

The District Five Board of Trustees met Monday, November 24, 2014, at Duncan Elementary School, 100 S. Danzler Road, Duncan, SC at 6:30 p.m.

The following members were present:

Mr. Steve Brockman
Mr. Bo Corne
Mr. Rick Eitel
Mr. Patrick Jarrett
Mr. Phil McIntyre
Mrs. Julie McMakin
Mr. James Norman
Mr. Michael Thompson

1. **Call to Order and Notice to Media:** Mr. Rick Eitel, Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order and read the Notice to Media:

Spartanburg County School District Five has complied with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act in notification of the media and other interested parties and organizations and posting of the agenda.

2. **Open Meeting with Prayer:** Mr. Steve Brockman led the opening prayer.
3. **Approval of Minutes – October 27, 2014:** Minutes from the October 27, 2014 meeting were approved as presented.

4. **Special Recognition:** The following students and teachers were recognized and received certificates for outstanding accomplishments:

- Dana Boyd- District Five Distinguished Teacher of Reading
- Faith Ponce- District Five Holiday Card Winner
- D.R. Hill Middle- Peachtree All Conference Football: Zac Beasley, Brock Carroll, Corey Nix, Ben Henson, Tyler Cannon, Jaylen Pearson, Vacilli Hartofilax, Te' Aundre Young, Nelson Freeman
- D.R. Hill Middle- Peachtree All Conference Volleyball: Ashley Fowler, Zharra Foster
- Florence Chapel- Peachtree All Conference Football: Warren James, Josiah Irby, Jaylen Miller, B.J. Peake, T.J. Young, DeAndre Cornish, Clayton Crile, Rahajai Harris, Easton Cullison, Quentin Talley, SanaJae Crouch, Bradley Auten, Zach Davis, Rylen Fowler
- Florence Chapel- Peachtree All Conference Volleyball: Jamiah Gilliam, Cat Jumper
- Byrnes High School Cross Country: Malik Epps (All Region, Spartanburg Co. Champ, Upper State Champ, All State), Emma Jennings (All Region, Shrine Bowl Runner)
- Cheerleading- All Region: Mckenzie Bronson, Timmany Nesbitt, Emily Ledford, Chelsea Thompson
- Robin Bronson- Region II Coach of the Year

- Girls Tennis- All Region: Kristen Bruton
- Girls Volleyball- All Region: Nascottisha Drummond (also North/South participant), Brooke Waldrop, McKenzie Young-Mullins
- Girls Golf: Blake Hodges (North/South Participant)
- Girls Softball- State Champions: Kate Burnet, Regan Messenger, Malibu Gaston, Katelyn Sloan, Alexis Glenn, Brianna Durrah, Allison Neely, Kaila Kyzer, Payten Bennett, Parker Birch, Tatum Arboleda, Kasey Widmeyer, Kayce Shelton, Kassie Rimel, Victoria Hall, Brandi Aiken - Head Coach, Brooks Guyton- Assistant Coach, Rae Berry- Assistant Coach, Tamara Branch - Assistant Coach, Kendra Reeder- Assistant Coach, Raelytn Chambliss- Assistant Coach, Ryan Davis- Assistant Coach, Robert Fowler- Assistant Coach
- Perfect Pass Scores: Jude Daniel, Elena Dunlap, Daniel Schulz, Molly Turner, Gabrielle Cook, Kristen Gohs, Tayla Reini, Henry Tucker, Andrea Weekes, Raegan Welch, Thomas Burkett, Sarah Pearson, Charles Dugaw, Katherine Rodgers, Aurelia Fendley, Nikki Jackson, Benjamin Hart, Jenna Gaffney, Jenna Hollis, William Chastain, Jefferson Elmore, John Emerson, Angela Levasseur, Noah Mckinney, Patrik Neeser, Azlyn Persails, Jordan Tucker

5. Action Agenda

- a) **Lyman Elementary School Expansion:** Mrs. Donza Mattison and Mr. Ron Smith, architects with McMillan, Pazdan, Smith, presented the plans for expansion to Lyman Elementary School. The presentation included new exterior elevation changes, slight changes to the new classroom wings, an enlarged workroom area, an additional office for an assistant principal, and an exterior storage room (increase of 417 square feet from the plan presented in October for a total of 14,175 additional square feet to the existing campus). Mrs. Mattison reported that her firm has been working with engineers and submitted the plan to a professional cost estimator. Mrs. Mattison also reported that DOT has been on site to evaluate traffic flow and determined that the existing driveways and loops for drop off and pick up are sufficient and will not need expansion. The updated project summary reports the total cost for the Lyman Elementary School expansion to be \$3,505,147, an increase of \$556,732 from the estimate presented in October. The tentative timeline was also included in the presentation, which estimates construction to begin in June 2015 and be completed and ready for school in August 2016.

After questions and discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to approve the expansion to Lyman Elementary School, as presented, for a total of \$3,505,147.

- b) **Byrnes High School Expansion:** Mrs. Mattison and Mr. Smith also presented the proposed expansion plans for Byrnes High School. Updated exterior elevations were presented. The updated project summary was included in the presentation, which included the total square footage of the addition to be 96,951 and the cost from the professional cost estimator to be \$26,190,055, an increase of \$5,526,988 from the cost presented in October. Mrs. Mattison reported that construction would begin in June 2015 and would be completed and ready for school in August 2016, if approved.

After questions and discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to approve the expansion to Byrnes High School, as presented, for a total of \$26,190,055.

- c) Financing of Lyman Elementary and Byrnes High School Construction Projects:** Mr. David Hayes, Director of Finance, presented the proposed financing plan for the construction projects at Lyman Elementary School and Byrnes High School. As presented, the estimated cost for Byrnes High School is \$26 million and Lyman Elementary School is \$3.5 million, for a total projected cost of \$29.5 million. Mr. Hayes presented the following plan for financing of both projects: short term bond issue of \$3.0 million; long term bond issue up to the amount available from the 8% debt limitation of the district's assessed value (currently \$18.2 million); and \$8.3 million from local building funds, which currently has a balance of \$9 million. Mr. Hayes reported that no tax millage increase would be required under this funding plan.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to approve the proposed financing plan of \$29.5 million for the expansion to Lyman Elementary School and Byrnes High School, as presented by the administration.

- d) Revisions to Policy EFE and EFE-R – Competitive Food Sales/Vending Machines (Second Reading):** Dr. Greg Wood, Assistant Superintendent for Administration and Operations, presented the second reading of revisions to board policy EFE and administrative rule EFE-R – Competitive Food Sales/Vending Machines. The policy and rule address acceptable competitive food and beverage items that are allowed to be served or sold in the schools. Dr. Wood also addressed the issue of school fundraisers that include foods or beverages not meeting nutritional standards, record maintenance and the exceptions that should be provided by the state in January. The district will adhere to federal and state guidelines and regulations.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to approve the second reading of board policy and administrative rule EFE and EFE-R – Competitive Food Sales/Vending Machines, as presented by the administration.

- e) Revisions to Policy ADF – Wellness Policy on Physical Education, Standards, Nursing and Nutrition Standards (Second Reading):** Dr. Wood presented the second reading of board policy ADF – Wellness Policy on Physical Education Standards, Nursing and Nutrition Standards. The revisions remove language in the current policy pertaining to competitive food sales and vending machines to align with the new guidelines and regulations. Revisions also address student food allergies and dietary restrictions and provide guidelines on outside foods and beverages brought into schools for student consumption. Dr. Wood reported that the district would begin publicizing the information on district and school websites and newsletters in the spring, to inform parents of the new policy to be implemented in August 2015 regarding outside foods being brought into the schools for students.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to approve the second

reading of board policy ADF – Wellness Policy on Physical Education Standards, Nursing and Nutrition Standards, as presented by the administration.

6. Reports

- a. **Federal and State Academic Report Card Ratings:** Dr. Scott Smith, Director of Accountability and Assessment, presented a brief report on the federal and state academic report card ratings. Dr. Smith informed the board that a more specific, detailed presentation of the data would be provided at the January board meeting. Dr. Smith's report included the state's absolute and growth ratings per school, as well as the ESEA waiver performance ratings per school. Dr. Smith also reported that the state report card will be information only for the next two years, as legislation specifies having only one accountability system.
- b. **Quarterly Financial Report:** Mr. Hayes provided the district's quarterly financial report as of September 30, 2014. As presented, the budget currently reflects a \$6.1 million deficit. Mr. Hayes reported that this deficit is to be expected as the majority of local tax revenue will be received in January and February. Mr. Hayes also reported that the district is on target to meet its budget on both revenue and expenditures.

7. Executive Session

- a. **Personnel:** A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to go into executive session for the purpose of personnel and student diploma request.

In open session, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to accept the personnel recommendations as of November 24, 2014 as presented.

In addition, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to proceed with Breach of Contract procedures against a former employee of Florence Chapel Middle School.

Furthermore, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to request State Board of Education action against the former employee's certificate.

- b. **Act 155 Diploma Requests** In open session, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to grant the petition of one former student who requested to receive a high school diploma due to the passing of ACT 155.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Thompson
Secretary