

Board Briefs

School District Five of Lexington & Richland Counties

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Synopses of meetings of the Board of Trustees of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties are provided for your information by the Office of Community Services.

January 23, 2012

At the January 23, 2012 school board meeting, the following took place:

- Dr. Stephen Hefner gave an update to his Vision 2015, a detailed presentation regarding his ideas for moving Lexington-Richland Five forward over the next four years. A copy of the fifth update can be [found here](#).
- An update on the cost of the lawsuit brought by Kim Murphy, *Murphy vs. School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties and DHEC*, was provided. As of January 17, 2012, the estimated cost of the lawsuit exceeds \$12.2 million.
- The school board accepted a proposal in the amount of \$97,800 from Derrick, Stubbs & Stith, LLP to conduct audit and procurement services for the school district.
- A presentation on proposed [upgrades and renovations](#) to Dutch Fork High and Irmo High was given by Keith McAlister, director of new design and construction.
- The school board discussed proposed kitchen renovations for Seven Oak Elementary, Leaphart Elementary, CrossRoads Middle, Irmo Middle and Irmo High and roof replacement for Chapin Elementary.
- The school board approved a bid from EDCON Construction in the amount of \$32,595,000 to build a new high school off Broad River Road, in the Spring Hill area. Once the contract is finalized, construction on the high school will begin. The school is expected to open in August 2013 and will be a magnet high school, serving students from across the district. No distinct attendance lines will be drawn for the school. A formal groundbreaking ceremony will be scheduled for the near future.
- The school board discussed revisions to board policy JFAA/JFAB-R “Admission of Resident/Non-Resident Students.”
- The school board discussed revisions and new board policies, IHAD “Science Education;” IHAK “Character Education;” IHAM “Health Education;” IHAN “Driver Training;” IHAO “Environmental Education;” IHAP “Consumer Education;” IHBB “Gifted and Talented Education;” IHBF “Homebound Instruction;” IHCD “Advanced College Placement;” IHCF “Childcare Programs;” IHD “Adult/Community Education;” IIA “Grouping for Instruction;” IIB “Class Size;” IJL “Library/Media Center Materials Selection and Adoption;” IJOA “Field Trips;” IJOA-E(1) “Field Trip Request;” IJOA-E(2) “Field Trip Permission Form – Day Trip;” IJOA-E(3) “Field Trip Permission From-Overnight Trip;” and IJOA-E(4) “Permission to Drive a Private Vehicle on Field Trip.”

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the school board will be Monday, February 13 at 7 p.m. at Lake Murray Elementary. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.