final Reading
- Certified Appointments
- Administrative Appointments
- Bond Resolutions (2)

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