

**CONSTITUENT DISTRICT 20
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING**

Official Meeting Minutes

Tuesday September 25, 2018

5:30 p.m.

Burke High School – Media Center
244 President Street, Charleston, SC

OPEN SESSION

Board Members in Attendance: Tony Lewis, Chris Ellis, Barbara Holmes, Loquita Bryant-Jenkins, Diana Yarborough, and Francis Clasby

Board Liaison: Sharon Randall

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m., by Board Chairman, Tony Lewis. Mr. Lewis opened the meeting with a moment of silence for the Ellis family.

Adoption of Agenda

It was moved by Francis Clasby, seconded by Diana Yarborough, to approve the agenda. The motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Francis Clasby, seconded by Diana Yarborough, to approve the September 18, 2018 meeting minutes. The motion passed 6-0.

Public Comments/Visitors

Ms. Tyesha Drayton visited the Board on behalf of the Burke High PTSA. She addressed concerns about the number of transfers being approved and wanted a full understanding of the process and how she can communicate this to her PTSA. The group's goal is to increase enrollment. Mr. Ellis informed her the Board simply needs more information on the students to approve the transfers. Mr. Clasby added that many requests are not subjective. Finally, Barbara Holmes stated that the Board had to look at the policy and compare each request to the policy. In summary, the Board needs more detailed information on the requests.

Ms. Charitta Dean also briefly addressed the board regarding hardship requests that were being submitted for her children.

District Updates

District 20 Board Liaison, Sharon Randall, presented updates, celebrations (including successful Open House at Burke) and upcoming events for District 20 schools. Ms. Randall also shared a Coffee Chat

flyer to meet with Ms. Swinton and offered to schedule individual appointments with the Board members to view the New Tech/co-teaching learning model. She reminded the Board about the 10-day enrollment report that was sent out last week and that their Annual Report Presentations would be due in January.

Ms. Randall explained the voluntary and hardship transfer process with policy handouts. She also provided an update on the HVAC system at Burke, as it was addressed at the end of last week and repaired Thursday evening. There was a work order in place and Operations is investigating where the breakdown in communication was. She informed the Board that Mr. Lewis had an opportunity to walk the building with Operations staff to address any other issues or needs. She also informed the Board the temporary entrance to Burke will be installed in October; it will be a five day installation. The permanent entrance bid will be reviewed by Operations by November and completed by the summer.

Ms. Randall shared that the Board of Trustees will be discussing the roll-out and next steps of the Clemson Diversity Study. Lastly, she informed the Board that Operations is awaiting an inspection sign-off for the New Tech classrooms and will be completed this week.

Board Chair Report

Chairman Lewis spoke to the Board about Mr. Ellis' wife's funeral arrangements and asked that everyone keep them in their thoughts. He also shared that Mr. Kramps (Facilities and Asset Management) will work closely with Burke to ensure all projects are completed and all Board members are informed. Mr. Lewis shared that Simmons-Pinckney will host their Open House this Thursday (9/27) at 5:30 p.m. Lastly, he addressed Stoney Field and shared that arrangements are being made for Mr. Lewis and Dr. Holmes to meet with Superintendent Postlewait and Mayor Tecklenberg, as requested.

Old Business

No old business discussed.

New Business

No new business discussed.

It was moved by Francis Clasby, seconded by Loquita Bryant-Jenkins, to go into Executive Session. The motion was approved 6-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Student Hardship Transfer Requests

The board will review student transfer requests for the 2018-2019 school year.

It was moved by Francis Clasby, seconded by Loquita Bryant-Jenkins, to return to Open Session. The board approved 6-0.

*Diana Yarborough left at 6:10 p.m.

OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Vote on Executive Session Items (Action)

Student Transfer Requests

School	Meets	Does Not Meet
Sanders-Clyde	45634, 45633	
Sanders-Clyde		45737
Simmons-Pinckney	45891, 45892	

Public Notification

None discussed at this meeting.

Adjournment

It was moved by Loquita Bryant-Jenkins, and seconded by Francis Clasby to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Approved 10.09.18