

SPARTANBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Charles H. Humphries, Jr., Administration Building
Spartanburg, South Carolina
Tuesday, August 2, 2016
6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Julie Lonon
Ms. Sharon Porter
Mr. Sanders Lee
Mr. Vernon Beatty
Mrs. Meg Clayton
Mr. Rick Gray
Mr. Andy Hayes
Mr. Clay Mahaffey
Dr. Ernest White

MEMBER(S) ABSENT: None

NOTICE TO MEDIA: In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80, as amended, the following were notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting: THE SPARTANBURG HERALD/JOURNAL, WSPA, WYFF

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mrs. Julie Lonon called the meeting to order. Mr. Hayes gave the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Dr. White to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Gray. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed.
- III. CITIZENS' COMMENTS:** There were no Citizens' Comments
- IV. ACTION ITEMS:**
 - A. Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Mr. Gray to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Mahaffey. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed.
 - B. Approval of SCAGO GO Bond Resolution:** A motion was made by Mr. Gray to approve this resolution authorizing the sale of not to exceed \$5,500,000 in SCAGO (South Carolina Association of Government Organizations) General Obligation Bonds for the purpose of providing funds inclusive of the technology final payment, the Capital Program, the Building Program and costs of issuance, seconded by Ms. Porter. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

C. Approval of Membership of Comprehensive Health Advisory Committee (CHEAC) Member Recommendations: A motion was made by Mr. Mahaffey to approve the six nominations to the CHEAC Committee as presented. Each member will serve a two-year term (July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2018), seconded by Dr. White. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

V. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT UPDATE: McMillan Pazdan Smith, Harper Corporation and M B Kahn Construction provided updates on the progress for the new elementary and new high school projects. Margaret Rush with MB Kahn reiterated their desire to use local women, small and minority businesses when possible and that the meet and greet in September for contractors would be advertised in the newspaper and throughout the City.

VI. REPORTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION:

Human Resources: Dr. Carlotta Redish, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, provided the monthly staffing report.

Communications: Ms. Sally Hammond, Chief Communications Officer, provided a copy of the communication's overview and media report along with a list of pertinent dates for the month.

Instruction: Dr. Terry Pruitt, Deputy Superintendent, encouraged board members to attend the 8th annual district wide conference 7Shares on Wednesday, August 10. He noted there were over 120 breakout sessions scheduled following the opening general session for teachers and staff to attend as part of our continuous professional learning plan.

Student Services: There was no report.

Financial Report: Ms. Missy Campbell, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Financial Reports for May and June 2016. She said comparing June 2015 year-to-date activity to June 2016; the District's revenue was consistent with prior year collections at 97% at this point in time. The District's expenditures are within target ranges and consistent with percentages from prior year at 97% as well.

Planning & Operations: Dr. Thomas White, Assistant Superintendent for Planning and Operations, stated Pine Street School HVAC project was substantially complete on August 1 with the final OSF inspection scheduled on Thursday, August 11th. He said no issues were anticipated with teachers returning on August 8th or students returning on August 15th.

VII. SUPERINTENDENTSREPORT:

Welcome Back: Dr. Booker said summer has been very productive, and all were anxiously awaiting the return of students. He formally thanked the many teachers

and staff members who taught summer reading camps, summer school, and conducted various camps throughout the summer. He further noted the new school year was brimming with excitement with a new mission statement that stressed our collective commitment to inspire and equip our students for meaningful lives of leadership and service as world citizens.

Leadership Retreat: Dr. Booker said the District leadership team attended a successful annual retreat at Milliken & Company on July 28 to discuss the year ahead. The theme of the retreat was “Building a Culture of Continuous Improvement” which underscored the effort we will put forth as we build upon the solid foundation that has been laid in this district. Dr. Booker said following our AdvancED External Review, it was determined that the district should develop, implement and monitor a systemic and systematic continuous improvement process. Furthermore, it was determined that a focus on targeted and continuous professional learning for all professional and support staff in the interpretation and used of data should be a priority.

Meeting Street Academy Update: Dr. Booker said he attended a virtual meeting with the State Board of Education on July 12 to discuss the District Seven/Meeting Street Academy – Spartanburg partnership. He said the State Board of Education gave unanimous approval to the partnership and approved each of the waivers submitted by District Seven. He also said the faculty and students at Meeting Street Academy had returned and were off to a great start of the 2016-2017 school year.

Cleveland Academy of Leadership: Dr. Booker noted that school had resumed at Cleveland Academy on July 8. He formally thanked the numerous community partners who came out and made the “Back to School Bash” a successful and meaningful event for our children and their families. He said attendance had been at an all-time high during this summer session, and the staff was to be commended for their hard work.

Upcoming Events: Dr. Booker shared several key dates of interest to Board Members in preparation of kick off to the 2016-2017 school term.

August 4	New Employee Luncheon (Indigo Hall)	11:30am
August 8	Teachers Return	
August 10	District Convocation, 7Shares	8:30am
August 15	First Day for Students	
August 17	Meet the Vikings	6:30pm
August 19	Spartanburg vs. Summerville (Gibbs)	7:30pm

VIII. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT: A copy of the draft Agenda for September 6, 2016 Board Meeting was provided.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no Executive Session

X. ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no Executive Session, no action taken.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: At approximately 7:33 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Lee to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dr. White. All were in favor of the motion. The motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT

CHAIR

SECRETARY

MINUTES APPROVED