Minutes
Board Meeting – July 13, 2020

The Board of Trustees of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties conducted an in-person meeting at The Center for Advanced Technical Studies with the following members present:

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

The following staff members attended in person or 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 video link was provided to the public for the meeting.

During the July 13, 2020 school board meeting the following took place:

Chairman Cates called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and offered welcoming remarks.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were given by Chairman Cates.

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Christina Melton highlighted recent district events and accolades to include: Adult Education's virtual graduation; The Center for Advanced Technical Studies teacher, Joe Chapman, named SkillsUSA National Advisor of the Year; and Spring Hill High School Teacher, Sarah Gams, named the 2021 South Carolina Teacher of the Year. In addition, an update on the progress and processes of growth forecasting and redistricting was provided by Milone and MacBroom, Inc. Finally, an AccelerateED Committee update was provided which highlighted the progress of the District's reentry plan for the 2020-2021 school year.

The minutes from the June 15, 2020 board meeting were approved.

During public participation, Kim Murphy spoke regarding FOIA, budget and transparency. The following attendees spoke regarding school reentry and concerns related to the COVID-19 mandated closure: James Hugh Ryan, Rebecca Hines, Daniel Aaron Ashley, Cynthia Hope Clark, Dr. Mike Nunnery, and Stacy Reinsel.

ACTION AGENDA

Action was taken as necessary or appropriate on matters discussed in Executive Session: a. Receipt of legal advice regarding Board Policy KLGA; b. Selected employment items (Exhibit A) (Action); c. Selected employment items (Exhibit B)(Information Only).

First reading of the FY2020-21 General Fund Budget was presented by Len Richardson (Exhibit C).

DISCUSSION AGENDA

The meeting was adjourned at 10:52 p.m.

The next regular scheduled board meeting will be held on August 10, 2020 at a location to be determined.

Record of Voting

School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties

Meeting of July 13, 2020

	Cates	Gantt	Gardner	Hammond	Hutchison	Loveless	White
1. M. Loveless S. Hutchison Approve the agenda and enter Executive Session to consider #3, items a, b, and c.	X	A	X	A	X	X	A
2. M. White S. Gardner Approve the minutes of the June 15, 2020 board meeting	X	X	N	N	X	N	X
3. M. Loveless S. -- *(Alternative Motion ruled out of order by Chairman Cates)* Alternative motion to add to the amendment submitted by Mr. White herewith to include the entire letter of March 24, 2020 from me to Dr. Melton referencing construction at Elementary School #13 to include the 32 attachments shown in my letter.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	Cates	Gantt	Gardner	Hammond	Hutchison	Loveless	White
4. M. Gardner S. Hammond Action as necessary or appropriate on matters discussed in Executive Session, selected employment items, Exhibit A-Action and selected employment items, Exhibit B-Information Only.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
5. M. Gardner S. Hammond Approve first reading FY 2020-21 General Fund Budget as presented and shown in Exhibit C.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
6. M. Hutchison S. Gardner Adjourn the meeting at 10:52 p.m.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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