



**Santee Lynches Regional Council of Governments  
Board of Directors Board Meeting  
Monday, May 6, 2019 - 6:00pm  
CCTC Advanced Manufacturing Technology Training Center  
853 Broad Street, Room A-101, Sumter, South Carolina**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present**

**City of Manning:** Mayor Julia Nelson

**Clarendon County:** Benton Blakely, Senator Kevin Johnson, Shirley Keels, Dwight Stewart

**City of Camden:** Mayor Alfred Mae Drakeford, Jeffrey Graham

**Kershaw County:** Representative Laurie Funderburk, Kenneth McCaskill, Sammie Tucker, John Wesley Lee

**Lee County:** Travis Windham

**City of Sumter:** Ione Dwyer, Steve Corley

**Sumter County:** Eugene Baten, James McCain, Vivian McGhaney, Roland Robinson, Representative David Weeks, Chuck Wilson, Earl Wilson

**Members Absent**

**Kershaw County:** Julian Burn (excused), Brad Hanley (excused)

**City of Bishopville:** David Addison, Mayor Alexander Boyd, Representative Will Wheeler

**City of Sumter:** Mayor Joe McElveen (excused), David Merchant

**Sumter County:** Jay Davis

1. **Welcome and Call to Order:** Chairman Travis Windham called the meeting to order at 6:10pm.
2. **Invocation/ Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Jim McCain provided the invocation and all attendees participated in the pledge.
3. **Introduction of Guest:**
  - a. Mrs. Iris Painter
  - b. Mr. Robert Galiano
4. **Quorum Determination:** Chairman Travis Windham determined there was a quorum. 21 of 29 board members were present.
5. **Adoption of Agenda:** Mr. Sammie Tucker motioned to amend the agenda to remove item "9d. HHS Committee Report." Ms. Julia Nelson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Sammie Tucker then moved to adopt the agenda as amended, Ms. Julia Nelson seconded, and the agenda was adopted unanimously.

**6. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Mr. Chuck Wilson made a motion to approve the April 1, 2019 meeting minutes. Mr. John Lee seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**7. Public Presentations:**

- a. Mr. Bob Galiano received a plaque and certificate for his years of service on the Santee-Lynches Board of Directors and supporting the Santee Lynches Region.
- b. Mrs. Iris Painter received a plaque and certificate in honor of her late husband, Dr. William "Bill" Painter, who served on the Santee-Lynches Board of Directors, until his passing earlier in 2019.
- c. Board member Mr. Jeffrey Graham presented on the importance Committees within the Santee-Lynches Board of Directors. Mr. Graham emphasized being involved, showing up, and being present, as your county or region needs your presence, and what happens in one city/ county directly affects another city/ county in the region.

**8. Staff Briefings:**

- a. **COG Financial Report:** CFO, Ms. Kathy Powell reviewed the March 31, 2019 financial report. Ms. Powell reported that Santee-Lynches has completed 75% of this budget year; collected 72% of its revenues, which included local appropriations; and expended almost 78% of its current budget. She provided updated cash balances as of 5/31/2019 and reviewed several items of expenditure that have exceeded the current budget. Ms. Powell noted a budget amendment, to be considered in the Audit/Finance Committee's report, will address many of those overages.

**9. Committee Reports:**

- a. **Audit Finance Committee:** Ms. Alfred Mae Drakeford reported that the Audit Finance Committee met on April 22, 2019 to review a proposed Budget Amendment for FY 2018-2019 and to receive an initial briefing on items that will affect next years budget. The Audit Finance Committee recommended approval of the proposed Budget Amendment for FY 2018-2019 as presented to the full board. Chairman Windham stated the question on the motion (restated the exact motion, which opened the floor for debate on the stated motion) and the board voted unanimously to accept the Budget Amendment for FY 2018-2019.
- b. **Executive Committee:** Chairman Travis Windham reported that the Executive Committee discussed proposed updates to the Bylaws, but that the Committee would like to continue working on revisions prior to full board consideration. Mr. Sammie Tucker made a motion to table action on the Bylaws updates. The motion was seconded by Mr. John Lee. The motion passed unanimously, and the matter was tabled.
- c. **ECS Committee Report:**
  - i. At the request of Committee Chair Mr. Dwight Stewart, ECS Chief, Mr. Kyle Kelly presented the Rural Planning Work Program for FY 2019- 2020 and FY 2020-2021. Mr. Kelly stated that the ECS Committee met in April 2019 and moved to adopt the Rural Planning Work Program. Mr. Kelly noted an administrative clarification that subsequent to the ECS Committee meeting, the Federal Highway Administration asked that the terminology on page 6 of the plan be adjusted from "planning emphasis areas" to "planning factors". The ECS Committee recommended adoption of the Rural Planning Work Program for

FY2019-2020 through FY2020-2021 as presented to the full board. Chairman Windham stated the question on the motion and the board voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

- ii. At the request of Mr. Stewart, Mr. Kelly then briefed the board that the Long-Range Transportation Plan, titled "Forward 2045" is available for board review and for public comment. Each board member was given an informational card containing a link to the draft plan on the Santee-Lynches website. The draft plan will be available for public comments/input for a 30-day period from May 3, 2019 through June 3, 2019, and the final draft plan will be presented to the board for Adoption in June 2019.

- d. **HHS Committee Report:** Chairman Windham re-stated to the board that this item was removed from the agenda via amendment at the start of the meeting and will be included on the agenda for the June 3, 2019 board meeting.

- 10. Executive Directors Report:** Mr. McKinney provided an opioid update. He briefed the board on his contact with local city/ county officials (EMS, Sheriff's Offices, and Coroners) across the region and noted their willingness to share data month-to-month. Mr. McKinney explained that staff will compile data and distribute to partners. Mr. McKinney further noted that Santee-Lynches is working to apply for a Grant to assist with cost of the collection and compiling of data as well as any other assistance identified through the meetings with key stakeholders and the HHS Committee.

Mr. McKinney also informed the board that the Workforce Department is working with Solicitor's offices in the region to refer at-risk youth, to a Workforce Center. The services will assist youth ages 16 to 24 in getting training and/or jobs to allow them to get their lives back on the right path. Ms. Vivian McGhaney inquired if youth in the Sumter School District's Alternative School (Brewington Academy) would be eligible for this service. Mr. McKinney responded the program is funded through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and there are specific guidelines; however, he would inquire if the alternative schools were eligible.

**11.Old Business: N/A**

**12.New Business: N/A**

- 13.Executive Session:** There was no Executive Session; however, Chairman Windham noted for general awareness that the review of the Executive Director, contract would be presented at the June 3, 2019 meeting. Chairman Windham also reiterated that the proposed by-laws updates tabled earlier in the meeting will be reviewed at the June board meeting, once the Executive Committee has reviewed additional proposed revisions. Chairman Windham stated that if any board has any questions/ concerns, they should contact Mr. McKinney before the next board meeting.

- 14.Chairman's Remarks:** Chairman Windham recognized and introduced the newly appointed board member from the City of Sumter, City Councilman Mr. Steve Corley. Chairman Windham also re-emphasized the importance of committees and noted that he is currently working with Mr. McKinney to update committee assignments to ensure that all board

members are appointed to a committee and ensure fair jurisdiction representation across all committees.

**15.Adjournment:** Chairman Windham asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Sammie Tucker made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jim McCain seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The board meeting was adjourned at 6:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Christopher H. McKinney  
Executive Director



## CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC AND MEDIA NOTIFICATION

I, Dana Strock, as Clerk for the Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments Board of Directors, do hereby certify that public and media notification of the Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments Board of Directors Meeting for May 6, 2019 was given prior thereto by the following means:

<b>PUBLIC NOTIFIED</b>	<b>MANNER NOTIFIED</b>		<b>DATE NOTIFIED</b>
Yes	Agenda posted on board at 2525 Corporate Way, Suite 200 Sumter, South Carolina 29154		May1, 2019
<b>MEDIA NOTIFIED</b>	<b>MANNER NOTIFIED</b>		<b>DATE NOTIFIED</b>
Yes	Agenda mailed to local newspapers: Clarendon Citizen, Camden Chronicle Lee Observer, and the Item in Sumter		May 1, 2019
<b>PUBLIC HEARING</b>	<b>ADVERTISED</b>	<b>MANNER NOTIFIED</b>	<b>DATE NOTIFIED</b>

Respectfully Submitted

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Dana Strock  
Chief, Office Administration