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## Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Monday, March 25, 2019

6:00 p.m. - Central Office

### **I. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda**

The Rock Hill School District Three Board of Trustees met this date at 6:00 p.m. with members present as follows: *Windy Cole, Mildred Douglas, Brent Faulkenberry, Terry Hutchinson, Helena Miller, Robin Owens, and Ann Reid.*

Chairman Miller opened the meeting and Heath Hudson, an eighth grader at Sullivan Middle School led in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Miller stated that the local news media had been notified of the agenda for this meeting, in writing, on Friday, March 22, 2019.

A motion was made by Windy Cole, seconded by Terry Hutchinson, to approve the agenda. The agenda was unanimously approved as presented, 7-0.

### **II. Recognitions**

#### **A. Recognition of Jack Hyatt, International Academic Olympiad Competitor**

Jack Hyatt, one of our Accelerate students at South Pointe High School, recently represented the Governor's School for Math and Science on the Computer Science team in the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual International Academic Olympiad. Jack traveled to Kazakhstan with other Governor's School Students from across the state to compete from January 9-15. Jack was part of the first American team to ever participate in this competition. We congratulate Jack on this prestigious honor and his new international academic experience.

#### **B. Recognition of Noah Overcash, U.S. Presidential Scholar**

Noah Overcash, a senior at South Pointe High School, was recently awarded the U.S. Presidential Scholar Award. The White House Commission on Presidential Scholars selects scholars annually based on their academic success, artistic excellence, essays, school evaluations and transcripts, as well as evidence of community service, leadership and demonstrated commitment to high ideals. Noah has earned additional fame for earning the highest possible composite score on the ACT – a score of 36. Only around two-tenths of 1 percent of students who take the ACT earn a top score. In the U.S. high school graduating class of 2018, only 2,760 out of more than 2 million graduates who took the ACT earned a top composite score of 36. We congratulate Noah on this prestigious honor and strong academic work.

#### **C. Recognition of Dutchman Creek Middle School Junior Thespian Troupe**

In February, students from the Dutchman Creek Middle School Junior Thespian Troupe won national awards and earned recognition at the 2019 National Junior Theater Festival West in Sacramento, California. Tonight, we recognize the following students: *Savannah McCart, Carmen Sanders, Christian Griffin, Gabriella Daniels, and Maya Reed.* Mrs. Elizabeth Klipa,

Theater Arts Director at Dutchman Creek Middle School, sponsored the troupe and the winning students.

#### **D. Recognition of HOSA Leadership Competition Winners**

Congratulations to our Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) students and staff on a very successful trip to Charleston, South Carolina, for the 2019 HOSA State Leadership Competition that took place March 6-8. The Chapter placed third for the National Service Project and individual members achieved top five rankings. Tonight, we recognize the following individual state award winners: *Katelyn Jackson, Sydney Johnson, Gracie Ramsey, Mallory Stanley, Giselle Rubio, Joslyn Maietta, Catie Smith and Darvae Williams*. Our Health Science instructors are: *Mindy Haney, Lisa Robertson, Brian Smith, Cheneir Neely, Donna Tinkler, Laurel George, and Laura Wilson*.

#### **E. Recognition of Individual Wrestling State Champions**

Congratulations to student-athletes at South Pointe High School who claimed South Carolina High School League individual state championships on February 23 at Anderson Civic Center. Freshman Spencer Cox defeated James Levy of Hilton Head by an 8-5 decision at 106-weight class and junior Isaac Ekanem defeated Miles Scott by pinfall. This is the first individual state championship for both Stallions. South Pointe is coached by Eddie Cook.

### **III. Citizen Participation - None**

#### **IV. Consent Action Agenda**

On a motion by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Mildred Douglas, the following topics on the consent action agenda were unanimously approved, 7-0: the minutes of the February 11 work session; the minutes of the February 25 business meeting; and, the personnel recommendations as submitted by the administration.

#### **V. Action Agenda**

##### **A. Approval to Eliminate Policy DID – Inventories**

Due to combining Policy **DID – Inventories** into Policy **ED/DID – Materials and Equipment Inventories Management**, the team recommends eliminating the current policy **DID**.

A motion was made by Brent Faulkenberry, seconded by Terry Hutchinson, to eliminate Policy **DID – Inventories**. This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

##### **B-E. Approval of Section “E” Policies – 2<sup>nd</sup> read**

A motion was made by Mildred Douglas, seconded by Windy Cole, to approve the following policies for 2<sup>nd</sup> and final read:

**\*Policy ED, ED-R, ED-R -E(1),(2) – Materials & Equipment Inventories Management**

**\*Policy EDE – Resource Conservation/Waste Management & Recycling**

**\*Policy EEAG – Student Transportation in Private Vehicles**

**\*Policy EFE, EFE-R, EFE-R -E(1),(2),(3) – Competitive Food Sales/Vending Machines**

This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

**F. Approval of Policy FB – *Facilities Planning* – 1<sup>st</sup> read**

A motion was made by Robin Owens, seconded by Ann Reid, to approve Policy **FB** – *Facilities Planning* for 1<sup>st</sup> read. This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

**G. Approval of Policy BE – *School Board Meetings* – 1<sup>st</sup> read**

A motion was made by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Windy Cole, to approve Policy **BE** – *School Board Meetings* for 1<sup>st</sup> read. This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

**H. Approval of Policy KF, KF-R – *Community Use of District Facilities* – 1<sup>st</sup> read**

A motion was made by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Windy Cole, to approve Policy **KF** and Administrative Rule **KF-R** – *Community Use of District Facilities* for 1<sup>st</sup> read.

During discussion a few board members expressed concerns with some of the changes; and, other minor edits were suggested.

A motion was then made by Windy Cole, seconded by Brent Faulkenberry, to approve Policy **KF** and Administrative Rule **KF-R** – *Community Use of District Facilities* “**with revisions as discussed**” for 1<sup>st</sup> read.

This motion passed, 6-1, with Mrs. Douglas voting against.

**VI. Communications –None**

**VII. Report of the Superintendent**

**A. Announcements**

Superintendent Cook made the following announcements:

- Safety and Security is the number one priority for our students, staff, and families. As a follow-up and continuation of our School Safety Summit held in November and January, we look forward to hosting our third summit, Tuesday, March 26 from 6:30-8:00p.m. at the Central Office in partnership with our law enforcement partners the Rock Hill Police Department and York County Sheriff’s Office. We look forward to sharing feedback from our first summit and continuing the dialogue to seek solutions to help keep our schools safe.
- From March 31 through April 3, we will have visitors in our schools as part of the AdvancED accreditation renewal process for our district. In preparation for the visit, each of our schools and district teams have compiled resources and artifacts to demonstrate continuous improvement in areas of leadership capacity, learning capacity, and resource capacity.
- District leaders hosted the seventh Teacher Listen and Learn informational session for teachers from across the district on Friday, February 22. This series of meetings continues to provide a rich opportunity to engage in dialogue with teachers about celebrations, issues and concerns for our school district. To view detailed responses to questions and concerns from past Teacher Listen and Learn sessions, you are invited to visit [www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/tll](http://www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/tll).
- On Wednesday, May 8 at 6pm at the Central Office, our district will host the first-ever district-wide Career Signing Day. This event will recognize our graduating seniors who are entering into the workforce in a position they prepared for during their high school pathway of study. Similar to an athletic signing day, we will invite the student and their

future employer for a ceremony recognizing the commitment made between the student and the employer.

- As a reminder, the district will be closed April 15-19, 2019 for Spring Break.
- As a reminder, the district will be in session on Monday, April 22. This is the third inclement weather make-up day on our schedule.
- You are encouraged to visit the district's capital building program, "Build on the Rock," website – [www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/BuildOnTheRock](http://www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/BuildOnTheRock) - for more information. This website provides status updates on active and planned construction projects in the district. On the page, viewers can see project descriptions, before and after photographs, and construction timelines.
- The School Board will next meet on Monday, April 8 for a work session. The meeting will begin at 4pm. Our next business meeting will be Monday, April 22 at 6pm in the Central Office. Meetings are streamed on our website and are available for viewing on-demand immediately following each broadcast. We invite our community to watch meetings live on our Facebook broadcasts at Facebook.com/RockHillSchools.

#### **VIII. Review of School Board Work Session**

Chairman Miller reviewed, for the viewing audience, the topics discussed at the March 11 work session.

#### **IX. Other and Future Business**

The board discussed other and future business.

#### **X. Executive Session**

A motion was made by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Ann Reid, to adjourn open session and enter executive session to discuss the following:

*~Personnel Matters – Contract Recommendations*

*~Contractual Matters – Custodial Services Agreement, YMCA Agreement, Intergovernmental Agreement*

This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

A motion was made by Windy Cole, seconded by Terry Hutchinson to adjourn executive session and reconvene open session. This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

#### **XI. Action as Required from Executive Session**

A motion was made by Windy Cole, seconded by Terry Hutchinson, to accept the Superintendent's recommendations regarding the re-employment of professional certified teachers for the 2019-2020 school year, as set forth in the employment recommendations list. This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

A motion was made by Robin Owens, seconded by Terry Hutchinson, to extend current contracts for Budd Group and Interstate Solutions for one year, as allowed in their current contracts and by Rock Hill Schools Procurement Code. This motion was unanimously approved, 7-0.

A motion was made by Mildred Douglas, seconded by Ann Reid, to authorize the District to pay 50% of the cost, or up to \$125,000 for a renovation at the Aquatics Center that is owned by the District and operated and managed by the YMCA. This motion passed, 6-1, with Mr. Faulkenberry voting against.

**XII. Adjournment**

On a motion by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Windy Cole, the Board voted unanimously, 7-0, to adjourn the meeting.

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Secretary

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

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## **PERSONNEL MATTERS – March 2019**

### **The board affirmed contracts for the following certified employee(s):**

Cameron Ramsey ..... Applied Technology Center  
Samuel Koch..... Belleview  
Alexis Brown..... Dutchman Creek  
Tionia Richardson..... Dutchman Creek  
Keith Porter..... Ebinport  
Bailey von Roden ..... Ebinport  
Stacey Walden ..... Ebinport  
Sara Borer ..... Exceptional Student Education  
Natalie Carranza Cardenas.... Exceptional Student Education  
Samantha Feagin..... Exceptional Student Education  
William Chapman, III ..... Exceptional Student Education  
Shanise Davis..... Independence  
Lindsay Bueno ..... India Hook  
Taylor Runyan ..... Lesslie  
Amanda Bluhm..... Mt. Gallant  
Andrew Davis ..... Northwestern  
Luz Garfias Ramirez..... Northwestern  
Jada Tate ..... Northwestern  
Sophia Todd..... Northwestern  
Heather Morton..... Phoenix Academy  
Alexandria Allen..... Renaissance Academy  
Kayla Dorn..... Richmond Drive  
Scott Fleischman..... Rock Hill High  
Kelsey Foster ..... Rosewood  
Amber Hudson..... Rosewood  
Marie Hughes..... Rosewood  
Kelly Wollenberg..... Rosewood  
Edward Leonhardt ..... Saluda Trail  
Kymrie McElheney..... South Pointe  
Margaret Merriman..... South Pointe  
Mary Roueche..... South Pointe  
Ebony Bankhead..... Sullivan  
Kayla Haverlock ..... Sullivan  
Savanna Keese ..... Sullivan  
Megan Calkins ..... York Road  
Breanna Driggers ..... York Road

## **AS INFORMATION TO THE BOARD**

### **Resignations – Administrative**

Michael W. Wessinger ..... Dutchman Creek

### **Letters of Agreement Ending - Certified**

Bryan T. Hainsel..... Dutchman Creek

Dozier E. Murray ..... Dutchman Creek  
Patricia Shellbach ..... Exceptional Student Education

**Resignations – Certified**

Anne Anderson..... Applied Technology  
Amanda Ramsey..... Cherry Park  
Michael Small..... Ebinport  
Leigh Brevard..... Ebinport  
Grace Bevilacqua ..... Mt. Holly  
Cindy N. Guyton ..... Mt. Holly  
Chasity Brooks ..... Northside/Cherry Park  
Rita J. Bogle ..... Northwestern  
Susan H. Mitchell ..... Northwestern  
Raymond E. Patenaude..... Northwestern  
James Twinem..... Northwestern  
Brian J. Herring ..... Rawlinson Road  
Kelly E. Shaw..... Rawlinson Road  
Jonathan R. Hall ..... Rock Hill High  
Cecile Richardson..... Rosewood  
Amy W. Ahl ..... Saluda Trail  
Jennifer Davis..... Saluda Trail  
Alexander Windham..... Saluda Trail  
J.Jared Kloss..... Sullivan  
Wesley Curtis ..... South Pointe

**Transfers – Certified**

Michelle L. Suttle ..... Ebinport  
Deneen C. Gresham..... Mt. Gallant  
Kelly Mitchell..... Rawlinson Road

**New Employees – Non-Certified**

Angela Kendree..... Cherry Park  
Dora Saunders ..... Ebenezer Avenue Traditional  
Gwendolyn Daniels ..... India Hook  
Earl G. Long ..... Northwestern

**Resignations – Non-Certified**

Glenda Hopkins..... Central Office / Finance  
Denise Chestnut-Walker..... Dutchman Creek  
Terry Jo Humphrey ..... Exceptional Student Education  
Kaevon Pompey-Gutierrez ..... India Hook  
Latolcia Howard..... Northside  
Maria DelRosario Smith..... ParentSmart  
Shnetha R. Dickerson ..... Rock Hill High  
Nicole Drakeford ..... Rosewood  
Deborah Schultz ..... Saluda Trail  
Ashley Phillips ..... South Pointe  
Jenna Diaz ..... Sylvia Circle / T3 Program

**Termination – Non-Certified**

Mary Frances Sanders ..... York Road