Minutes
Board Meeting – June 28, 2021

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

Mrs. Rebecca Blackburn Hines
Mrs. Nikki Gardner, Secretary
Mrs. Jan Hammond, Chair
Mr. Matt Hogan
Mrs. Catherine Huddle
Mr. Ken Loveless, Vice Chair
Mr. Ed White *(Absent)*
Dr. Christina Melton, District Superintendent *(Absent)*

The following staff members attended:

Mr. Todd Bedenbaugh, Executive Director of Operations
Mrs. Katrina Goggins, Director, Office of Communications
Mr. Michael Guliano, Chief Instructional Officer
Dr. Michael Harris, Chief Planning and Administrative Officer
Mrs. Marty Rawls, Chief Finance Officer
Dr. Tamara Turner, Chief Human Resources Officer

A livestream video link was provided to the public as a viewing option for the meeting.

Mrs. Hammond called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m. and offered welcoming remarks. Board Member, Rebecca Blackburn Hines, led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the June 14, 2021 board meeting and the June 22, 2021 special-called meeting were approved.

During public participation: Ali Hendrick, Jessica Bower and Kelly Brautigam spoke on behalf of Teacher Forum to acknowledge Dr. Melton's service; and, Liesha Huffstetler spoke regarding Ed White's statement to the press.

Action Agenda

- Action as Necessary or Appropriate on Matters Discussed in Executive Session
- Discussion and Action Regarding Censure of Board Member Ed White
- Textbook Adoptions 2021-2022 Recommendations

Discussion Agenda

- Monthly Financial Reports
- Status Update on Temporary / Substitute Services Contract
- Discussion Regarding Parents and Students Safety Concerns of Students Across the District

Information Only

- No items

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Record of Voting

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Meeting of June 28, 2021

	Blackburn Hines	Gardner	Hammond	Hogan	Huddle	Loveless	White
1. M. Huddle S. Gardner Approve the agenda	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
2. M. Loveless S. Huddle Enter Executive Session to consider the following: a. Selected employment items (Exhibit A) (Action) b. Selected employment items (Exhibit B) (Information Only) c. Kelly Services - Amendment to Adopt and Ratify for 2020-2021 (Exhibit C)	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
3. M. Loveless S. Hogan I make the motion that we approve the minutes of the June 14, 2021 board meeting.	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
4. M. Loveless S. Gardner I make the motion that we approve the minutes of the June 22, 2021 special-called board meeting.	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
5. M. Loveless S. Hogan I move that we approve the selected employment items as discussed in Executive Session shown under Exhibit A (Action).	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
6. M. Huddle S. Gardner Based upon the recommendation of the administration, I move that we ratify the June 21, 2021 Amendment to the contract with Kelly Services.	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
7. M. Hammond S. Huddle Censure of Ed White: Board Policy BE states, "Robert's Rules of Order will govern all matters not covered by the rules of the board". Per chapter 72 of Robert's Rules of Order, "A deliberative assembly has the inherent right to make and enforce its own laws and punish an offender". Further, SC Law 59-19-60, as interpreted by our Attorney General, provides school boards the ability to censure a trustee. As such, I move that we censure trustee Ed White for violation of board policies BCA "Board Member Code of Ethics", BEC "Executive Session", and BEDI "News Media Services". In addition, Mr. White converted the Work Product of another attorney to his personal use and exposed Attorney-Client Privileged Information without the consent of the superintendent or the board. Further,	N	X	X	N	X	X	A

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Mr. White made false statements against board members knowing full well those board members could not respond without breaching contracts and violating board policies. Mr. White has caused irreparable harm to the school district and its superintendent. While we accept Mr. White's resignation and wish to move on, if we don't acknowledge and censure a board member who disregards the trust placed in them by our superintendent, staff, students, and fellow board members, future boards will not be trusted by our community and other board members will be free to similarly disregard board policies, including disclosing other confidential personnel matters.							
8. M. Gardner S. Huddle I move that we approve the textbook recommendations as presented and shown in Exhibit E.	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
9. M. Hogan S. Huddle Adjourn at 7:57 p.m.	X	X	X	X	X	X	A

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