

12th Class of Educational Foundation Ambassadors

March 22, 2018: The Lexington One Educational Foundation welcomed its 12th Class of Ambassadors at a program held at Gilbert High School on Thursday, March 22, 2018. Julie Anderson Washburn, executive director of the Foundation, said that “We are very pleased to have our new Foundation Ambassadors as a part of the Educational Foundation. They include business and community leaders in Lexington who will share with others all of the outstanding educational initiatives that the Foundation is supporting in Lexington School District One.”

New Foundation Ambassadors are:

- Rebecca Bass – GPS Parent Ambassador, MCEC/ Accounting
- Mayor Donnie Cason – Mayor Town of Gilbert, SC
- Jamie Dawson – PTO/SIC GES
- Joseph Hardee, Sr. (Joey) – Owner of Joey’s Subs & Sandwiches
- Lisa Keisler – Gilbert Ruritan Club, Barnes, Alford, Stork & Johnson/ Paralegal
- Randy Loper – GHS Athletic Booster Club
- Rev. Judson Merrell – GPS SIC member, Grace Lutheran Church/ Pastor
- Kim Patterson – GES Parent Liasion
- Allan Risinger – Senior Vice President/ Lexington County Executive, South State Bank
- Carolyn Shealy – SIC GES



- Nathan Taylor – SIC GMS, Vice President/ Palmetto Southern Inc.
- Charles & Jan Wingard – Vice President Field Operations/ WP Rawl & Sons
- Meredith Roof Yarborough – SIC member

That morning, Superintendent Dr. Greg Little gave a quick overview of the district’s new strategic plan; Chief Operations Officer Jeff Salters gave a presentation on projected growth in the district and the Gilbert area in the future; and Foundation Chair Simeon Bryant gave an overview of the Educational Foundation.



Mrs. Ann O’Cain, Principal of Gilbert High, was the last to speak. She gave an overview of GHS after everyone went on a tour of the school with GHS students. We learned that GHS will have expanded Advanced Placement course available to its students and that a Dual Enrollment relationship has been established with Midlands Technical College for GHS students to take college courses at no tuition cost in the future.

Our many thanks to GHS volunteers for being such wonderful hosts that morning to the Foundation!

If you or someone you know may be interested in becoming a Foundation Ambassador to the Lexington One Educational Foundation, please contact Julie Anderson Washburn, foundation executive director, at 803-821-1008 or jwashburn@lexington1.net.

