

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

District Two Administrative Offices

April 13, 2021
7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Board members present were:

Connie Banks
Seth Breitenbach
David Garner
Johnny Jackson
Brandon McKillop

Jason Seay
Craig Sims
Connie Smith
Rachel Smith-Yelton

Lead administrators present were:

Lance Radford
Angela Hinton

Call to Order

Board Chair Brandon McKillop called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Johnny Jackson offered the invocation.

Media Notice Confirmation

Mr. McKillop asked if the media had been notified of the meeting, and Mrs. Horton responded in the affirmative. There were no public comments.

Who's Who in Two

- Region III Science Fair Award Winners (video)
- SCCAWS Class AA Golf Player of the Year – Sydney Roberts, CHS

1a-g Consent Agenda

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

2 Projects Update

Joel Carter (Jumper Carter Sease Architects), Trevin Thompson (Thompson Turner Construction), and David McCutchen (McCutchen Engineering) gave an update on the addition and renovation progress for Rainbow Lake Middle and Sugar Ridge Elementary. Work is progressing at both projects with overhead inspections coming soon. Fencing is down and equipment in place to begin the work for Chesnee High's athletics facilities. Bids are ready to be sent out on the RLM athletic upgrades, including a baseball/softball shared press box, restrooms, and fencing.

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3-9 Instruction Report

Dr. Hinton shared that District Two has 2 teachers who have renewed their National Board Certification, Amy Flynn of HES and Julie Vinesett of MES. They are two of 13 teachers across the state to earn NBCT renewal.

Dr. Hinton shared the list of Region III Science Fair Award Winners, and that due to Covid-19, there were no new textbook adoptions this year.

Dr. Hinton requested approval to apply for the CATE, Title II - Part A, and Title III grants for the District for 2021-22.

*Dr. Banks made the motion to approve District application for CATE, Title II-Part A, and Title III Grants, which was duly seconded and approved 9-0.

Dr. Hinton presented the District Strategic Plan and School Renewal Plan Yearly Updates for 2021-22 for approval. Districts and schools are required to write new plans every five years, and update these plans every year. This is an update year.

*Ms. Smith made the motion to approve the District Strategic Plan Update and School Renewal Plan Updates for 2021-22, which was duly seconded and approved 9-0.

Dr. Hinton presented for approval the 2021-22 School Ministries Released Time application for our three middle schools. This program needs to be approved annually by the Board.

*Dr. Banks made the motion to approve the School Ministries application, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

Dr. Hinton requested approval for submission of a SCDE required waiver from seat-time regulations for qualifying students participating in the Spartanburg County Public Virtual Program.

*Mr. Jackson made the motion to approve waiver submission to SCDE from seat-time regulations for qualifying SCPVP students, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

10 Personnel Report

Mr. Brooks presented the following certified appointments for approval:

Schlenke, Elizabeth -- Teacher-SpEd	Boiling Springs Elementary
Nichols, Morgan -- Teacher-Math	Boiling Springs High
Pendley, Ashley -- Teacher-ELA	BSH/BSH Freshman Academy
Porter, Sara -- Teacher-5 th Grade	Chesnee Elementary
Schlenke, Joe -- Teacher - Elementary	Chesnee Elementary
Smith, Pamela -- Teacher-2nd Grade	Chesnee Elementary
Malott, Nicole --Teacher-2nd Grade	Carlisle-Foster's Grove Elem.
Morris, Caroline -- Teacher – Elem.	Carlisle-Foster's Grove Elem.
Barrington, Joel -- Teacher-Science	Chesnee High
Deluna, Destinee -- Teacher-Spanish	Chesnee High
Smith, Tiffany -- Teacher-ELA	Chesnee Middle
Dawson, Jamie -- Literacy Coordinator	District Office
Ratigan, Ashlee -- Teacher-Dance	Hendrix Elementary
Stockman, Shelby -- Teacher-1 st Grade	Oakland Elementary
Akinpelu, Kenya -- Teacher-Math	Rainbow Lake Middle
Duncan, Sonya -- Teacher-Math	Rainbow Lake Middle
Fowler, Denise -- Teacher-ELA	Rainbow Lake Middle
Gregory, Destinee -- Teacher-Orchestra	Rainbow Lake Middle
Lewis, Jamie -- Teacher-ELA	Rainbow Lake Middle
Oliver, Johanna -- Teacher-Math	Rainbow Lake Middle

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*Mr. Seay made the motion to approve the certified appointments, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

11-13 Finance Report

Ms. Richardson provided the financial report for the month of March 2021 and a revenue sheet as information. Also included was a referendum expenditure update, RLM and BSI/SRE, and CHS expenditure updates.+

Ms. Richardson updated the Board on the FY 2021-22 budget process, including information on the teacher salary step increase, Base Student Cost increase, and plans to present the draft of our budget at the May meeting. The Senate Finance Committee and full Senate are set to meet by the end of the month, which will give a clearer picture.

14 Public Relations Report

Mr. Acosta shared various news stories promoting good, positive news happening in the District.

16-19 Superintendent's Report

Mr. Radford thanked the Board and Administrators for their continued support and trust. He reminded the Board of the upcoming Teacher of the Year banquet, the Swofford Plant Sale and the CHS Athletics Groundbreaking event.

Mr. Radford shared that we continue to monitor COVID numbers and will closely watch after our spring break for any uptick in numbers.

Executive Session for Personnel matters

8:03 p.m. Executive Session

*Mr. Breitenbach made the motion, which was duly seconded, to move to Executive Session for personnel matters. The motion carried 9-0.

8:22 p.m. Return to Open Session

*Mr. Sims made the motion to return to Open Session, which was duly seconded and approved 9-0.

*Ms. Smith made the motion that the administration proceed with filing a formal complaint with the State Department of Education as to Employee 1 for breach of contract in accordance with S.C. Code of Laws Section 59-25-530. The motion was duly seconded and carried 8-1.

*Ms. Smith made the motion that the administration proceed with filing a formal complaint with the State Department of Education as to Employee 2 for breach of contract in accordance with S.C. Code of Laws Section 59-25-530. The motion was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

Mr. McKillop invited the Board to complete the Board Feedback form.

*Mrs. Banks made a motion to adjourn, which was duly seconded and carried 9-0.

Adjournment – 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Garner, Board Secretary

Carla Horton, Recording Secretary

Approvals:

- Consent agenda (Agenda for this meeting, March minutes, and personnel reports)
- CATE, Title II-Part A, and Title III Grant applications
- District Strategic Plan and School Renewal Plan Yearly updates for 2021-22
- School Ministries (Released Time) Application for 2021-22
- SCDE Waiver
- Certified Appointments
- Proceed with formal complaint to SCDE for Employee 1, Breach of Contract
- Proceed with formal complaint to SCDE for Employee 2, Breach of Contract

