

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SCSDB  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
March 4, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020, at 12:00 p.m. in the conference room of the SCSDB Outreach Center in Columbia, South Carolina. Vice-Chairman Holland 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. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for the introductions of any guests in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cynthia S. Holland, Vice Chairman  
Phyllis H. Alexander  
Edward B. Bible  
David J. Gundling  
Cynthia S. Holland  
Robert H. Morrow  
Dr. Steven R. Ross

MEMBERS ABSENT

W. Scott Brawley, Chairman  
Tara P. Carroll, Ex-officio  
Rebecca C. Davis, Ex-officio

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dr. Page McCraw, President  
Scott Falcone  
Mary Hayes  
Sam Hook  
Scott Ramsey

INTERPRETERS

Dr. Eric Weber

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Kristin Barber, Attorney  
Julie Bible  
Helen Morrow

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on December 9, 2019, (see attachment #1 for agenda dated March 4, 2020) was made by Mr. Gundling and seconded by Mr. Bible. The minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. McCraw's report began by making the board aware of a school closure that previously took place on February 21, 2020 due to weather. She informed the board of the make-up day that would take place on March 27, 2020. Secondly, Dr. McCraw commended the SCSDB staff and student athletes who participated in the Mason Dixon Girls Basketball Tournament that was held on the SCSDB campus in January. With a total of 9 teams from other states participating, the SCSDB Hornets finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place. Dr. McCraw thanked the SCSDB Foundation for a \$5,000 donation that helped support the successful event. Lastly, Dr. McCraw informed the board of the First Annual Teacher of the Year luncheon that was held at the Piedmont Club on February 17, 2020.

A watch was presented to the recipients of the Teacher of the Years for the past two years and the current District Teacher of the Year. The SC Teacher of the Year, Chanda Jefferson, spoke at the

luncheon along with Jenna Hallman, Cerra Program Director. Dr. McCraw thanked the SCSDB Foundation for their financial support of the event.

#### FINANCIAL UPDATE

Dr. McCraw reviewed the financial information that had been mailed to the board prior to the meeting (see attachment #2 for agenda dated March 4, 2020).

#### LEGISLATIVE/OPERATIONS UPDATE

Mr. Ramsey began by thanking the board members who attended the SCSDB student performance at the State House prior to the meeting. He then updated the board on the status of the 2020-2021 state budget requests. He informed the board that the budget presentations to the House and the Senate had concluded and were received well. He explained the additional money requested would be set aside for teacher pay raises that are state mandated. Mr. Ramsey concluded his report by making the board aware of various maintenance projects around campus that involved work to building and the grounds.

#### 2020 SCSDB BOARD AWARDS

Mrs. Alexander reviewed the nomination information for the 2020 SCSDB Board Awards (see attachment #3 for agenda dated March 4, 2020). A motion was made by Mr. Gundling, seconded by Mr. Bible, and unanimously approved to award the 2020 Hearts and Hands Award to Bomar Printing, Spartanburg Uptown Sertoma Club as the recipient of the 2020 SCSDB Charitable Giving Award, and to name posthumously Mr. Robert A. Dobson, III as the recipient of the 2020 Douglas F. Dent Award.

#### BOARD POLICY

The following proposed revised SCSDB policies (see attachment #4 to the March 4, 2020 agenda) were reviewed with the board by Dr. McCraw:

Section B: School Board Governance and Operations

GBEBD: Staff Acceptable Use of Technology

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Bible, seconded by Mr. Morrow, and unanimously passed that the policies be approved as presented.

#### THE SCSDB FOUNDATION UPDATE

Mr. Hook briefly updated the board on the work of The SCSDB Foundation on behalf of the agency. He first shared the success of the Chili Cook-off event that was held in February which grossed around \$90,000 for the Foundation. Secondly, he informed the board that the SCSDB Foundation would be updating their website to make it more accessible and user-friendly. Lastly, he shared an informative video that was developed by the Foundation that would be used to educate those interested in learning more about SCSDB.

#### DATE/TIME/PLACE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Future meetings of the Board were scheduled as follows:

- May 5, 2020..... SCSDB Campus, Spartanburg, S.C.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:54 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia S. Holland, Vice-Chairman

Phyllis H. Alexander, Secretary