

Williamsburg County School Board of Trustees
Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 22, 2024 – 6:00 PM
Public Service Administrative Building – Council Chambers 1st Floor
201 W. Main Street – Kingstree, South Carolina 29556

Members Present: Marva B. Cannon, Rev. Jerry L. Dicks, Mike Floyd, Mack Burgess, Rev. Alfred Darby, Dr. Janice M. Gamble and Carletta Scott Isreal

Member Absent: N/A

Others Present: Joseph McCullough, Ernest Young, Dr. Myron Davis, Jackie Hailes, Dr. Kelvin Wymbs, Vernie Williams, Amanda Dorris, Robert Cooper, Jr., Kimber Cooper, Rachel Cooper, Robert Cooper, Maurice McCrea, Crystal McCrea, Donta McCrea, Crystal McCrea Thomas Barr, Sr., and Chewanda Barr, Chase Murphy, H. Murphy

Meeting Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Marva B. Cannon at 6:00 pm. The secretary confirmed the Establishment of Quorum, and the chair confirmed the Notification of Media.

Welcome

The chair welcomed all present to the meeting.

Moment of Silence

Rev. Dicks asked all persons to observe a Moment of Silence.

Pledge of Allegiance

All persons were asked to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made to approve the April 22, 2024, consent agenda by Rev. Dicks and seconded by M. Burgess. The motioned was carried.

Action Items

Approval of Meeting Minutes – A motion was made to approve the March 25, 2024, board minutes by Dr. Gamble and seconded by Rev. Darby. The motion was carried.

Public Participation

There was not public comment.

Recognition of Board Member

M. Cannon, board chair, recognized the late Mr. Heyward Baker, District 6, and reflected on his service to our scholars, board and community.

Thought of Today

Rev. Dicks shared the Thought for Today.

i-Ready Presentation

Amanda Dorris, Director of Testing and Accountability, presented the i-Ready assessment data from Fall 2020- Spring 2024 for Math and English/Language Arts (ELA) from schools across the district. Also, shared Fall 2023 to Spring 2024 Placement Results and SC READY South Carolina College-and Career-Ready Assessments for Math and ELA. Dr. Dorris concluded her presentation recognizing schools for exceptional performance on assessments.

Student Spotlight

Dr. Davis, Executive Director of Public Relations, recognized Robert A. Cooper, Hemingway High School and Maurice McCrea, Kingstree High School with a video presentation, prepared by the students, to recognized their accomplishments. Each student was presented with a certificate from the superintendent.

Recommendation of Policy BID

A motion was made by Rev. Dicks to recommend policy BID and seconded by Rev. Darby. The motion was carried.

Board Items

Rev. Darby expressed his concerns about the behavior of attendees at high schools' graduations and C. Isreal requested delays of May meetings with state department, if possible, during testing. Dr. Wymbs acknowledged the work of the late H. Baker, recognized Dr. Davis for spotlighting our scholars, and encouraged parents to ensure students are ready for testing. M. Cannon provided an overview of future expectations as the school district moves forward to support the overall success of our scholars.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the April 22, 2024, meeting by Rev. Dicks and seconded by Rev. Darby. The motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Board Secretary: _____
Carletta Scott Isreal, Board Secretary

Date: _____

Board Chair: _____
Marva B. Cannon, Board Chair

Date: _____