

**GREENVILLE ARENA DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
MAY 27, 2025 – 4:00 pm
Bon Secours Wellness Arena
650 N. Academy Street
Greenville, SC 29601**

Present

GAD Board: Neetu Patel, Dante Russo, Amber Drummond, Buddy Dyer, Curtis Rose (Virtual), Kerry Lightner, Brittany Moore (Virtual), Barry Formanack (Virtual), Neil Smith

Greenville Arena District: Beth Paul, Adam Lambright, Kim Silvers

City of Greenville: Bill Foster

Guests: Fox 21 News – Brookley Cromer and Edwin Santamaria

Chairperson Neetu Patel called to order, for the purpose of doing business, the Greenville Arena District Board of Trustees, held at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena on May 27, 2025, at 4:00 PM.

Welcome

Mr. Patel welcomed guests.

Minutes

Mr. Patel proposed a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the regular board meeting on April 17, 2025, and the quarterly committee meetings: Capital Improvements & Community Relations on April 22, 2025, and Finance on May 20, 2025. Mr. Russo made the motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Smith. There was no opposition to the minutes.

Management Report

Ms. Paul shared the first reading of the FY26 Budget presentation. The proposed new budget is consistent with previous budgets without any major changes. The presentation shared 2026 Budget Principles and Anticipated Outcomes. Ms. Drummond asked about pre-show entertainment for the Blink 182 concert. Ms. Paul shared it was good and that we have created a new partnership with SoFar to provide pre-show entertainment to align local artists with featured artist. Ms. Paul provided the outstanding Debt Service and Capital Projects scheduled. Mr. Smith asked about what we are doing with the old arena seating, and Ms. Paul shared an estimated three thousand folding chairs will be given to the Greenville County School District. She mentioned the permanent arena seats are more challenging to give away because the replacement parts are no longer available. A vote on the FY26 Budget will be taken at the next monthly meeting on June 24, 2025. Any questions should be submitted by June 3, 2025, to Finance Committee Chair, Barry Formanack, and copy Ms. Paul and Mr. Lambright.

Finance Committee

Mr. Formanack stated the Finance Committee met last week and reviewed and recommended the reforecast and the proposed budget that was just shared.

Community Relations Committee

Ms. Drummond shared positive feedback on parking and traffic for Greenville County School Graduations and the turn-out for the Upstate Heroes Hike this past weekend.

Property Committee

Mr. Dyer had nothing new to report and stated updates were provided in the presentation by Ms. Paul.

Other Business

Mr. Patel asked if there was any other business to discuss.

No additional business was shared.

Executive Session

Mr. Patel stated there was no need for Executive Session.

Adjourn

Mr. Patel proposed a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Russo made the motion, and Ms. Drummond seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Greenville Arena District Board will be held at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena, 650 N. Academy Street, Greenville, SC 29601 on June 24, 2025, at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Neetu Patel, Chairperson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amber Drummond', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Amber Drummond, Secretary