

## MINUTES

### State Board of Education Meeting

#### Date

Tuesday, July 12, 2016

#### Time

11:00 a.m.

#### Location

Rutledge Conference Center  
1429 Senate Street  
Columbia, South Carolina

*Michael R. Brenan, Chair*

*Samuel Ivan Randolph, PhD, Chair-elect*

*Molly M. Spearman*

*State Superintendent of Education*

*Secretary and Administrative Officer to the Board*

*SBE Mission: The State Board of Education's mission is to provide a leadership role in helping South Carolina set policy and direction to transform teaching and learning so that students are prepared with the necessary knowledge and skills, including innovation, to compete globally and live a productive life.*

### **I. Welcome and Determination of a Quorum**

The State Board of Education (SBE) meeting convened at 11:00 a.m. via telephone. Chair Brenan called the meeting to order.

The following SBE members were in attendance: Mike Brenan, Chair, Governor's Appointee; Samuel Alston, EdD, First Judicial Circuit; Janice Murray Gamble, EdD, Third Judicial Circuit; Gerald Reeves, Fourth Judicial Circuit; Traci Young Cooper, EdD, Fifth Judicial Circuit; James Stroman, Sixth Judicial Circuit; Jane P. Harmon, Seventh Judicial Circuit; Ivan Randolph, PhD, Chair-elect, Eighth Judicial Circuit; Richard Kizer, Ninth Judicial Circuit; Jeffrey Kubu, Tenth Judicial Circuit; Dr. Sharon Wall, Eleventh Judicial Circuit; Thomas Ewart, Twelfth Judicial Circuit; David Whittemore, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit; Rhonda Edwards, EdD, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit; Renee R. Hembree, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit; and Sharon Bynum, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit. A quorum was present.

The following South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) staff were in attendance: Molly M. Spearman, State Superintendent of Education; Cathy Hazelwood, Deputy Superintendent and Parliamentarian, Division for Legal Affairs; and Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources.

**II. Board Item**

**FOR APPROVAL**

**01. Spartanburg School District (District) Seven's Request for Exemption** —Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources.

Chair Brenan called for the motion and a second. Dr. Young-Cooper made the motion and Dr. Wall seconded the motion to approve the request. Robust discussion occurred with Dr. Russell Booker, Superintendent of Spartanburg School District Seven advocating for the request, as did a representative from Meeting Street Academy, Claudia Angleberti. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. Other Business**

**IV. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the SBE adjourned at 11:35 a.m.