

**WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
CALLED BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
Monday, March 9, 2015 – 6:00 P. M.
Kingtree Middle School Commons Area
615 Martin Luther King Avenue – Kingtree, SC 29556**

Members Present: Rev. Alfred Darby, Dr. Linwood Cooper, Mrs. Gladys Dorsey, and Dr. Kerry Singleton

Others Present: Mrs. Carrie C. Brock, Dr. Bernice D. Cooper, Mr. Glen Kennedy, and Mrs. Joann Fulton

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Rev. Alfred Darby.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

All persons were asked to observe a Moment of Silence; and to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Dr. Linwood Cooper and seconded by Dr. Kerry Singleton to adopt the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously (4-0).

INFORMATION ITEMS

WCSD Students Participate in Mock Trial Competitions

On Nov. 8, 2014, all Williamsburg County School District middle schools participated in the Middle School Mock Trial Competition. The Coastal Regional Competition took place at the Conway Courthouse in Horry County. In the competition, students presented the prosecution and defendant sides of a fictitious case before a panel of local volunteer lawyers and judges. Additionally, students filled the roles of attorneys, witnesses, bailiffs and timekeepers. Each team was judged on its presentation skills, rather than the legal merits of the case. Board Members presented a Certificate of Recognition to each student listed below.

C.E. Murray Middle:

Malcolm Gamble, Saida Tisdale, Kaitlyn Kieley, Kinandah Williams - Teacher Coach: Mr. John Carey – Attorney Coach: Attorney Adrian Dukes, Esq.

Hemingway M. B Lee Middle School:

Taylor McCullough, Makhia Johnson, Tamera Barkers, Zyon Dollard, Taylor McCullough, Marliezja Hanna, Janiah Williams
Teacher Coach: Ms. Mary Owens, Attorney Coach: Attorney Doward Harvin, Esq.

Kingtree Middle School:

Cherish Porchea, Deauria McElveen, Jada McCollough, Caribbean Battle, Cherish Porchea, Shailah Little, Alanna Pressley, and Ta'Koya Dorsey. Teacher Coaches: Ms. Ardrina Wise and Ms. Samantha Tanner. Teacher Coach Assistant: Ms. Sarah McFadden. Attorney Coaches: Attorney Mark Wise and Attorney Charlotte Wise.

WCSD Students and Teachers Recognized by Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)

The following Williamsburg County School District Students and teachers were recognized by members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars during a banquet on March 5, 2015. More than fifty students from the school district participated in the VFW's written and oratorical essay contests. Winners are listed below. Students: Heather Brockington, Zaria R. Thompkins, Michella A. McFadden, and Kionne C. Epps. Teachers: Mrs. Jennifer M. Brown and Mrs. Vernishia Hunter. Board Members presented Certificates of Recognition to the students and teachers.

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Hemingway High School Receives America's Farmers Grow Communities Donation

Hemingway High School received a \$2,500 donation from Hemingway farmers Wardie and Sybil Collins and America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund. Board Members presented a Certificate of Recognition to Hemingway High School Principal, Mr. Levi Keith.

WCSD Recognizes Senior Basketball Athletes

Board Members congratulated and presented Certificates of Recognition to senior members of the three high schools boys' and girls' basketball teams for a successful season. **C. E. Murray High School:** Damian Berry, Alexander Bradley, Martin Bufkin, Sierra Dover, Shaun Dover, Kashawn Edwards, Monica Hamlet, Lamar Robinson, Monique Tisdale, and Lasabra Wilson. **Hemingway High School:** Latanya Barr, TaKayla Brown, Kristen Cooper, Marquis Hampton, Clarence Jones, Jaquan Langley, Dontre Mack, Diamond McFadden, De'Montre' Platt, D'Netric Pressley, Zachery Thomas, and Phillip Williams. **Kingstree Senior High School:** Dedrake Epps, LaCapers Gainey, Joneika Lewis, Dyshane Murphy, Dashanique Peterson, and Malik Singletary.

WCSD's District III Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Winners

Congratulations were extended, and Certificates of Recognition presented, to School District winners of the South Carolina Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) District III Competitive Events. These students will be given the opportunity to compete at the FBLA State Leadership Conference during March 20-21, 2015 in Charleston, SC. **Kingstree Senior High School:** Jonathan Chestnut, Destinee Gainey, Samantha McCrea, Saleah McFadden, Niyera Barr, Terick Johnson, Quintell Wagener, Essence McClary, Kiana Miller, Imoni Williams, Randall Wilson, Jacquelyn Fulmore, Essence White, Jyria Tisdale, and Imonte Williams. **C. E. Murray High/Middle School:** Jasmine McClary, Onyx Bynum, Destiny Williams, Raesha Thompson, Nashuan Bryant, Kerry Singleton, Malcolm Gamble, Tyreik Davis, Morgan Randolph, Nigel Johnson, Latron Robinson, Morgan Greene, Khalil Anderson, Aaliyah Williams, Kiandra McCrea, Na-Dya Gamble, Devin Paulin, D'Andre Robinson, LeBrent Thompson, Joshua Traylor, Jarezz Hugee, Christopher Moses, and Anthony Wilson. **Hemingway High School:** Dmitri Platt, Andrea Pressley, and Sasha Verner.

National Career Development Poster & Poetry Contest 2014-15 Regional Winners

C. E. Murray High School had two students to place in the Senior Division of the 2014-2015 Waccamaw Poster & Poetry Contests. Regional winners participated in the State events; and the State winner will now proceed to the National Level Competition. Mrs. Kathleen Felder is the Career Specialist for CEM, and Mrs. Hester Gadsden is the Director of Career and Technology Education. Board Members presented Certificates of Recognition to the following students: Tyshaun Johnson (Regional and State) and Amoria Rush (Regional).

WCSD Food Service Director to Attend USDA's Produce Safety University (PSU)

Mrs. Nicole Giles, Food Services Director, was accepted to attend USDA's Produce Safety University (PSU) during the week of April 13-17, 2015, in Sacramento, California. The goal of PSU is to help school foodservice staff identify and mitigate food safety risks in fresh produce purchased from a range of sources, including traditional suppliers, farmers, and the DOD Fresh program.

The curriculum addresses applying safety standards, such as Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs), in writing specifications for fresh and fresh-cut produce, and negotiating with local farmers. Participants learn to assess produce upon receiving to ensure that the produce meets bid specifications.

Upon completion of the course, graduates will receive a USDA Certificate of Completion, a School Nutrition Association certificate for 21 continuing education hours, and PSU training materials. Mrs. Giles received a Certificate of Recognition from the Board of Trustees.

The Board Chair, Rev. Alfred Darby asked for a Moment of Silence for Mrs. Barbara McKenzie in the loss of her daughter and grandchild.

Rev. Darby stated that students would be honored, in the future, during a Special Called Board Meeting. He then recognized all parents; then faculty and staff members.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Linwood Cooper and seconded by Dr. Kerry Singleton to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p. m.

Submitted by: Joyana M. Fulton Date: 3-23-15

Board Secretary: Dr. Linwood Cooper Date: 03/23/15