

The District Five Board of Trustees met Monday, February 22, 2016, at the District Five Administrative Office, 100 N. Danzler Road, Duncan, SC at 6:30 p.m.

The following members were present:

Mr. Steve Brockman
Mr. Mark Cleveland
Mr. Bo Corne
Mr. Rick Eitel
Mr. Garry Harper
Mr. Phil McIntyre
Mrs. Julie McMakin
Mr. Jeff Proper
Mr. Michael Thompson

1. **Call to Order and Notice to Media:** Mr. Garry Harper, 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. Michael Thompson led the opening prayer.
3. **Approval of Minutes –January 25, 2016:** Minutes from the January 25, 2016 meetings were approved as presented.

Dr. Scott Turner informed the Board that the presenter from R.D. Anderson was unable to attend the meeting. He asked that a vote be taken to remove item 6.a. from the agenda.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously (9-0) to remove item 6.a. Report from R.D. Anderson Applied Technology Center from the agenda.

4. **Special Recognition:** Mrs. Melissa Robinette, Director of Public Relations, recognized Marcia Kay, teacher at D.R. Hill Middle School, and Sarah Horan, teacher at Duncan Elementary School, as recipients of the Five's Finest Award. This award recognizes educators who go above and beyond to ensure the success of their students.

In addition, Mrs. Kathy Dunleavy, President of The Mary Black Foundation, provided a brief presentation explaining the history of The Foundation and its partnership with the District, specifically through the Middle Tyger Community Center. Mrs. Dunleavy reported that the Foundation received the Culture of Health Award through the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and presented the District with a memento in appreciation of the collaboration between the school district and the Foundation.

5. Action

- a) **Authorization of Appraisal and Sale of 1915 East Main Street Duncan Property:** Dr. Greg Wood, Assistant Superintendent of Administration and Operations, provided details pertaining to a parcel of property obtained by the District in 2003, located at 1915 East Main Street, Duncan, in order to move the road bed and create the intersection at River Falls and Shoals Road. RealOp Investments has approached the district and expressed an interest in purchasing the 1.82 acres of land for use as a retail site, specifically a doctor's office. An appraisal was prepared on the property and reported at \$300,000.

Mr. Seph Wunder, with RealOp Investments, was present and described some of the topographic challenges of the property, as well as the intent of the purchase. Mr. Wunder also reported that a clause would be included in the contract to prohibit any adult oriented businesses on said property. This clause would remain in effect until released by the district.

After questions and discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and approved (9-0) to accept the Appraisal Report, dated February 11, 2016, by Robert R. Elliott, Jr., MAI, SRA, for the District's property located at 1915 East Main Street, Duncan, SC related to the proposed sale of such property to a potential purchaser. In addition, the Board hereby authorizes Dr. Scott Turner, as superintendent of the District, to negotiate and enter into a contract for the sale of the District's property located at 1915 East Main Street, Duncan, SC the form of such contract is presently before this Board, with such minor changes and alternations as Dr. Turner may deem necessary to carry out the Board's intent, and to execute such ancillary documents, including a deed of sale, to consummate the transaction as contemplated in the aforementioned contract.

6. Reports

- a) **R.D. Anderson Applied Technology Center:** No report given, as the presenter was unable to attend.
- b) **M.B. Kahn Facilities and Demographic Study:** Mr. Chuck Saylor, Mr. Robbie Brax, Mr. Todd Weiss, and Dr. Dale Holden, representatives from M.B. Kahn Construction Management Division, presented a comprehensive five year plan to report their findings of the Facilities and Demographics Study of the district and existing facilities. The three main goals of the study were to assess the District's growth to determine future enrollments of each school; to assess the District's existing facilities to determine their ability to meet the future enrollments; and to make facility recommendations to the School Board based on the projected enrollments and current conditions of the existing facilities.

Population trends, census tracks, building permit data, and actual enrollment data was used to present the information on projected future enrollments. Dr. Holden's

report projected that the growth in the Northern Corridor will remain constant for the foreseeable future, while the Southern Corridor of the district will see strong growth as the transformation of communities continues. Using this data and calculations, the overall five-year enrollment projection for District Five was reported to be 1,007 students, grade K-12.

An overall district assessment, as well as individual school assessments, was also performed as part of this study. The physical condition and capacity for future growth were reviewed. Overall, the facilities have been maintained extremely well. The physical condition of the District's existing facilities is good with the exception of two schools, Reidville Elementary and Byrnes Freshman Academy. The team from M.B. Kahn reported that Reidville will not be able to serve the growth of that area over the next five years, and that a replacement school should be considered. The Byrnes Freshman Academy is in need of significant repairs and the core capacity of the school is limited by the site and cafeteria. Given this condition, a recommendation was made to replace this facility as well.

M.B. Kahn presented three plans they felt would adequately address the projected enrollment growth and conditions of existing facilities.

Plan A includes a four classroom addition to Beech Springs Intermediate School, a six classroom addition at Florence Chapel Middle School, and a new Reidville Elementary School at an estimated cost of \$30 million.

Plan B includes a four classroom addition to Beech Springs Intermediate School, a six classroom addition to Florence Chapel Middle School, a new Reidville Elementary School, and a new Byrnes Freshman Academy at an estimated cost of \$69 million.

Plan C includes a new Beech Springs Intermediate School, a six classroom addition to Florence Chapel Middle School, a new Reidville Elementary School, and moving the Byrnes Freshman Academy into the existing Beech Springs facility at an estimated cost of \$72 million.

- c) **Facilities:** Dr. Wood presented a facilities report on recent upgrades to several district facilities. His report included photos of new carpet in the band rooms at Berry Shoals, the new bus lot shed, an awning at D.R. Hill Middle School, house removal at Pine Street property in Reidville, new lights and landscaping in the Byrnes High School parking lot, new gym entrance and PE lockers at the high school, office countertops at Lyman and Abner Creek Elementary Schools, and upgrades to the nurses office at Beech Springs Intermediate.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (9-0) to go into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel.

7. Executive Session

- a) **Personnel:** In open session, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (9-0) to approve the personnel changes as of February 22, 2016 as presented.

In addition, a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously (9-0) to accept the district's personnel and contract recommendations for the 2016-17 school year as presented.

Furthermore, in compliance with Board Policy BHA – Board Member Conflict of Interest, four teacher's contracts were voted on individually. These teachers have family members who serve on the board.

The votes are recorded as follows:

Laura Brockman, Reidville Elementary School: (8-0-1): Steve Brockman abstained from voting.

Jennifer Eitel, River Ridge Elementary School: (8-0-1): Rick Eitel abstained from voting.

Natalie Oliver, Abner Creek Academy: (8-0-1): Michael Thompson abstained from voting.

Alicia Crutchlow, Florence Chapel Middle School: (8-0-1): Phil McIntyre abstained from voting.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Julie McMakin
Secretary