



# Florence County School District 3

*Called Board Meeting Minutes (corrected) for*

*Tuesday, September 9, 2025 @ 5:30p.m.*

*Location: Board Room*

125 S. Blanding St., Lake City, SC 29560

Live Stream –YouTube@fsd3

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**Call to Order:** Board Chair Jac'Kel Brown called the September 9, 2025 called board meeting of the Florence County School District Three Board of Trustees to order.

**Declaration of Freedom of Information Act (FOIA):** In accordance with the S. C. Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-809d, as amended, the following have been notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting: Morning News, Lake City Shopper, WBTW, WPDE, & WMBF. This agenda is also posted on the Florence County School District Three website.

**Roll Call by Board Secretary:** Ms. Rebecca Yates reported that all board members were in attendance.

**Moment of Silence:** Ms. Kasey Feagin requested prayers for all FSD3 students and staff. We observed a moment of silence.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Board Chair Jac'Kel Brown led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Ms. Rutha Frieson made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Mattie Thomas provided the 2<sup>nd</sup> for this motion. All board members present voted in favor of this motion. The motion to approve the agenda as presented passed 9-0.

**Interim-Superintendent's Report:** –Ms. Kasey Feagin, Interim-Superintendent Introduced Ms. Hope Gibson for the finance update report.

**Finance Update – Hope Gibson, Finance Director** Finance Updates. Ms. Hope reviewed the General Fund Budget by Object Code 7/1/2024 and 7/1/2025. Reports comparing both years' budgets. The budgets concern the significant decrease in 2025-2026 Purchase Service area and Equipment area funds for a total of a negative \$1,290,211.00. She also went over the details of the comparison of the two fiscal years by function and object. Detail reports were provided for each members review and step by step instructions on how to read each report for total understanding. Ms. Hope also went over the method used for reaching a balance budget every year. There was a long discussion with questions and answers between the board members and the district directors regarding the balance and the need for the request for fund balance transfer to general funds. Additional explanation of why the transfer of funds is needed was provided by Ms. Hope and Ms. Feagin.

**District Updates – Kasey Feagin, Interim-Superintendent**

Ms. Kasey Feagin reviewed the fund Balance History at the end of the audit in 2023-2024 as well as at the end of November 2024-2025 audit. She also reviewed the expenses that were approved to Upgrade the Stadium using Option A. She requested an action vote for the Fund Balance transfer of 3 million for the Option A Stadium renovation. Ms. Julia Mims made the motion to make the Fund Balance transfer of 3 million for the Option A Stadium renovation. Mr. Jason Kirby provided the second for this motion. All board members present voted in favor of this motion. The motion to Approve the Fund Balance transfer of 3 million for the Option A Stadium renovation, account carries 9-0.

All the department updates and PowerPoint reports are posted for the public on the FSD3 website and are shown on the streamed meeting on youtube@fsd3.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business for the Board of Trustees; Ms. Julia Mims made the motion to adjourn. Ms. Paula Morris provided the second for this motion. All board members present voted in favor of this motion. The motion to adjourn carries 9-0.

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**Date approved**

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**Jac’Kel Brown, Chair**

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**Liz Acuña, Recording Clerk**

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**Rebecca Yates, Secretary**