



Minutes/January 10, 2022

The Board of Trustees of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties met at the Center for Advanced Technical Studies with the following members present:

Mrs. Nikki Gardner, Secretary
Mrs. Jan Hammond, Chair
Mr. Matt Hogan
Mrs. Catherine Huddle
Mr. Ken Loveless, Vice Chair
Mrs. Tifani Moore
Dr. Akil Ross, Interim Superintendent

The following staff were in attendance:

Mr. Todd Bedenbaugh, Executive Director of Operations
Dr. Michael Harris, Chief Student Services and Planning Officer
Mrs. Anna Miller, Chief of Academics and Administration
Mrs. Marty Rawls, Chief Finance Officer
Mrs. Amanda Taylor, Director of Communications
Dr. Tamara Turner, Chief Human Resources Officer

A livestream video link was provided to the public as a viewing option for the January 10, 2022, board meeting.

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

The Board conducted the School Board Spotlight.

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Ross presented updates on Mission of District Five Schools, Whole Child Continuum, New Educator Retention Incentive, and 1st Jobs Initiative. Also, during the Superintendent's Report, Mr. Vann Holden presented an update on the COVID-19 Dashboard; and Mrs. Kelly Brown presented on School-Based Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management.

During the public participation, Sarah Ostergaard and Laken Robinson spoke regarding Irmo High School.

The Board presented for discussion:

- Proposed 2022-2023 School Year Calendar (Exhibit F).
- Adding a Fine Arts Center to the Facilities Master Plan (Exhibit G).
- Prioritizing District Office Renovation/Replacement (Exhibit H).

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1. M. Gardner S. Moore Approve the agenda							
2. M. Gardner S. Hogan I would like to make a motion to amend the agenda by placing items 20 and 21 (Discussion of Revisions to Board Policies BCA/BCB) on the next board meeting agenda following the planned Board Retreat.	A	X	X	X	A	X	X
3. Vote on the original motion	A	X	X	X	A	X	X
4. M. Loveless S. Hogan I make the motion that we enter executive session to consider the following: a.) Selected employment items (<i>Exhibit A</i>) (Action); b.) Selected employment items (<i>Exhibit B</i>) (Information Only); c.) Discussion of employment matter regarding Superintendent; d.) Discussion of possible procurement of real estate (<i>Exhibit C</i>); e.) Receipt of legal advice on Latent Roof Defects (<i>Exhibit D</i>).	A	X	X	X	A	X	X
5. M. Huddle S. Gardner I move that we adopt the resolution regarding the South Carolina Department of Health (DHEC)'s Exclusions for COVID Exposure, this day, Monday, January 10. The resolution can be found on the District's website under presentations for the January 10, 2022 Board Meeting.	A	X	X	X	X	N	N

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6. M. Huddle S. Hogan I move that we approve the minutes of the December 13, 2021 board meeting.	A	X	X	X	X	X	X
7. M. Loveless S. Gardner I make the motion that we approve the selected employment items listed under Exhibit A for action.	A	X	X	X	X	X	X
8. M. Loveless S. Hogan I move that we authorize the Board Chair to execute an employment contract with Dr. Akil E. Ross as Superintendent of the School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties, effective February 1, 2022, said contract having been prepared by the District's attorney and reviewed by all members of the Board of Trustees, which provides for a term of employment through June 30, 2025, at an annual salary of \$210,000.00.	A	X	X	X	X	X	X
9. M. Gardner S. Huddle I move that we terminate, by mutual agreement of the parties, the agreement for Interim Superintendent services the District has with HeartEd, LLC, effective, January 31, 2022.	A	X	X	X	X	X	X

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10. M. Loveless S. Huddle I would like to make a motion that we give approval to the 2021-2022 General Fund Budget Amendment as shown in Exhibit E.	A	X	X	X	X	X	X
11. M. Gardner S. Huddle I move that we have discussion and first reading on the proposed revisions to Board Policy DJ "Purchasing" as shown in Exhibit I.	A	X	X	X	X	X	X
12. M. Gardner S. Loveless I move that we have discussion and first reading on the proposed revisions to Board Policy FEE "Site Acquisition" as shown in Exhibit J.	A	X	X	X	X	X	X
13. M. Huddle S. Gardner I move that we approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to Board Policy DI/DIE "Fiscal Accounting/Audit (Exhibit K).	A	X	X	X	X	X	X
14. M. Hogan S. Moore Adjourn at 7:52 p.m.	A	X	X	X	X	X	X

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