MINUTES
State Board of Education Meeting

Date
Tuesday, December 12, 2017

Time
1:00 p.m.

Location

Rutledge Conference Center
1429 Senate Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Samuel Ivan Randolph, PhD, Chair
Sharon Wall, EdD, Chair-elect
Molly M. Spearman
State Superintendent of Education
Secretary and Administrative Officer to the Board

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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

The State Board of Education (SBE) meeting convened at 1:00 p.m. Chair Randolph called the meeting to order.

The following SBE members were in attendance: Ivan Randolph, PhD, Chair, Eighth Judicial Circuit; Samuel Alston, EdD, First Judicial Circuit; Del-Gratia Jones, Second Judicial Circuit; Janice Murray Gamble, EdD, Third Judicial Circuit; Gerald Reeves, Fourth Judicial Circuit; Mara Horton Jones, Fifth Judicial Circuit; James Stroman, Sixth Judicial Circuit; Richard Kizer, Ninth Judicial Circuit; Sharon Wall, EdD, Chair-elect, Eleventh Judicial Circuit; Thomas Ewart, Twelfth Judicial Circuit; David Whittemore, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit; Rhonda Edwards, DSL, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit; Renee R. Hembree, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit; Sharon Bynum, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit; and Mike Brenan, Governor's Appointee. Jane P. Harmon, Seventh Judicial Circuit was absent with apologies.

The following South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) staff were in attendance: Cathy Hazelwood, Deputy Superintendent and Parliamentarian, Division for Legal Affairs; David Mathis, PhD, Deputy Superintendent, Division of College and Career Readiness; Karla McLawhorn Hawkins, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources; Nancy Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Office of Finance; Sheila Quinn, EdD, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness; Robert Benn, Information Resource Consultant, Service and Support Center, Chief Information Office; Travis Huggins, Information Resource Consultant, Service and Support Center,

Chief Information Office; Barbara Drayton, Deputy General Counsel, Division for Legal Affairs; and LaTonia Holloway, Paralegal, Division for Legal Affairs.

II. APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2017.

Chair Randolph asked if there were any objections to approving the minutes as presented for the SBE meeting on November 14, 2017. Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

III. APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 12, 2017

Chair Randolph s asked if there were any objections to approving the agenda as presented for the December 12, 2017, SBE meeting. Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

IV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA

Chair Randolph welcomed visitors who were present.

V. STATE BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Chair Randolph recognized and presented awards to the following members rotating off the Board at the end of the month, Dr. Samuel Alston, First Judicial Circuit, James Stroman, Sixth Judicial Circuit, and Tom Ewart, Twelfth Judicial Circuit. Chair Randolph thanked them for their service to the children of South Carolina. Chair-elect Wall presented Chair Randolph with an award for service for representing the Eighth Judicial Circuit and a gravel set for servicing as the 2017 SBE Chair. Dr. Wall thanked Chair Randolph for his leadership and his years of service to the SBE.

This concluded his report.

VI. STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT

Superintendent Spearman highlighted events she has attended since the last meeting and recognized award recipients. These events and recognitions included the following:

- On November 27, 2017, Superintendent Spearman briefly attended the Carolina vs. Clemson game where she met the "Read your Way to the Big Game" winners. The winner representing Clemson was Hannah Boelsch from Aiken County School District, and representing Carolina was Ty'Kerian Walker from Spartanburg County School District Seven.
- Superintendent Spearman reported that three school districts in South Carolina were named 2017 AP Honor Roll School Districts by College Board. The Districts were: Charleston County School District, York County School District Four (Fort Mill), and the Diocese of Charleston Education Office.

- Superintendent Spearman recognized this year's 2018 United States Senate Youth Scholarship recipients selected to represent the state of South Carolina; Harshini Abbaraju a student who attends Connections Academy and Henry Lear a student who attends Southside High School. They will travel to Washington D.C. March-3-10, 2018 to attend the 56th Annual United States Senate Youth Program.
- Superintendent Spearman named the three schools in South Carolina who were recognized as Nationally Certified Magnet Schools, they were North Springs Elementary, E.L. Wright Middle School, and Richland Northeast High School. All of the schools are located in Richland School District Two.

This concluded her report.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Randolph stated that no one signed up for public comments.

VIII. STATE BOARD ITEMS

PH PUBLIC HEARING

Chair Randolph noted that no one signed up for public hearing comment therefore, the board would proceed with taking up action on the ten public hearing items listed on the agenda. Chair Randolph recognized Mary Hipp to present information relative to item PH-01; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-51 (R.43-51), Certification Requirements (Second Reading). Mrs. Hipp provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-01 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-01 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-51 (R.43-51), Certification Requirements (Second Reading) as presented. It was moved by Mr. Whittemore that item PH-01 be approved for second reading as presented, Dr. Wall seconded the motion .. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized Mary Hipp to present information relative to item PH-02; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-52 (R.43-52), Application for Teaching Credential (Second Reading). Mrs. Hipp provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-02 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-02 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-52 (R.43-52), Application for Teaching Credential as presented. It was moved by Mr. Brenan that item PH-02 be approved for second reading as presented, Dr. Gamble seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized Mary Hipp to present information relative to item PH-03; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-53 (R.43-53),

Credential Classification (Second Reading). Mrs. Hipp provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-03 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-03 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-53 (R.43-53), Credential Classification as presented. It was moved by Mr. Whittemore that item PH-03 be approved for second reading as presented, Dr. Gamble seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized Kriss Stewart to present information relative to item PH-04; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-70 (R.43-70), Textbook Adoption Regulation (Second Reading). Ms. Stewart provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-04 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-04 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-70 (R.43-70), Textbook Adoption Regulation as presented. It was moved by Dr. Wall that item PH-04 be approved for second reading as presented, Ms. M. Jones seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized Kriss Stewart to present information relative to item PH-05; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-71 (R.43-71), Free Textbooks (Second Reading). Ms. Stewart provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-05 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-05 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-71 (R.43-71), Free Textbooks as presented. It was moved by Dr. Gamble that item PH-05 be approved for second reading as presented, Ms. D. Jones seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized Kriss Stewart to present information relative to item PH-06; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-73 (R.43-73), Disposition of Instructional Materials Samples after State Adoption Process (Second Reading). Ms. Stewart provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-06 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-06 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-73 (R.43-73), Disposition of Instructional Materials Samples after State Adoption Process as presented. It was moved by Mr. Stroman that item PH-06 be approved for second reading as presented, Dr. Wall seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized Darlene Prevatt to present information relative to item PH-07; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-232 (R.43-232) Defined Programs 6–8 (Second Reading). Mrs. Prevatt provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-07 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-07 be approved for second

reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-232 (R.43-232) Defined Programs 6–8 as presented. It was moved by Dr. Wall that item PH-07 be approved for second reading as presented, Dr. Gamble seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized Darlene Prevatt to present information relative to item PH-08; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-234 (R.43-234), Defined Program, Grades 9–12 and Graduation Requirements. Mrs. Prevatt provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-08 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-08 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-234 (R.43-234), Defined Program, Grades 9–12 and Graduation Requirements as presented. It was moved by Mr. Whittemore that item PH-08 be approved for second reading as presented, Dr. Gamble seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized Darlene Prevatt to present information relative to item PH-09; Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-273 (R.43-273), Transfers and Withdrawals. Mrs. Prevatt provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-09 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. She stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-09 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-273 (R.43-273), Transfers and Withdrawals as presented. It was moved by Dr. Wall that item PH-09 be approved for second reading as presented, Dr. Gamble seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Randolph recognized John Payne to present information relative to item PH-10; Proposed New State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-235, Employability Credential for Students with Disabilities . Mr. Payne provided information that was previously shared during the first reading of PH-10 and indicated that there were no changes between the first reading and today. He stated that it was the recommendation of the Department that PH-10 be approved for second reading. Chair Randolph called for the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed New State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-235, Employability Credential for Students with Disabilities as presented. It was moved by Dr. Wall that item PH-10 be approved for second reading as presented, Ms. M. Jones seconded the motion. Chair Randolph called for the question, hearing no objections he called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

FOR APPROVAL

01. Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-51 (R.43-51), Certification Requirements (Second Reading)—Mary Hipp, Director, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

02. **Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-52 (R.43-52), Application for Teaching Credential (Second Reading)—**Mary Hipp, Director, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

03. **Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-53 (R.43-53), Credential Classification (Second Reading)—**Mary Hipp, Director, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

04. **Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-70 (R.43-70), Textbook Adoption Regulation (Second Reading)**—Kriss Stewart, Program Coordinator, Instructional Materials Section, Office of Finance

05. **Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-71 (R.43-71), Free Textbooks (Second Reading)**—Kriss Stewart, Program Coordinator, Instructional Materials Section, Office of Finance

06. **Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-73 (R.43-73), Disposition of Instructional Materials Samples after State Adoption Process (Second Reading)**—Kriss Stewart, Program Coordinator, Instructional Materials Section, Office of Finance

07. **Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-232 (R.43-232) Defined Programs 6–8 (Second Reading)**—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

08. **Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-234 (R.43-234), Defined Program, Grades 9–12 and Graduation Requirements (Second Reading)**– Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

09. **Proposed Amendments to State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-273 (R.43-273), Transfers and Withdrawals (Second Reading)**—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

10. **Proposed New State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-235, Employability Credential for Students with Disabilities (Second Reading)—**John Payne, Director, Office of Special Education Services, Division of College and Career Readiness

PL POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE—COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair Randolph reported that the sub-committee met and heard one action item PL-01 which was approved by the sub-committee and placed on the consent agenda. The committee also heard information regarding the one item for information which provided the latest update on waiver request. This concluded his report.

FOR APPROVAL

01. Multiple School Districts Online Testing Waiver Requests of the 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, 2017 S.C. Acts 97, Proviso 1.77 (Proviso 1.77)—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

FOR INFORMATION

02. Update to the Policy and Legislative Committee on Monthly Waiver Requests Approved by the Office of Federal and State Accountability—Darlene Prevatt, Team Leader, State Accountability, Office of Federal and State Accountability, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

EP EDUCATOR PROFESSIONS—COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair Randolph recognized Gerald Reeves who stated that the committee addressed four action items and one information item. He stated that item EP-01 through EP-04were approved to be placed on the consent agenda. Mr. Reeves provided brief and thorough background information regarding each item. This concluded Mr. Reeves' report.

FOR APPROVAL

01. Teacher Mentoring and Induction Guidelines Revision Approval—Lilla Toal-Mandsager, Director, Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness

02. Adoption of Assessments of Beginning Teacher Performance as Options for South Carolina's Educator Preparation Programs (EPPs)—Mary Hipp, Director, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

03. Approval of New Member to Serve on the Professional Review Committee (PRC)—Jaclyn Walsh, Education Associate, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

04. Amendment to Content Area Preparation Requirements for Candidates in Middle Level Programs at the Undergraduate Level—Sherry Schneider, Education Associate, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources

FOR INFORMATION

05. Information Regarding Implementation and Conclusion of the South Carolina State Plan for the Equitable Distribution of Excellent Educators (State Equity Plan) Approved by the United States Department of Education (USED) on September 10, 2015—Jennifer Morrison, Chief Strategy Officer, Chief Strategy Office, Chief Operating Office

IF INNOVATION AND FINANCE—COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair Randolph recognized Mr. Ewart who reported that the sub-committee met and heard two action items. Mr. Ewart explained that item IF-01 dealt with the approval of the Report of Recommendations from the Instructional Materials Advisory Committee (IMAC) for the 2018 cycle and item IF-02 dealt with the disposal of property request from Florence County School District Two. Mr. Ewart provided an explanation regarding each item and stated that the sub-committee approved both items to be placed on the consent agenda. Additionally, the sub-committee received a financial update for the 2017–18 year, and advised that the Board was in good standing.

Mr. Ewart stated this concluded his report.

FOR APPROVAL

01. Report of Recommendations from the Instructional Materials Advisory Committee (IMAC) for the 2018 Adoption Cycle—Kriss Stewart, Program Coordinator, Instructional Materials Section, Office of Finance

02. Request for Approval of Property Disposal—Florence County School District Two—Delisa Clark, Director, Office of School Facilities, Division of Operations and Support

FOR INFORMATION

03. Financial Update for Fiscal Year 2017–18—Nancy Williams, Chief Financial Officer, Office of Finance

SLA STANDARDS, LEARNING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Chair Randolph recognized Mr. Kizer who reported that the sub-committee met and heard one action item. Mr. Kizer stated that the item for approval was placed on the consent agenda and provided some information regarding the Adoption of Formative Assessment Waiver Requests to Conduct Study.

This concluded Mr. Kizer's report.

FOR APPROVAL

01. Adoption of Formative Assessment Waiver Requests to Conduct Study—Dr. Sheila Quinn, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness

ELC EDUCATOR LICENSURE—COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair Randolph recognized Dr. Samuel Alston who reported that the Educator Licensure Committee (ELC) met and had already approved and ratified the actions during the Full Board ELC sub-committee meeting.

N NOMINATIONS—COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair Randolph recognized Mr. Ewart, the 2017 Chair for the Nominations Committee for the 2018 Chair-elect, to provide the nominee information. Mr. Ewart stated that it was the overall consensus of the Board to present Del-Gratia Jones as the 2018 nominee for Chair-elect. Chair Randolph stated that the nominee had been presented and called for a motion. It was moved by Mr. Brenan and seconded by Dr. Gamble to approve the nomination of Del-Gratia Jones for Chair-elect. Chair Randolph called for the question and the vote. Hearing no objections, Del-Gratia Jones was elected as the 2018 Chair-elect.

Chair Randolph asked for Dr. Wall and Ms. Jones to stand for the swearing in by taking the oath of office.

01. Committee Report—Dr. Ivan Randolph, Chair

02. Nomination of Chair-Elect—Dr. Ivan Randolph, Chair

OATH OF OFFICE

- **Swearing-in of Chair and Chair-Elect**

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Randolph called for the vote for approval of the consent agenda. It was moved by Mr. Brenan to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Dr. Gamble. The motion passed unanimously.

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SLA STANDARDS, LEARNING AND ACCOUNTABILITY—COMMITTEE REPORT

FOR APPROVAL

01. **Adoption of Formative Assessment Waiver Requests to Conduct Study**—Dr. Sheila Quinn, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness

SBE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

Prior to Dr. Dixon's report, Chair Wall stated that the next meeting will be held January 9, 2018, advising members that they will be receiving their new sub-committee assignments within the next couple of days via email. She also stated that the new scheduled meeting dates for the SBE would be posted on the webpage by the end of the week.

Chair Wall recognized Dr. Latoya Dixon who reported the following matters relative to Florence County School District Four. Dr. Dixon advised that the District did not meet the annual Dec. 1 deadline to submit their audit for FY17. The district financial audit is still in progress and auditors are continuing to work with district finance personnel to complete the audit as soon as possible. The Financial Fiscal Audit (2016–17) is scheduled for completion by mid-January 2018. Dr. Dixon highlighted the following events taking place in Florence Four:

- The Office of Standards and Learning will offer a free, hybrid professional learning opportunity at Brockington Elementary. This will consist of five face-to-face meetings, two live virtual meetings, and four in-class model lesson meetings. This professional learning opportunity is created to further support K–5 elementary education teachers in literacy best practices within English language arts as well as across content instruction.
- The Students at Brockington Elementary and Johnson Middle have completed NWEA Winter Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) testing. Teachers will be utilizing the results to guide their instruction.
- Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS) training has been held for teachers at Brockington and Johnson Middle. The district will begin implementation of the program to support an effective discipline management in January.

Additionally, Dr. Dixon reported that with help of E-rate and Technology Technical Assistance funds, we are in the process of upgrading our wired and wireless infrastructure. The equipment has arrived and

we are in the process of staging all of the equipment before installation occurs. Dr. Dixon also stated that the new website to Florence Four was near completion and that it is scheduled to launch in January 2018. Finally, Dr. Dixon reported that Dr. Zona Jefferson's last day would be December 15, 2017, and commended her publically for all the hard work Dr. Jefferson provided to the District. Dr. Dixon stated that this concluded her report on Florence Four.

Dr. Dixon reported that District Leadership Transformation Coaches continue to work with interim Superintendent Walter Tobin and district staff in providing support in using documented, systematic continuous improvement processes for improving student learning and the conditions that support learning. More importantly, ensuring that these processes and structures are implemented with fidelity and yield improved student outcomes. Dr. Dixon reported that Allendale County School District did not meet their annual December 1, 2017, deadline, advising that the district is also diligently working to complete their audit as soon as possible. Dr. Dixon highlighted the following updates for Allendale School District that have taken place since our last meeting.

- A Community Meeting was held November 28, 2017, to provide the community with personnel, financial, and budgetary updates. Student data results and new building projects were also shared.
- In January, the district will implement a new behavior incentive initiative entitled PBIS Tracker (LIVE School), in an effort to encourage and support positive student behavior.
- Students from Allendale-Fairfax High School Debate Team have been invited to debate in the Speech and Debate National Tournament at Harvard University on February 16–18, 2019.
- Allendale- Fairfax High School inducted over 30 students into its BETA Club Society. This is the largest number of inductees in a very long time for the school.
- On November 30, 2017, Allendale Elementary School had a standing room only crowd during its Family Math and Science Night. There were over 125 parents and students in attendance. Parents played games such as "Are you smarter than an AES student." Parents competed against students. Teachers shared math and science tips and the student robotics team demonstrated what they had been engaged in during the afterschool program.
- School Transformation Coaches conducted school-wide data conferences with teachers in an effort to provide supports that foster a data-driven culture within the schools and support teachers systematically and routinely use data to guide instructional decisions and meet students' learning needs.

Dr. Dixon also reported that Governor McMaster visited Allendale County Schools on December 1, 2017. Students, teachers, community members, and district staff enjoyed sharing with the Governor all the wonderful happenings in the District. Additionally, Dr. Dixon reported that in an effort to meet students' social and emotional needs, Allendale Elementary School is actively engaging students in activities such as Chess, Steel Band, Robotics, Coding and school plays. Allendale Elementary School will present "Frosty the Snowman" featuring the STEEL Band on December 18, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. Lastly, Dr. Dixon stated that on November 16, 2017, the STEM Coalition Challenge Committee, on behalf of Allendale County Schools, submitted a US 2020 STEM Coalition Challenge Grant. The grant was for $50,000 and was matched by Savannah River Site Community Reuse Organization. This concluded Dr. Dixon's report on Allendale.

FOR INFORMATION

01. Florence County School District Four Update—Latoya Dixon, PhD, Director, Office of School Transformation, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness

02. Allendale County School District Update——Latoya Dixon, PhD, Director, Office of School Transformation, Division of Innovation and Effectiveness

X. OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Wall reminded all members to turn in their travel forms prior to their departure and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the SBE adjourned at 2:54 p.m.