

**SPARTANBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT THREE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
District Three Administration Building  
May 21, 2020**

**MINUTES**

The Spartanburg District Three Board of Trustees met on Thursday, May 21, 2020, at 7:30 p.m. at the District Three Administration Building.

The following Board members were present:

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| Mr. Kevin Lee, Chairman      | Mrs. Holly Jolley, Trustee   |
| Mr. Chris Jolley, Vice-Chair | Mr. Eddie Dearybury, Trustee |
| Mr. Billy Gossett, Secretary | Mr. Deion Logan, Trustee     |
| Mr. Shannon Gault, Trustee   | Mrs. Ami Odom, Trustee       |
| Mrs. Jodi Gilmer, Trustee    |                              |

District personnel present included Superintendent Kenny Blackwood, Dr. Susan Little, Rodney Goode, Greg Mack, and Aly Myles.

At 7:00 p.m., Chairman Lee asked for a motion to go into executive session to discuss legal and personnel issues. Mrs. Gilmer made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Dearybury. The vote was unanimous in favor.

At 7:36 p.m., Chairman Lee asked for a motion to return to open session and stated that no action was taken while in executive session. Mr. Gossett made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Dearybury. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Lee called the meeting to order and announced that there was a quorum present and all media outlets were properly notified.

Chairman Lee asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Jolley made the motion and was seconded by Mrs. Odom. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Harper Construction made a presentation on Construction Updates at Clifdale Middle.

Mr. Mack gave an update on the 2020-2021 Budget, and Dr. Little discussed the District Strategic Plans.

In the Chairman's Report, Mr. Lee asked Mr. Blackwood to share information on Broome High School's Graduation and the most recent State information concerning summer school and school start dates.

Mr. Dearybury made a motion to approve the consent agenda (Minutes of April 16, 2020 Board Meeting, May 12, 2020 Special Called Board Meeting, and the Operations, Financial, and Safety Reports). The motion was seconded by Mr. Gossett, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Mr. Goode then presented the following personnel recommendations for Board action:

New Employment of Certificated Personnel (effective 8-10-20)

|                   |                                 |     |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|-----|
| Taylor Epps       | Math Teacher                    | CMS |
| Elizabeth Cooksey | Social Studies                  | BHS |
| Brittany Newman   | Elementary Math Interventionist | CAN |

Retirements (effective 6-30-20)

|                   |                               |      |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|------|
| Robert Sparks     | Electricity Instructor        | DMTC |
| Gena Dachenhausen | Guidance Counselor/Technology | BHS  |
| Patrice Parrish   | Speech/ Language Pathologist  | PES  |
| Diane Duckett     | Teacher Assistant             | PES  |

Resignations (effective 6-30-20)

|                |                     |     |
|----------------|---------------------|-----|
| Tammy Hodges   | Assistant Principal | BHS |
| Kyla Ayalew    | Grade 1 Teacher     | CAN |
| Sarah Justus   | PE Teacher          | CES |
| Melissa Wyatt  | Teacher Assistant   | CMS |
| Patrice Robson | Grade 4 Teacher     | PES |

Mrs. Gilmer made a motion to approve the personnel report and was seconded by Mr. Dearybury. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Mr. Goode then presented the following as information only:

New Employment of Retired Certificated Personnel (Information Only)

|             |                                   |          |         |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Chad Hudson | Middle Level Math Interventionist | CMS/ MSP | 8-10-20 |
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Mr. Mack made a recommendation for approval of the 2020-21 Countywide Program Budgets for McCarthy-Teszler School, Spartanburg County Alternative School, and Spartanburg County Adult Education. Mrs. Odom made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gault, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Dr. Little made a recommendation for approval to waive Board Policy IKE and Board Policy JE for the 2019-20 school year based on guidelines given by State Superintendent Molly Spearman and the South Carolina Department of Education. Mr. Dearybury made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gault, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Dr. Little recommended for approval the following textbook selections:

Elementary Mathematics (K-5) - Big Ideas Mathematics by National Geographic/Cengage  
Middle Level Mathematics (6-8) - Big Ideas Mathematics by National Geographic/Cengage  
Middle Level Social Studies: Discovering World by McGraw-Hill

Mrs. Gilmer made a motion to approve and was seconded by Mrs. Odom. The vote was unanimous in favor.

At 8:58 p.m., Mr. Dearybury made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Mrs. Jolley. The vote was unanimous in favor.

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

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Date