

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SCADB
MINUTES OF MEETING
October 23, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, October 23, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the SCADB Outreach Center in Columbia, South Carolina. Vice Chairman Brawley called the meeting to order and stated that proper notification of the meeting had been made according to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act.

MEMBERS PRESENT

W. Scott Brawley, Vice Chairman
Phyllis H. Alexander
Edward B. Bible
Rebecca Davis, Ex-officio
David J. Gundling
Cynthia S. Holland
Robert H. Morrow
Steven R. Ross

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dr. Page McCraw, President
Scott Falcone
Darlene Gathers
Mary Hayes
Sam Hook
Jolene Madison
Scott Ramsey
Ben Riddle

MEMBERS ABSENT

Tara P. Carroll, Ex-officio

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Kristin Barber
Julie Bible
Helen Morrow

INTERPRETERS

Eric Weber
DEAFinitely Taking Requests

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2019 board meeting (see attachment #1 to the October 23, 2019 agenda) was made by Mr. Bible and unanimously approved as submitted.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Dr. McCraw opened her report by providing the board with information from two audits that have occurred since the last board meeting. The first report was the annual human resource audit conducted by the State Office of Administration, and SCADB received an all clear with no deficiencies. The second audit was a desk audit conducted by the South Carolina Department of Education, and SCADB received an all clear in all areas for accreditation. Dr. McCraw concluded her report with a memorial for Mr. Bobby Dobson, SCADB Board of Commissioner's chairman, who recently passed away. Dr. McCraw expressed her appreciation for Mr. Dobson's service to SCADB and included a video from the Dobson family. Additionally, Dr. McCraw agreed to send related information to board members following the meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Riddle reviewed the financial information that had been mailed to the board prior to the meeting (see attachment #2 to the October 23, 2019 agenda). He answered specific questions posed by Mr. Brawley on the revenue received from the EIA (Education Improvement Act). Additionally, Mr. Riddle elaborated on a percentage change reflected in the revenue report from 2018-2019 that was a result of recent asset additions to the SCEIS system.

BOARD POLICY

The following proposed revised SCSDB policy (see attachment #3 to the October 23, 2019 agenda) was reviewed with the board by Dr. McCraw:

ADC: Tobacco-Free School

Dr. McCraw informed the board that the policy had been updated to align with recent changes in state statute. After much discussion, a motion was made by Vice Chairman Brawley, seconded by Mr. Gundling, and unanimously passed that the above policy be tabled to be reviewed and brought forth to the December board meeting for approval.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Ramsey informed the board that SCSDB was currently in the process of preparing for the 2020-2021 budget cycle to begin shortly. SCSDB is scheduled to attend their first budget hearing of the season in the Governor's Office on October 30th.

THE SCSDB FOUNDATION UPDATE

Mr. Hook thanked the board members for attending the sculpture dedication event on the USC campus prior to the meeting. He informed the board that an upcoming dedication for a sculpture in Charleston was in the works with further information to be released in the spring. He invited the board members to trace their hands so they could be included in the artwork. Additionally, Mr. Hook announced the addition of five new members of the SDSDB Foundation Board.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Vice Chairman Brawley turned the meeting over to Dr. McCraw. She advised of the need to elect three (3) officers: Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary.

A motion was made by Mrs. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Gundling and unanimously approved that Mr. Brawley be nominated as Chairman and Mrs. Holland as Vice Chairman for the 2019-2020 term and the floor be closed for further nominations and they be elected by acclamation.

Dr. McCraw opened the floor for Secretary.

A motion was made by Mrs. Holland, seconded by Mr. Bible and unanimously approved that Mrs. Alexander be nominated as Secretary for the 2019-2020 term and the floor be closed for further nominations and she be elected by acclamation.

Dr. McCraw congratulated the appointed officers, thanked them for their willingness to serve and turned the meeting back over to Chairman Brawley.

BOARD HANDBOOK AND TRAINING

Mr. Ramsey presented the 2019-2020 SCSDB Board of Commissioners and provided the annual training review. He reminded the board that SCSDB works with the SC School Board Association for their policy updates and can be accessed online. Lastly, he informed the board of the resignation of Dr. Sellars and mentioned several vacancies that he would be working with the Governor's office in the coming months to fill.

DATE/TIME/PLACE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Future meetings of the Board were scheduled as follows:

- December 9, 2019.....SCSDB Campus, Spartanburg
- February 18, 2020.....Outreach Center, Columbia
- May 5, 2020..... SCSDB Campus, Spartanburg

Chairman Brawley suggested that the board consider moving the date of the December meeting to coincide with the Lion's Club Holiday Luncheon to be held in Walker Hall on the SCSDB Campus in Spartanburg. After a brief discussion, a decision was made to move the date of the December meeting from December 10th to December 9th. The time would be determined at a later date. Additionally, a future consideration for a meeting to be held in the Charleston Outreach office was proposed.

Mr. Brawley thanked the board for their time and commitment and in closing asked the staff and guests to introduce themselves.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Scott Brawley, Chairman

Phyllis H. Alexander, Secretary