

LEXINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE
Board Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2020

The Lexington County School District One Board of Trustees convened in executive session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Mrch 3, 2020, in the Lexington County School District One’s Central Services Building One located at 100 Tarrar Springs Road in Lexington, South Carolina. At 7:00 p.m. the Board of Trustees met in General Session in the Auditorium. A video of the meeting has been uploaded to our YouTube channel and our LexOne video website. It is also on the Board Meeting Agendas and Minutes webpage.

Board Members: Chair Cynthia Smith, Vice Chair Anne Marie Green, Secretary Dr. Brent Powers, Jada Garris, Dr. Kyle Guyton and Tim Oswald

Media:

1.0 Call to Order 6 p.m. Executive Session

Chair Smith called the meeting to order.

2.0 Executive Session

Chair Smith called for a motion to enter into executive session. A motion was made to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing employment recommendations for 2019-2020, employment recommendations for 2020-2021. A motion was made, seconded and approved.

Motion	Second	Action
Green	Oswald	Approved Unanimously

The board of trustees adjourned to the boardroom for executive session.

3.0 Adjourn Executive Session

Chair Smith welcomed every one to the March 3, 2020. She called for a motion enter into adjourn executive session and begin open session.

Motion	Second	Action
Powers	Green	Approved Unanimously

4.0 Call to Order General Session

4.1 Notification of Compliance with S.C. Freedom of Information Act

Chair Smith said the district tapes the meeting for accuracy in preparing the minutes and is in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act as the district has notified the media of the date, time and place of the meeting. Chair Smith called on Dr. Kyle Guyton to give the invocation.

5.0 Approval of Agenda

Chair Smith called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and carried.

Motion	Second	Action
Powers	Green	Approved Unanimously

6.0 Reports and Action Items from Executive Session

Employment Matters

Chair Smith said there were 22 certified recommendations for the 2020-2021 academic year. A motion was made to approve the recommendations as presented. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Motion	Second	Action
Powers	Oswald	Approved Unanimously

Chair Smith said there was one administrative recommendation for the 2020-2021 academic year. A motion was made to approve the recommendations as presented. The motion was seconded and carried.

Motion	Second	Action
Powers	Green	Approved Unanimously

There were no employment recommendations for 2019-2020 at this time.

7.0 Citizens Participation

Chair Smith read the guidelines for citizens' participation and invited community members to address the board of trustees at this time.

Ms. Martha Gillmann of 328 Churchview Loop, Lexington, SC, 29073, addressed the board of trustees regarding the drug testing policy. She said her son was removed from the LaCrosse team because she requested to be present at the drug testing. Chair Smith said that someone from the administration would contact her.

Mr. Bob Gillmann of 328 Churchview Loop, Lexington, SC, 29073, addressed the board of trustees regarding the drug testing policy. He felt it was not thorough and weak. He asked that the policy be reviewed.

Ms. Billie Garris of 207 Centerville Road, Gilbert, SC, addressed the board of trustees about upcoming field studies that impacted the COVID19 . She asked that the board of trustees give parents the option to send their students on trips.

Ms. Jaime O'Neal of 140 Whisper Lake Drive, Lexington, SC, addressed the board of trustees regarding a Tri-Dac audition request. Her daughter attends a religious school and asked that she be allowed to participate in this process.

8.0 Action Item

8.1 Student Travel Requests

Chair Smith called for a motion to approve nine student travel requests. A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously.

Motion	Second	Action
Green	Oswald	Approved Unanimously

9.0 Superintendent’s Report

9.1 Report – Superintendent’s Update – Superintendent Gregory D. Little

Superintendent Little introduced Mr. Howard Bissell to present details of the e-Learning Program.

9.2 Report – e-Learning Program – Howard E. Bissell, Instructional Technology Director

Mr. Howard Bissell presented for information a proposal to take part in a pilot program made possible through the South Carolina Education Oversight Committee called e-Learning. This is an opportunity to conduct teacher and learning on days when we may need to cancel school for inclement weather or other reasons. Mr. Bissell shared how e-learning days would work at both the elementary and the secondary levels and the impact on the calendar. Next steps to this plan include providing professional learning for teachers who need support in leveraging a learning management system, to establish points-of-contact at each school to streamline coordination and to create lesson templates and resource banks or teachers to use when posting e-Learning Days assignments. Dr. Little said the plan will be presented for approval at the March 17, 2020, board meeting and anticipates having this ready in the fall of 2020.

9.3 Report – Budget 101 – Jeff Salters, Chief Financial Officer

Chief Financial Officer, Jeff Salters, reviewed the timeline for the 2020-2021 fiscal budget. Budget discussions began in January with enrollment projections and discussions of major priorities. In March, all school and department budgets will be reviewed and the administration continues to monitor state budget process and revenue projections. The first reading of the budget will be held on April 21, 2020. Second reading will be held on May 19, 2020. Third reading will be held on June 16, 2020, if the legislature finalized the state budget by that time.

9.4 Report – Operations Update – Jeff Salters – Chief Operations Officer

Chief Operations Officer, Jeff Salters, reviewed photographs of construction projects at Centerville Elementary School, the new Pelion Middle School and Pelion High School athletic improvements.

10.0 Adjourn

Chair Smith talked about some of the events board members attended. They visited Meadow Glen Elementary School and saw a demonstration of Mandarin world language. They attended the SCSBA annual conference. Ms. Smith thanked Drs. Guyton and Powers for their assistance at the vaping conference at Lexington High School. She thanked Dr. Little, Ms. Hill, Dr. Guyton and Dr. Powers for their work and assistance on the COVID19 matter.

Chair Smith called for a motion to adjourn open session. A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously.

Motion	Second	Action
Green	Guyton	Approved Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Brent Powers, Secretary

