



MINUTES

Spartanburg County Legislative Delegation Meeting
Monday, February 16, 2021
10:30 a.m.

A meeting of the Spartanburg County Legislative Delegation was held on Monday, February 16, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. in Blatt Building Room 108, located at 1105, Pendleton Street, Columbia, S.C. Chairman Shane Martin presided. The following members were present or absent as indicated:

Senator Tom Corbin – Absent
Senator Josh Kimbrell – Present
Senator Scott Talley – Present
Senator Shane Martin – Present
Senator Harvey Peeler – Present
Representative Rosalyn Henderson-Myers - Present
Representative Max Hyde, Jr. – Present
Representative Travis Moore – Present
Representative Roger A. Nutt – Present
Representative William Chumley – Absent
Representative Rita Allison – Present
Representative Steven Long – Absent
Representative Josiah Magnuson – Absent

In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of this meeting was mailed/emailed in advance to the local news media and other interested parties.

- I. Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.
- II. Opening prayer given by Rep. Nutt
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Chairman Martin gave a brief background on the process by which the nominees were selected:
 - o Due to the retirement of Judge Gordon Cooper, filing was opened to interested candidates to serve as Master-In-Equity in Spartanburg County.
 - o All candidates are screened by the Judicial Merit Selection Committee (JMSC).
 - o The JMSC is charged by law with ascertaining whether judicial candidates are qualified for service on the bench.
 - o After the screening process was completed, the JMSC found qualified and nominated four candidates, three of which withdrew, leaving Ms. Shannon Phillips.
- V. Chairman Martin asked if there were any additional questions for Ms. Phillips; there were none so the Delegation proceeded to a vote:
 - o A motion was made by Senator Kimbrell for a favorable report.
 - o The motion was seconded by Rep. Allison.
- VI. Chairman Martin asked if there was any other business that needed to be taken up by the Delegation:

- Rep. Allison stated that Spartanburg Regional Health System was celebrating its 100th Anniversary and in recognition she filed a Concurrent Resolution; once adopted in the House of Representatives it will be sent to the Senate for adoption.
- Rep. Nutt stated the Delegation was saddened to learn about the passing of SJWD Commissioner Johnny Sexton.
- Rep. Nutt went on to say that this seat will need to be filled at the earliest opportunity.
- Chairman Martin stated he would like for the Delegation to open the application process for a period of two weeks to accept potential candidates; the Delegation was in agreement.
- Chairman Martin wanted the Delegation to be aware that staff is currently looking at a few options for future meeting venues and he will keep the Delegation notified of progress.

VII. As there was no further business, Senator Talley moved the meeting be adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Shane Martin, Chairman

Attested: Debbie S. Culbreth

Date

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