

The District Five Board of Trustees met Monday, August 25, 2014, at the District Five Administrative Offices, 100 N. Danzler Road, Duncan, SC at 6:30 p.m.

The following members were present:

Mr. Steve Brockman  
Mr. Bo Corne  
Mr. Rick Eitel  
Mr. Garry Harper  
Mr. Patrick Jarrett  
Mrs. Julie McMakin  
Mr. James Norman  
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. Bo Corne led the opening prayer.
3. **Approval of Minutes – June 23, 2014:** Minutes from the June 23, 2014 meetings were approved as presented.

4. **Action Agenda**

- a. **One Third Grade FTE for Abner Creek Academy:** Dr. Turner informed the board that the current enrollment for the district is up 150 students from this time last year. After examination of enrollment numbers and class count, it was determined that there was a need for an additional third grade classroom at Abner Creek Academy. The administration made a recommendation to the board to hire one full time third grade teacher for Abner Creek Academy.

After questions and discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to approve one third grade FTE for Abner Creek Academy, as presented by the administration.

## 5. Reports

- a. **Procurement Audit:** Mr. Barry Reese, Director of Procurement, presented an update on the district's procurement activities for the 2013-14 school year. Specifically, Mr. Reese briefed the board on eight sole source procurements and four emergency procurements. (See Attachment)
- b. **Minority Business Report:** Mr. Reese also provided specific details about the annual activity update of the district's Minority Business Enterprise Plan. Mr. Reese informed the board that he had presented the report to Superintendent Turner in January, as required by the procurement code. (See Attachment)
- c. **Health & Wellness:** Ms. Tammy Smith, Director of Health Services, provided information about the Body Mass Index study performed during the 2013-14 school year for students in grades 1, 3, and 5. Ms. Smith compared the results of District Five students to those of Spartanburg County as a whole. Ms. Smith reported that the district has worked hard to make sure all schools have made fitness and nutrition a high priority. Included in the presentation were physical activity programs that are offered at each location, available to both students and staff. Coach Debbie Holcombe was also present and shared information with the board about the Fight Club program offered to students at Byrnes High School, and the tremendous success students have seen who have participated in this program. (See Attachments)
- d. **Curriculum and Standards:** Dr. Ashley Atkinson, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and Mrs. Belinda Snow, Director of Elementary Education, presented information pertaining to changes being made in curriculum standards. They also provided a demonstration of the new website being used by the district, Problem Based Learning Project, where all of the curriculum will be housed and can be easily accessed by teachers.
- e. **Testing and Standards:** Dr. Scott Smith, Director of Accountability and Assessment, presented an update of testing assessment changes. His overview provided information on SCPASS, HSAP, SC-ALT, NCSC, GT Identification, NAEP, First Steps, ESOL, MAP, End of Course, and ACT. (See Attachment)
- f. **Maintenance Projects:** Dr. Greg Wood, Assistant Superintendent of Administration and Operations, provided an overview of the many maintenance projects completed over the summer. Included in these projects were water heater and cooling tower replacements, painting and fencing projects, bleacher, playground, flooring, security camera, curbing and sidewalk installation at several locations. Dr. Wood also reported on lighting upgrades within the district. Specifically, Dr. Wood highlighted the lighting retrofit project at Byrnes Freshman Academy that should generate an annual energy savings of \$27,931 at that location.

## 6. Executive Session

- a. **Student Diploma Request Under ACT 155:** A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously (8-0) to go into executive session for the purpose of student diploma requests and personnel recommendations.

In open session, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously (8-0) to grant the petitions of eleven former students who requested to receive a high school diploma due to the passing of ACT 155.

- b. **Personnel:** A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously (8-0) to accept the personnel recommendations as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Thompson  
Secretary