



Minutes/September 27, 2021

The Board of Trustees of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties met at Irmo High School 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  
Dr. Akil Ross, Interim Superintendent

The following staff were in attendance:

Mr. Todd Bedenbaugh, Executive Director of Operations  
Dr. Michael Harris, Chief Planning and Administrative Officer  
Mrs. Anna Miller, Chief of Academics and Administration  
Mrs. Marty Rawls, Chief Finance Officer  
Mrs. Amanda Taylor, Director of Communications

A livestream video link was provided to the public as a viewing option for the September 27, 2021, board meeting.

Chair Hammond called the meeting to order and gave welcoming remarks. The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Ken Loveless, vice-chair, board of trustees.

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Ross presented updates on: (1) Equity in Facilities Plan, (2) COVID-19, and (3) How are the children? (Quarantine and Social and Emotional Health).

During the public participation, Rosie Robinson, Christine Hampton, Sarah Ostergaard, Lisa Boulware and Rose St. Louis spoke regarding Irmo High School; Michael Sugar spoke regarding the district; Lill Mood spoke regarding voter information; and Shanna Do spoke regarding COVID-19.

Todd Bedenbaugh gave a presentation on Proposed Funding for 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 (Exhibit E)

The Board presented for discussion and first reading proposed revisions to board policies FB "Facilities Planning" (Exhibit F) and DI/DIE "Fiscal Accounting Audits" (Exhibit G)

Ten Day Enrollment Report was presented for information (Exhibit H).

Reminder about District 5 Foundation's Annual Evening for Education, Saluda Shoals Park – River Center, Thursday, October 7, 2021, 6:00 p.m. was presented for information.

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1.	M. Loveless  Approve the agenda.	S. Huddle	X	X	X	X	X	
2.	M. Huddle  Enter executive session to consider the following: a.) selected employment items (Exhibit A) (Action); b.) selected employment items (Exhibit B) (Information Only); c.) receipt of legal advice regarding construction matter.	S. Loveless	X	X	X	X	X	
3.	M. Hogan  Approve the minutes of the September 13, 2021 board meeting.	S. Huddle	X	X	X	X	X	
4.	M. Loveless  Approve the minutes of the September 21, 2021 special-called board meeting.	S. Huddle	X	X	X	X	X	
5.	M. Huddle  I move that we approve the selected employment items (Exhibit A).	S. Blackburn Hines	X	X	X	X	X	
6.	M. Loveless  I move that unencumbered Capital Improvement funds from prior years be used to fund \$3,545,000.00 Capital Projects shown in (Exhibit C).	S. Huddle	X	X	X	X	X	
	M. Blackburn Hines  I make the motion that we reallocate the unused funding from the Irmo High School science labs and District Office print shop renovations from the 2021 capital approved	S. Gardner	X	X	X	X	X	

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budget to be redistributed for the removal of unsafe portables and the conversion of maintenance facilities which totals \$1,100,000.00 (Exhibit C).							
7. M. Loveless                      S. Huddle  I make the motion that second reading approval be given to the following amendments to Policy FEC dated 2/14: 1) Members of the Board of Trustees be barred from voting or ad hoc membership on professional selection committees, 2) Candidates for voting or ad hoc membership of the selection committees be vetted by the superintendent to determine actual or apparent conflicts of interest and if conflicts of interest exist, that candidates must withdraw from consideration, and 3) Voting or ad hoc members of selection committees be required to sign and adhere to the district's Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest Policy (Exhibit D).	X	X	X	X	X	X	
8. M. Gardner                      S. Huddle  I would like to make a motion to approve Discussion and First Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy FB "Facilities Planning" (Exhibit F).	X	X	X	X	X	X	
9. M. Loveless                      S. Huddle  I make the motion that first reading approval be given to the following amendment to Board Policy DI/DIE: On any project greater than \$5,000,000.00 in total value, it is the policy to use the services of a qualified Architect or Professional Engineer not associated in any way with the district personnel or design/construction/inspection teams or consultants, to close out and certify that project construction meets the specifications of the subject project. This project Close Out Professional shall be separate, in addition to and independent in duties from any project Resident Engineer or Construction Project	X	X	X	X	X	X	

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