

The District Five Board of Trustees met Monday, July 29, 2019 at the District Five Administrative Office at 100 N. Danzler Road, Duncan, SC at 8:00 a.m.

The following members were present:

Mr. Mark Cleveland  
Mrs. Dawn Deck  
Mr. Rick Eitel  
Mrs. Meredith Gergley  
Mr. Phil McIntyre  
Mrs. Julie McMakin  
Mr. Jeff Proper  
Mr. Michael Thompson

1. **Call to Order and Notice to Media:** Mr. Rick Eitel, 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. **Consent Agenda**

- a) **Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was approved as presented.

3. **Discussion Items:**

- a) **November School Board Election Update:** Mr. Eitel informed the Board that Mr. Proper (5-3) and Mr. Cleveland (5-1) had enough petitions certified to be on November's ballot. Mrs. Gergley (5-2) did not have enough qualified signatures. Mr. Thompson (5-3) is not running for re-election. There were three petitions picked up, but not submitted to County Elections. Dr. Gary reported that Henry Laye, Director of Registration and Elections, indicated that the Board would need to appoint someone to fill Mr. Thompson's and Mrs. Gergley's seat.

Mr. Eitel reminded the Board of the process that was used in the past for similar situations. Most recently, Steve Brockman was named by the Board when his seat was open and no petitions were submitted. Prior to that, the Board accepted

applications from interested candidates, held a community forum for them to speak to the Board, and they selected the new Board member. This process was used to name Mrs. Gergley (2017) and Mr. Thompson (2010) to fill unexpired terms.

Mr. Eitel said that the Board would formally discuss the issue and make a final decision in their September meeting. The plan will be implemented in October, prior to the November election.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to move into Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel.

#### **4. Executive Session**

##### **a) Discussion of Employment Matters in Reference to New Hires:**

#### **5. Return to Public Session:**

- a. **Action on items discussed in Executive Session:** In open session, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to approve the personnel changes as of July 29, 2019, to include the naming of Ms. Charlotte Sauls as the assistant principal of Reidville Elementary School.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil McIntyre  
Secretary