

**WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' CALLED MEETING
Monday, April 30, 2013 – 9:00 A. M.
Board/Staff Development Meeting Room
423 School Street – Kingstree, SC**

Members Present: Mrs. Barbara McKenzie, Rev. Alfred Darby, Rev. W. C. Henryhand, Sr., Ms. Norma Bartelle, and Dr. Linwood Cooper,

Members Absent: Rev. Norman Gamble and Mr. Joseph Lee

Others Present: Dr. Yvonne Jefferson-Barnes, Mrs. Claire Murdoch, Ms. S. Christine Green, Attorney Vernie Williams, and Mrs. Joann Fulton

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mrs. Barbara McKenzie.

After a Moment of Silence, all persons were asked to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Dr. Linwood Cooper to adopt the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously, (4-0).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Dr. Linwood Cooper that the Board convene in Executive Session to discuss items listed on the agenda.

- A. Employment/Personnel Matter**
- B. Legal Matters**

The motion was carried, unanimously, (4-0). The Board convened in Executive Session at 9:05 a. m.

OPEN SESSION

The Chair convened the Board in Open Session at 9:50 a. m. to vote on any matters per Executive Session discussion.

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Rev. W. C. Henryhand to reinstate the employee's status to administrative leave with pay, including any back pay to which the employee is entitled, until his case is resolved or through the current school year. Three members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Linwood Cooper, Rev. Alfred Darby and Rev. W. C. Henryhand, Sr. Two members abstained: Ms. Norma Bartelle and Mrs. Barbara McKenzie. The motion was carried unanimously, (3-0).

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Rev. W. C. Henryhand to accept the resolution to the Legislative Delegation which reads:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the School District of Williamsburg County, South Carolina (the "School District") has determined that numerous capital improvements are needed to property within the School District for the continued delivery of necessary and appropriate services to its students; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that one option for funding the capital projects is a successful referendum wherein a majority of the qualified electors of the School District approve the imposition of a one percent (1%) sales tax, the revenues of which will be used to fund the costs of the capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, in order for a special sales tax to be imposed, legislation sponsored by the Williamsburg County Legislative Delegation will have to be introduced and adopted by the South Carolina State Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board respectfully requests that the Williamsburg County Legislative Delegation sponsor legislation which would:

a) allow the imposition of a special one percent (1%) sales tax throughout Williamsburg County, upon a successful referendum;

b) provide that the proceeds of such a sales tax could be used to pay proposed debt service on general obligation debt to be issued pursuant to a successful bond referendum of the School District or to fund School District capital improvements; and

c) provide, if decided by the Board, that the proceeds of such a sales tax could be used to pay proposed debt service on general obligation debt to be issued pursuant to a successful bond referendum.

2. The Board directs that a copy of this Resolution be delivered to the Williamsburg County Legislative Delegation.

The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0).

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Ms. Norma Bartelle to accept the auditor's contract for the upcoming school year. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0).

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Ms. Norma Bartelle to approve the Tax Anticipation Note. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0).

A motion was made by Ms. Norma Bartelle and seconded by Rev. W. C. Henryhand to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously, (4-0). The Chair did not vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a. m.

There is a difference in vote, because Ms. Norma Bartelle arrived late for the meeting.

Submitted by: Jana M. Fulton Date: May 21, 2013

Board Secretary: Alfred Darby Date: May 21, 2013