

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SCSDB  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
March 2, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 in Room 215 of the Blatt Building, Columbia, South Carolina. Chairman Holland called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and stated that proper notification of the meeting had been made according to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act. She welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked President Park to introduce the guests in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cynthia S. Holland, Chairman  
Phyllis H. Alexander  
Edward B. Bible  
Robert A. Dobson, III  
Marlene Metts, Ex officio  
Robert H. Morrow  
Steven R. Ross

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ettaleah C. Bluestein  
David A. Brown  
Anthony A. McCallum

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Maggie Park, President  
Jon Castro  
Scott Falcone  
Elaine Gentry  
Karen Neal  
Scott Ramsey  
Katie Rice

INTERPRETERS

Glendia Boone  
Melinda Reidling

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Kristin Barber

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF WITH NEWLY ASSIGNED LEADERSHIP ROLES

President Park recognized Scott Falcone who is now Director of Outreach Services. Mr. Falcone introduced Elaine Gentry who is now Program Manager for the Early Intervention Program.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the December 7, 2010 Board meeting (see attachment #1 to the March 2, 2011, agenda) were approved as submitted.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Castro reviewed the financial information that had been mailed to the Board prior to the meeting (see attachment #2 to the March 2, 2011 agenda). He responded to questions from the Board.

#### LEGISLATIVE AND BUDGET PRESENTATION UPDATE

Mr. Ramsey reported to the Board that the agency budget presentation has been made to the House Ways and Means Subcommittee and they have made their recommendation to the House Ways and Means Committee and they have approved it. Debate by the House will begin next week. The presentation will be made to the Senate Finance Subcommittee next Wednesday. We are at the beginning of a very long process.

#### THE WALKER FOUNDATION UPDATE

In Ms. Akerman's absence, President Park updated the Board on the work of The Walker Foundation on behalf of the agency. The dedication of the Dobson House is scheduled for April 27, 2011.

#### SCSDB VISION STATEMENT

President Park reviewed the proposed SCSDB Vision Statement (see attachment #3 to the March 2, 2011 agenda) with the Board. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Dobson, seconded by Mr. Morrow and unanimously passed that the statement be approved as presented.

#### HEARTS AND HANDS AWARD

President Park reviewed the nomination information for the Hearts and Hands Award (see attachment #4 to the March 2, 2011 agenda). After reviewing and discussing the nomination, a motion was made by Mr. Bible, seconded by Mr. Morrow, and unanimously passed to present the 2011 Hearts and Hands award to Douglas Jackson and Spanish Classes at USC-Upstate. The award will be presented at the agency-wide awards program.

#### DOUGLAS F. DENT AWARD

Ms. Alexander reviewed the nomination information for the Douglas F. Dent Award. After reviewing and discussing the nominations, a motion was made by Dr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Dobson, and unanimously passed to present the 2011 Douglas F. Dent Award to F. Ashton Cribbs, III. The award will be presented at the 2011 graduation ceremony.

#### REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO EXCUSE SCHOOL DAYS MISSED

President Park reviewed the request for approval to excuse school days missed due to inclement weather (see attachment #5 to the March 2, 2011 agenda) with the Board. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Dobson, seconded by Ms. Alexander and unanimously passed to excuse up to five days of school missed due to inclement weather during the 2010-11 school year pending final approval of the proposed bill by the Governor.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Ms. Rice reminded the Board that the Special Events Calendar is posted on the internet. She called attention to several upcoming events that may be of particular interest to the Board.

DATE/TIME/PLACE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Future meetings of the Board are scheduled as follows:

- May 3, 2011-----SCSDB Campus

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters and to receive legal advice.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to move out of Executive Session.

Chairman Holland stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia S. Holland, Chairman

Phyllis H. Alexander, Secretary