district five
OF LEXINGTON & RICHLAND COUNTIES

Minutes/November 19, 2018

The Board of Trustees of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties met at Oak Pointe Elementary School with the following members present:

Mr. Robert Gantt, Chairman
Ms. Beth Hutchison, Vice Chairman
Mr. Michael Cates, Secretary
Mrs. Nikki Gardner (via telephone)
Mrs. Jan Hammond
Mr. Ken Loveless
Mr. Ed White
Dr. Christina Melton, District Superintendent

The following staff were in attendance:

Mrs. Katrina Goggins, Director, Office of Communications
Mr. Michael Guliano, Chief Instructional Officer
Dr. Michael Harris, Chief Planning and Administrative Officer
Dr. Allison Jacques, Chief Human Resources Officer
Mr. Len Richardson, Chief Finance Officer

The Official Swearing-In took place at 6:00 p.m. with Dr. Christina Melton administering the Oath of Office to Jan Hammond, Ken Loveless and Ed White.

Chairman Gantt called the meeting to order and gave welcoming remarks.

The Invocation was given by Michael Cates, Board of Trustees. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Maddy Smith, fourth grade student at Oak Pointe Elementary School.

The Ceremonial Swearing-In took place with administering the Oath of Office to Jan Hammond and Ken Loveless by Representative Chip Huggins and to Ed White by Robert Gantt.

The Board conducted the Election of Officers.

The Board conducted the School Board Spotlight.

A welcome and brief overview of Oak Pointe Elementary School was given by Kristie Smith, Principal.

During the Superintendent's Report, Len Richardson presented the Monthly Financial Reports (Exhibit B); Dan Neal and Doug Quackenbush presented a report on the new elementary school workshop; and Sara Wheeler presented an update on Magnet.

No one spoke during the public participation.

Dr. Harris presented proposed new board policy JFABF "Students in Foster Care" (Exhibit F), proposed revisions to board policy JH-R "Student Absences and Excuses" (Exhibit G), proposed revisions to board policy JICG "Tobacco Use by Students" (Exhibit H) and proposed revisions to board policy ADC "Tobacco-Free Workplace and Schools" (Exhibit I).

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	CATES	GANTT	GARDNER	HAMMOND	HUTCHISON	LOVELESS	WHITE
1. M. Cates S. Hutchison Approve the agenda	X	X	A	X	X	X	X
2. M. Hammond S. Cates Enter executive session to consider the following : a) selected employment items (Exhibit A)	X	X	A	X	X	X	X
3. Election of Board Officers							
Hutchison nominated Gantt for Chairman seconded by Cates	X	X	X		X		X
Loveless nominated Hammond for Chairman seconded by Hammond				X		X	
Cates nominated Hutchison for Vice Chairman seconded by White	X	X			X		X
Loveless nominated Hammond for Vice Chairman seconded by Hammond			X	X		X	
White nominated Cates for Secretary seconded by Hutchison	X	X	X		X		X
Loveless nominated Hammond for Secretary seconded by Hammond				X		X	
4. M. Hutchison S. Hammond Approve the minutes of the October 15, 2018 board meeting	X	X	AB	X	X	AB	X

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5. M. Hutchison S. Cates Approve the selected employment items (Exhibit A)	X	X	AB	X	X	X	X
6. M. Cates S. Hammond Certify one delegate vote for Robert Gantt, Michael Cates, Ken Loveless, Jan Hammond and Nikki Gardner for the SCSBA 2018 Delegate Assembly and the sixth vote be certified to Mr. Gantt as Board Chairman	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7. M. Cates S. Hutchison Approve first reading of proposed revisions to board policy IC "School Year" (Exhibit D)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
8. M. Cates S. Hutchison Approve first reading of proposed revisions to board policy IHBA "Special Education/Programs for Disabled Students" and new policy IHBA-E "Delegation of Rights to Make Educational Decisions" (Exhibit E)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
9. M. Hutchison S. White Adjourn at 9:23 p.m.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Dear District 5 Family,

This is my last "official" e-mail as a Trustee for Lexington / Richland 5 School Board. It has been an Honor and a pleasure to serve the District 5 family.

When I was first elected, I pledged to establish a Career and Technical Education (CATE) school for the students and teachers of D5. Today, the Center for Advanced Technical Studies is a reality.

I also supported the efforts to pass a bond referendum so the schools in D5 could be renovated and a new Magnet High School was built. Today Spring Hill High School stands as an example to other school districts in South Carolina. In total, 10 schools have been renovated or built.

I could go on and on of the successes I was part, however, the success of District 5 is in the hard work of every employee of District 5. From the District 5 Board to the District 5 Administrations, the Teachers, Support Staff, and to the bus drivers who get up at 5:00 am to start the school day. Every person plays a part in the success of District 5.

I sincerely and wholeheartedly thank each and every District 5 employee. You are the reason we are the Best School District in South Carolina.

Thank You.

Ellen Baumgardner

Attachment 1 is included with the minutes of the 11-19-18 meeting, at the request of Board member Robert Gantt pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §30-4-90(a)(4) and Board Policy BEDG. The Board majority did not approve, disapprove, or otherwise act upon the contents of this attachment.

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THANKS!

1 message

Larry Haltiwanger Sr <lhaltiwa@lexrich5.org> Mon, Nov 19, 2018 at 9:49 AM
To: D5 DO - All Staff <d5-do-all-staff@lex5.k12.sc.us>, D5 Board Members <d5-board-members@lex5.k12.sc.us>

Good Morning All!

I hope all is well with you and your families. I am eternally grateful for the opportunity and privilege to have served on the Board of Trustees for the past four years. It has been a rewarding experience.

My goal was and always will be; to help provide our young people with the best opportunity to become successful and productive citizens. I do not intend to change my views simply because I'm no longer on the board.

We are blessed to live and work in the "BEST" School District in the State of South Carolina and the country. I read an article a few minutes ago that Spring Hill HS is on the list of the Top 100 High Schools in America (#70). CONGRATULATIONS!

The District is in very capable hands, under the leadership of Dr. Melton and her most competent team of wonderful people. In recent days I've had the opportunity to speak with many of you, and I'll encourage each of you again to first of all, respect one another's points of view (especially when you disagree) and remember the oath you've taken to uphold is larger than you are. I maybe sounding like a parent or teacher, but you who know me well, understand. Much success and love!

PEACE and BLESSINGS!
Larry Haltiwanger

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