

**GREENWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 50**  
**Greenwood, South Carolina**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees**  
**May 20, 2019**

Board Chair David Trent called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the gymnasium at Emerald High School and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Board members present were Johanna Bishop, Claude Wright, Lee Vartanian, Clay Sprouse, Hillary Craig, Ken Cobb and Danielle Fields. Trustee Tony Bowers was absent from the meeting.

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. Alek Gilbert with The Index-Journal attended the meeting.

The *Minutes* from the April 8, 2019 Regular Board meeting and the minutes from the May 9, 2019 and May 11, 2019 Called Board meetings were approved as presented without objection.

The *Agenda* was amended to move VII.A. 2019-2020 Budget in Action Items to IV.I. under Information Items. There was no objection to the amendment.

*Information Items:*

*Superintendent's Report:*

Superintendent Dr. Darrell Johnson recognized the following:

- Thirty S.C. Junior Scholars and Duke TIP qualifiers were recognized.
- Forty students were recognized for completing the TWEET on Main Street project.
- Emerald High School Senior Julia Boone received a Certificate of Recognition for being the first ACCELERATE graduate from District 50.
- EHS Senior Julia Boone and GHS Senior Karlie Stone were recognized as scholarship recipients.
- Sixteen GHS students were recognized as 2019 All-State Chorus members.
- Seven Merrywood students were presented Certificates of Achievement for their success at the IT-ology and Regional Science Fair competitions.
- EHS Foreign Language Instructor Mrs. Jessica Sprouse was recognized for her work with Virtual SC.
- EHS Science Instructor Dr. Palmer West was recognized for receiving the 2019 Western Carolinas Award for Excellence in High School Teaching from the American Chemical Society.
- March of Dimes school winners were recognized for their success during the 2019 campaign.
- Fourteen students were recognized for achieving the Seal of Biliteracy.

Superintendent Dr. Darrell Johnson announced the following:

- The June Board Meeting will be Monday, June 25, 2019.
- Adult Education Graduation will be Thursday, May 30, 6:00 p.m. EHS Gym.
- High School Graduation Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, Finis Horne Arena:
  - Emerald High School-9:00 a.m.
  - Greenwood High School-12:30 p.m.

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**Board Chair David Trent provided an update on the Superintendent Search.**

**Director of Secondary Education Dr. Beth Taylor informed the Board of the changes in the graduation ceremonies scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**Board Chair David Trent asked the Board to give him their suggestions for a time and date for a Board Retreat. Mr. Trent responded to suggestions from the Board.**

**Director of Elementary Education Mr. Rex Coates and Director of Secondary Education Dr. Beth Taylor provided information on the Greenwood School District 50 Summer School Programs. Mr. Coates and Dr. Taylor responded to questions from the Board.**

**Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Ms. Christi Loudon reviewed the key dates for the 2019-2020 approved school calendar. Ms. Loudon introduced Director of Testing Dr. Amy Young who provided information on the standardized testing dates and the testing windows for the upcoming school year. Dr. Young responded to questions from the Board.**

**Assistant Superintendent for Administration Mr. Gerald Witt presented the 2019-2020 Student Rights and Responsibilities for first reading. Mr. Witt responded to questions from the Board.**

**Assistant Superintendent for Business Mr. David Loadholt gave a FY19 financial update for the District. He stated that 76 percent of the budget has been expended as of April 30, 2019.**

**Assistant Superintendent for Business Mr. David Loadholt presented a first reading of the 2019-2020 Budget. Trustee Ken Cobb made a motion, seconded by Trustee Danielle Fields, to approve the first reading of the 2019-2020 Budget. The motion passed on an 8-0 vote.**

*There were no speakers for Public Forum*

*Action Items:*

**Trustee Ken Cobb, seconded by Trustee Johanna Bishop, made a motion for the Board to go into an Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters and Discussion of Contractual Matters Regarding the Superintendent Search. The motion passed on an 8-0 vote.**

**The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.**

**The Board returned to Open Session at 9:25 p.m.**


**Trustee Danielle Fields, seconded by Trustee Hillary Craigo, made a motion to approve the Personnel Recommendations and Vacancies on the personnel sheet. The motion passed on an 8-0 vote.**

**The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.**

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**David Trent**  
*Board Chair*



**Danielle Fields**  
*Board Secretary*

June 24, 2019

**Date Approved**

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