

GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 50
Greenwood, South Carolina

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
April 8, 2019

Board Chair David Trent called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Genesis Education Center and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Board members present were Tony Bowers, Johanna Bishop, Hillary Craigo, Clay Sprouse, Ken Cobb, Claude Wright, Lee Vartanian, and Danielle Fields.

The following were notified of the date, time, place, and agenda of this meeting: *The Index-Journal*, Greenwood Today, Sunny 103.5, News Channel 7, *The Greenville News*, and Channel 4 News. Mr. Aleks Gilbert with *The Index-Journal* attended the meeting.

The *Minutes* from the March 18, 2019 Regular Board meeting were approved as presented without objection.

The *Agenda* was adopted.

Information Items:

Under Superintendent's Report:

- Emerald High School Junior wrestler Noah Moore was recognized for being crowned a State Champion at the 3A Individual State Championship.
- G. Frank Russell Technology Center Students and instructors were recognized for being state winners in the Health Occupations Students of America and SkillsUSA.
- Greenwood High School JROTC students and instructors were recognized for earning top scores in the 2019 Army JROTRC Leadership Bowl.
- Fourth grade students were recognized for speaking at the Hodges Town Council meeting. They voiced their concerns on the school's recent lockouts due to gunshots heard near the school.
- Assistant Superintendent for the Administration Mr. Gerald Witt announced that Spring Break would be April 15th – April 19th.
- The Board was reminded that the Two Days @ The Capitol for our region would be April 10, 2019.
- Trustee Danielle Fields provided an update on the SCSBA Annual Convention that several of the Board attended in February.

Board Chair David Trent updated the Board on the Superintendent Search.

Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Ms. Shirley Boyce provided information from the March 6th and April 3rd early Release Professional Development sessions. Ms. Boyce responded to questions from the Board.

Assistant Superintendent for Business Mr. David Loadholt gave a FY18-19 financial update for District 50. He stated that 68 percent of the budget has been expended as of March 31, 2019. Mr. Loadholt presented information on the FY19 projections and general budget for FY19-20. Mr. Loadholt responded to questions from the Board.

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There were no speakers for Public Forum

Action Items (A):

Trustee Danielle Fields, seconded by Trustee Ken Cobb, made a motion that the Board support the update to the five-year Strategic Plan for 2016-2021. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote.

Trustee Lee Vartanian, seconded by Trustee Hillary Craigo, made a motion to give all the part time, full time, certified, and classified staff a five hundred dollar bonus check on Tuesday, April 9, 2019. The total of all benefits and checks is not to exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Assistant Superintendent for Business Mr. David Loadholt responded to questions from the Board. The motion pass on a 5-0-4 vote. Trustees Johanna Bishop, Ken Cobb, Clay Sprouse, and Danielle Fields abstained from the vote due to spouses and children that work for District 50.

Trustee Ken Cobb, seconded by Trustee Johanna Bishop, made a motion for the Board to go into an Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters (Recommendations and Vacancies), Discussion Regarding the Development of Security, and Contractual Matters (Property). There was no objection to the motion.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:11 p.m.

Action Item (B):

Trustee Tony Bowers, seconded by Trustee Claude Wright, made a motion to approve the Personnel Recommendations and Vacancies on the personnel sheet. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote.

Trustee Lee Vartanian, seconded by Trustee Danielle Fields, made a motion to approve all contracts listed on the 2019-2020 contract worksheet with the exception of numbers: 111, 144, and 254. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote.

Trustee Lee Vartanian, seconded by Trustee Ken Cobb, made a motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the contract for employee #111 be approved. The motion passed on an 8-0-1 vote. Trustee Clay Sprouse abstained from the vote.

Trustee Lee Vartanian, seconded by Trustee Hillary Craigo, made a motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the contract for employee #144 be approved. The motion passed on an 8-0-1 vote. Trustee Danielle Fields abstained from the vote.


Trustee Lee Vartanian, seconded by Trustee Clay Sprouse, made a motion to accept the Superintendent's recommendation that the contract for employee #254 be approved. The motion passed on an 8-0-1 vote. Trustee Ken Cobb abstained from the vote.

Without objection, the meeting adjourned.

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David Trent
Board Chair



Danielle Fields
Board Secretary

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