



Minutes
Board Meeting – May 18, 2020

The Board of Trustees of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties conducted an in-person meeting at Spring Hill High School with the following members present:

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

The following staff members attended virtually via video/phone conference call:

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

A livestream audio link was provided to the public for the meeting.

Chairman Cates called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and offered welcoming remarks.

The Invocation was given by Nikki Gardner, Board of Trustees.

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Christina Melton provided an update on the COVID-19 mandatory closure. Dr. Melton provided an overview of the preparation that was underway for graduation ceremonies during the week of June 1. Dr. Melton celebrated the work that continues to take place throughout the district during this unprecedented closure.

The minutes from the April 27, 2020 board meeting were approved.

Action was taken as necessary or appropriate on matters discussed in Executive Session: a. Update on Legal matters in which the district is involved including: 2019-CP-32-04971, 2020-CP-40-00161, 2020-CP-40-02141; briefing on possible potential claims; b. Discussion of employment matter regarding employee grievance (*Exhibit A*); c. Selected employment items (*Exhibit B*) (Action); d. Selected employment items (*Exhibit C*) (Information Only).

Modifications of board policy BEDH "Public Participation at Meetings" was presented for approval.

A Continuing Resolution for Operating Budget FY2021 was presented for approval (*Exhibit D*).

Proposed revisions to board policy GCQC/GCQD "Resignation of Instructional Staff/Administrative Staff" (*Exhibit E*) was presented for approval.

A Medicaid Billing Extension Request (*Exhibit F*) was presented for approval.

A Banking Services Extension Request (*Exhibit G*) was presented for approval.

A request to name the Irmo High School Track and Field (*Exhibit H*) after the late Coach Mike Moore was presented for approval.

Proposed revisions to board policy IHBF "Homebound Instruction" (*Exhibit I*) were presented for discussion/first reading.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Record of Voting

 School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties Meeting of May 18, 2020			Cates	Gantt	Gardner	Hammond	Hutchison	Loveless	White
1.	M. Hutchison	S. Hammond	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Approve the agenda								
2.	M. Hutchison	S. Hammond	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enter executive session to consider the following:								
	a. Update on Legal matters in which the district is involved including: 2019-CP-32-04971, 2020-CP-40-00161, 2020-CP-40-02141; briefing on possible potential claims;								
	b. Discussion of employment matter regarding employee grievance (<i>Exhibit A</i>);								
	c. Selected employment items (<i>Exhibit B</i>) (Action);								
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3. M. -- S. -- <i>(presumptive approval of minutes as presented)</i> Approve the minutes of the April 27, 2020 board meeting	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4. M. Hutchison S. Gardner In regards to the employee grievance - Exhibit A: I move that we deny the request that we hear an employee grievance. Because the grievance illustrates potential questions about policy and process which should be considered, I also move that the Administration evaluate the statements allegedly made and attempt to ascertain the source (if any) of the information discussed and report back to the Board in Executive Session during a July 2020 Board Meeting. If policies and/or procedures need to be addressed they should be placed on a public agenda as soon thereafter as practical.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
5. M. Hutchison S. Hammond Approve selected employment items shown in Exhibit B	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
6. M. Cates S. Gardner Motion to Modify Policy BEDH "Public Participation at Meetings" I move the following: That we reinstate policy BEDH in a format designed to address the unique situation and circumstances imposed by the limitations of online meetings, the specifics will be as follows: The District will establish the following guidelines 1. Members of the public can submit comments and/or questions by calling a district phone number and leaving a recording of their comments or questions. 2. Only submissions made at the designated times (between the time that the Board agenda is posted and 12:00 PM on the date of the board meeting) will be played at the Board meeting. 3. The submissions will be limited to a length of 2400KB, which approximates a three-minute recording. This	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

recording length is per the limitations of our phone service provider. 4. An automated message will provide members of the public with brief guidelines for submitting public participation comments and/or questions. 5. Each submitter must provide his or her name. 6. The submission may be on an agenda topic or a non-agenda topic. 7. Each submitter will be allowed one submission per meeting. 8. The District will treat each submission as if it were given during public participation and follow policy BEDH in addressing the submissions.							
7. M. Loveless S. Hammond Amended Motion to Modify Policy BEDH "Public Participation at Meetings": Only submissions made at the designated times (between the time that the Board agenda is posted and up to 30 minutes before the board meeting) will be played at the Board meeting.	N	N	N	N	N	X	N
8. M. Hutchison S. Hammond Approve Continuing Resolution for Operating Budget FY2021 as shown in Exhibit D	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
9. M. Hutchison S. Gantt Approve proposed revisions to board policy GCQC/GCQD "Resignation of Instructional Staff/Administrative Staff" as shown in Exhibit E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10. M. Hutchison S. Gantt Approve Medicaid Billing Extension Request as shown in Exhibit F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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11. M. Hammond S. Gardner Approve Banking Services Extension Request as shown in Exhibit G	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
12. M. Hammond S. Loveless Approve the request to name the Irmo High School Track and Field after the late Coach Mike Moore as shown in Exhibit H	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
13. M. Gardner S. Hammond Adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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