

**CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
BOARD MEETING**

**June 13, 2016**

The Cherokee County School District Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, June 13, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Board Room at the District Administrative Office. Board members present were Chair Ms. Cheryll Smith, Vice Chair Mr. Johnny Sarratt, Jr., Secretary Dr. Mark Nix, Mr. Barry Bailey, Mr. Billy Blackwell, Mrs. Elaine Fowler, Mr. Ron Garner, Mrs. Robin Harper, and Mr. Tracy Moore. Administrators present were Superintendent Dr. Quincie L. Moore, Chief Operations Officer for Administrative Services Mr. Joe Walker, Chief Academic Officer for Teaching and Learning Ms. Kim Bagwell, Director of Finance Mr. Steve Bratton, and Director of Human Resources Dr. Carl Carpenter. News media present was Mr. Scott Powell of the Gaffney Ledger and Mr. Zach Fox of the Spartanburg Herald.

In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, Section 30-40-80(d), as amended, the following have been notified of the time, date, and agenda of this meeting: The Cherokee Chronicle, The Gaffney Ledger, The Shelby Star, The Spartanburg Herald-Journal, Radio Stations WZZQ-AM and WFGN, WSPA-TV, WYFF-TV, and WSOC-TV.

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mr. Sarratt, Jr. led the opening invocation.

Approval of the Board Agenda was the next item on the agenda. **Mrs. Harper made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Sarratt, Jr. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Approval of Board Minutes dated May 9, 2016 was the next item on the agenda. **Mr. Sarratt, Jr. made the motion to approve the minutes for the Board meeting dated May 9, 2016, seconded by Dr. Nix. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Approval of Board Minutes dated May 23, 2016 was the next item on the agenda. **Mr. Blackwell made the motion to approve the minutes for the Board meeting dated May 23, 2016, seconded by Mrs. Harper. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Approval of Board Minutes dated May 24, 2016 was the next item on the agenda. **Dr. Nix made the motion to approve the minutes for the Board meeting dated May 24, 2016, seconded by Mrs. Harper. Mr. Sarratt, Jr. abstained from voting due to his absence from the May 24, 2016 meeting. Trustees voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Blackwell, Mrs. Fowler, Dr. Nix, Ms. Smith, Mr. Garner, Mrs. Harper and Mr. Moore. The motion did pass with a majority vote.**

Honors/Accomplishments/Commendations was the next item on the agenda and the following were recognized at the meeting:

- **Winthrop Think College Fall 2016** – Matthew Gardner – Gaffney High School

Update on Building Program was next on the agenda. Mr. John Bassett, Project Coordinator of M.B. Kahn, presented the June 2016 Monthly Progress Report on the building program projects and provided numerous photographs of the current renovations. Ms. Donza Madison, McMillian Pazdan Smith, presented the Trustees with visuals illustrating potential security fencing options for our existing schools. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**

Report from Maintenance, Property, and Grounds Committee was the next item on the agenda. Committee Chair, Mr. Ron Garner, provided the Trustees with an overview of the May 16, 2016, meeting and the interviews held for the Cherokee County School District Clerk of the Works position. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**

FY 2016-2017 General Fund Budget was the next item on the agenda. Mr. Steve Bratton, Director of Finance, provided the Trustees with an overview of the General Fund Budget Memorandum that was included in the June Board packet and reviewed revenues, expenditures, and other considerations, along with a state budget update. The Trustees had an open discussion on the budget options before making a final decision.

**Mr. Bailey made the motion to approve General Fund Budget without a tax increase, Option One, seconded by Mrs. Harper. Those voting in favor of the motion: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Blackwell, Mrs. Fowler, Dr. Nix, Ms. Smith, Mrs. Harper and Mr. Moore. Those opposed: Mr. Sarratt, Jr. and Mr. Garner. The motion did pass with a majority vote.**

**Mr. Garner made the motion that the Board members decrease their yearly compensation (salary and fringe) by \$1,000 or 20%, from \$5,000 to \$4,000, seconded by Mr. Moore. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Board Policy Revisions was the next item on the agenda:

Policy GBEB: Staff Conduct (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) was the next item on the agenda. **Mr. Garner made the motion to approve Policy GBEB: Staff Conduct (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading), seconded by Dr. Nix. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Policy GDQD: Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Classified Staff (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) was the next item on the agenda. **Dr. Nix made the motion to approve Policy GDQD: Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of Classified Staff (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading), seconded by Mrs. Fowler. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Policy IKA: Grading/Assessment Systems (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) was the next item on the agenda. **Mrs. Harper made the motion to approve Policy IKA: Grading/Assessment Systems (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading), seconded by Mr. Blackwell. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Executive Session – for Personnel Matters for the purpose of discussing the employment, discipline or release of an employee or employees of the District was the next item on the agenda. Ms. Smith called for a motion to go into Executive Session. **Mrs. Harper made a motion that the Board enter into Executive Session for Personnel Matters for the purpose of discussing the employment, discipline or release of an employee or employees of the District, seconded by Dr. Nix. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.** The Executive Session began at 8:40 PM and ended at 9:15 PM. Ms. Smith said the Board had been in Executive Session for Personnel Matters for the purpose of discussing the employment, discipline or release of an employee or employees of the District. **Mr. Moore made the motion to return to regular session, seconded by Mrs. Fowler. Trustees voted unanimously for the motion.**

Action as needed from Executive Session was the next item on the agenda. Ms. Smith said that no action was needed from Executive Session.

Financial update was the next item under the Superintendent's Report. Mr. Steve Bratton, Director of Finance, provided trustees with a financial update. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**



Personnel Recommendations was the next item under the Superintendent's Report. Ms. Smith called for a motion to approve the Personnel Recommendations. **Mr. Sarratt, Jr. made a motion that the Board accept the Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations, seconded by Mr. Blackwell. Those voting in favor of this motion: Mr. Bailey, Mr. Blackwell, Mrs. Fowler, Dr. Nix, Ms. Smith, Mr. Sarratt, Jr., Mrs. Harper, and Mr. Moore. Those opposed to the motion: Mr. Garner. The motion did pass with a majority vote.**

2015 Body Mass Index (BMI) Report was the next item on the agenda. Mrs. Bessie Westmoreland, Director of Special Services, presented a PowerPoint Presentation to the Board regarding the Body Mass Index Report for the District. **This information was presented for information only. No action was necessary.**

Instructional Spotlight – Transform, S.C. Initiative was the next item under the Superintendent's Report. Ms. Bagwell, Chief Academic Officer, presented the Trustees the history of the TransformSC initiative and how valuable it is to the Cherokee County School District. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**

Report to the People was the next item under the Superintendent's Report. Dr. Moore gave an overview of the reports that go home to the parents and the requirements for our district. **This was presented for information only. No action was necessary.**

2016-2017 Board Meeting Dates was the next item under the Superintendent's Report. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**

Board Newsletter was the next item under the Superintendent's Report. Dr. Moore provided the newsletter to each Trustee that contained valuable Board information for their review. **This was presented for information only; no action was necessary.**

Announcements was the next item on the agenda. Dr. Moore reviewed the June announcements handout of upcoming events and meeting dates. **This item was received for information only; no action was taken.**

Other Matters was the next item on the agenda.

Mr. Bailey shared his appreciation for what everyone has done this school year and added that everyone enjoy the summer break.

Mr. Blackwell also shared his appreciation for everyone's hard work this school year and wished everyone a good summer break.

Mrs. Fowler quoted Ken Robinson on not being able to afford failure. She shared her excitement on all of the happenings in the district, including the impact of the Talk to Me initiative.

Dr. Nix shared the sentiments of his fellow Board members and wished everyone well for the summer.

Mr. Moore echoed the well wishes from his fellow Trustees and stated that everyone enjoy their summer break.

Mrs. Harper shared her appreciation to everyone for doing what they do for the district and congratulated the Curriculum and Instruction for their work on the TransformSC opportunity.

Mr. Garner stated for everyone to enjoy their summer.

Mr. Sarratt, Jr. shared the sentiments of the fellow board members and wished everyone a good summer break.

Ms. Smith echoed the previous comments and wished everyone a safe summer.

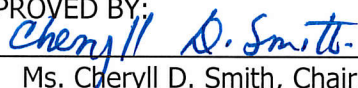
The meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.



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Dr. Mark K. Nix, Secretary

APPROVED BY:



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Ms. Cheryl D. Smith, Chairman