



Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Monday, January 27, 2020

6:00 p.m. - Central Office

I. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

The Rock Hill School District Three Board of Trustees met this date at 6:00 p.m. with members present as follows: *Windy Cole, Mildred Douglas, Terry Hutchinson, Helena Miller, Robin Owens, and Ann Reid.* *Brent Faulkenberry* participated via FaceTime.

Neely Donahue, a fifth grader at Oakdale Drive Elementary School, led in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Miller stated that the local news media had been notified of the agenda for this meeting, in writing, on Friday, November 22, 2019.

A motion was made by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Windy Cole, to approve the agenda. The agenda was unanimously approved as presented, 7-0.

II. Recognitions

A. Recognition of Platinum Scoring Students on WIN Assessment

Thirty-seven students from Northwestern, Rock Hill, and South Pointe High Schools were recognized for earning platinum score on the WIN Assessment.

B. Recognition of Board Member Mildred Douglas – 20 Year Service Award

Board Member Mildred Douglas was recognized for 20 years of service on the Board of Trustees.

C. Recognition of Board Member Ann Reid – 20 Year Service Award

Board Member Ann Reid was recognized for 20 years of service on the Board of Trustees.

D. Recognition of School Board Month & Signing of the SCSBA Ethical Principles

Board Chair Helena Miller recited the Board Member Ethical Principles as provided by the South Carolina School Boards Association. Following the reading, board members each signed the SCSBA Ethical Principles poster. Board members were also provided with two story books as a thank you for their years of service.

III. Citizen Participation - None

IV. Consent Action Agenda

On a motion by Windy Cole, seconded by Terry Hutchinson, the following topics on the consent action agenda were unanimously approved, 7-0: the minutes of the December 9, 2019 combined work session/business meeting; the personnel recommendations as submitted by the administration; an addendum to the 2020-2021 high school course catalog; and, the FY18-19 financial audit.

V. Action Agenda

A. Approval of Section “L” Policies – Interorganizational Relations – 1st read

A motion was made by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Windy Cole, to approve the following policies as a group for 1st read:

***Policy LBA** – *Shared Services & Staff*

***Policy LDA** – *Student Teaching & Internships*

***Policy LH** – *Relations with Educational Accreditation Agencies*

This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

B. Approval of Policy EEAE – Bus Safety Program – 1st read

A motion was made by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Ann Reid, to approve Policy **EEAE** – *Bus Safety Program*, for 1st read.

This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

C. Approval of Amendment of Agreement regarding City’s Redevelopment Plan

A motion was made by Robin Owens, seconded by Ann Reid, to approve and authorize the resolution and third amendment of the City’s Redevelopment Plan.

This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

D. Approval of Dual Language Immersion High School Recommendation

A motion was made by Robin Owens, seconded by Terry Hutchinson, to approve the administration’s Dual Language Immersion High School Recommendation.

This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

VI. Communications - None

VII. Report of the Superintendent

A. Announcements

Superintendent Cook made the following announcements:

- On Saturday, February from 10am-12pm at South Pointe High School, we will be hosting our annual teacher recruitment fair. We look forward to meeting with teacher candidates at this event, and we invite board members to attend and offer encouragement and support to prospective employees.
- District leaders hosted the fifth Teacher Listen and Learn informational session for teachers from across the district on Friday, January 24. This series of meetings is providing a rich opportunity to engage in dialogue with teachers about celebrations, issues and concerns for our school district. To view detailed responses to questions and concerns from past Teacher Listen and Learn sessions, you are invited to visit www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/tll. Monthly sessions will continue each month through April.
- The online application for families interested in having their child attend a choice program for the 2020-2021 school year will remain open until February 28. Each choice program is

application-based, and applications must be submitted by the deadline on our website, www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/choice.

- Next month, we will complete the rollout and launch of a new GPS tracking service for our school buses. The Versatrans My Stop mobile app will give parents and guardians secure access to information on where their child's school bus is and what time it is expected to be at their stop. Similar to rideshare apps like Uber and Lyft, this will allow our students and parents to better plan for late or on-time arrival of buses and prevent missed pick-ups or waiting for extended periods at bus stops on cold, dark and rainy mornings. We believe this new feature will continue to improve the communication between our Transportation department and our parents.
- Our district is honored to participate in a pilot program with 15 other districts in South Carolina to develop an eLearning program. Information about this unique learning opportunity for Rock Hill Schools has been shared with our students, teachers, and community. Please mark your calendar for Monday, April 13, 2020 – this scheduled make-up date will be used as an eLearning day and allow students to make up time lost during the water main break in October. For eLearning days, students will complete assignments at home, and school will not be open. To learn more and to view an overview video of the eLearning program in Rock Hill Schools, please visit our website www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/elearning.
- The School Board will next meet on Monday, December 9 in a combined work session and board meeting. The meeting will be streamed on our website and available for viewing on-demand immediately following the broadcast. We invite our community to watch meetings and interact with the district during our live Facebook broadcasts.

VIII. Review of School Board Work Session – *December 9, 2019 and January 13, 2020*

Chairman Miller reviewed, for the viewing audience, the topics discussed at the December 9 and January 13 work sessions.

IX. Other and Future Business

The Board discussed other and future business.

X. Executive Session

A motion was made by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Windy Cole, to adjourn open session and enter executive session for

▪ Personnel Matter: *Hiring*

This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

A motion was made by Windy Cole, seconded by Bent Faulkenberry, to adjourn executive session and reconvene open session. This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

XI. Action as Required from Executive Session

A motion was made by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Windy Cole, to accept the administration's recommendation for District Director of Safety and Security.

This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

XII. Adjournment

On a motion by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Ann Reid the Board voted unanimously, 7-0, to adjourn the meeting.

Secretary

APPROVED: _____
Chairman

Submitted by:

Chris Gammons
Executive Administrative Assistant to Superintendent
and Board of Trustees