

Williamsburg County School Board of Trustees
Board Workshop ~ Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 17, 2022 – 6:00 PM
Professional Development Room
500 N. Academy Street – Kingstree, South Carolina 29556

Members Present: Marva Cannon, Rev. Jerry Dicks, James Dukes, Jr., Heyward Baker, Martin Cunningham, Rev. Alfred Darby, and Carletta Scott Isreal

Member Absent: Mike Floyd

Others Present: N/A

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

Welcome

The chair welcomed all present to the meeting.

Moment of Silence

Ms. Cannon asked all persons to observe a Moment of Silence.

Thought of Today

Marva Cannon shared the Thought for Today.

Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by James Dukes, Jr., and seconded by Heyward Baker to adopt the revised consent agenda to add Board Items for the next board meeting after Board Policy Review and Update. The motion was carried unanimously.

Pledge of Allegiance

All persons were asked to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Policy Review & Update

Draft will be removed from all sections of the board policies and replaced with the date once approved by the board.

BA: Board Operational Goals - accepted as written

BAA: Board Self-Evaluation – first paragraph second sentence shall read, “to that end, the board will conduct annual self-evaluations during the board retreat.” Third sentence will read, “The results of the self-evaluation will be reviewed each year in May and used to establish board goals for the following year.”

BB: Board Legal Status – accepted as written

BBA: Board Powers and Duties page 2 – Visits to Schools – first sentence will read, “Board members will visit schools with full knowledge and in advance with the superintendent. In addition to adding the following statement: The superintendent or designee will contact the building administrator. It was the consensus of

the board to seek further clarification to the second paragraph under the subtitle Visits to Schools from the South Carolina School Boards Association (SCSBA) legal counsel.

BBAA: Board Member Authority and Responsibilities – accepted as written

BBAA-R: Board Member Authority and Responsibilities subtitle **Requesting Information** – Second paragraph insert the following at the end of the first sentence: “Such request should go through the board chair.” Subtitle Requesting the Addition of Items to the Board Meeting Agendas second sentence select “a majority of”.

BBB: Board Membership/Election – accepted as written

BBBA: Board Member Qualifications – accepted as written

BBBC: Board Member Resignation – accepted as written

BBBE: Unexpired Term Fulfillment/Vacancies – accepted as written

BC: Board Member Conduct – accepted as written

BCA: Board Member Code of Ethics – accepted as written

BCB: Board Member Conflict of Interest – accepted as written

BD: Organization of the Board: first paragraph will add the parliamentarian as an elected officer to the board. In the second sentence insert 4th Monday. The month in which it happens will be referred to legal counsel for clarification. Second paragraph insert parliamentarian as an officer. The fourth paragraph insert one and remove the second sentence. Legislative representative will be appointed by the board chair. Subtitle election process second paragraph second sentence will read “Voting will be conducted by a show of hands.”

BD-R: Organization of the Board page 2 subtitle Duties of the Parliamentarian – The parliamentarian will be a board member, removed “or a member of the administrative staff appointed by the board”

BDD: Board-Superintendent Relationship – accepted as written

BDE: Board Committees – accepted as written

BDF: Advisory Committees – accepted as written

BDF-R: Advisory Committee – School Improvement Councils – accepted as written

BDG: Board Attorney/Legal Services –The board may ask the attorney to attend board meetings. Remove “or other meetings as may be needed.”

BDG-R: Board Attorney/Legal Services – accepted as written

BDH: Board Consultants – accepted as written

BE: Board Meetings – subtitle annual meeting first sentence insert 4th Monday, November, subtitle regular board meetings insert 500 North Academy Street, Kingstree, SC 29556, fourth, 6:00. Second sentence insert 8:00. Add a third sentence to read “There is no meeting held in December.” Subtitle work sessions add at the end of the first steps, “as needed.”

BEC: Executive Sessions/Open Meetings – accepted as written

BEDA: Board Meeting Notification – accepted as written

BEDB: Board Agenda – Second paragraph third sentence insert “ten.” Fifth sentence select “a majority of.”

BEDF: Voting Method at Board Meetings – first paragraph will remove the second sentence

BEDG: Minutes of Board Meetings – second paragraph fourth bullet point insert 10

BEDH – Public Participation at Meetings – subtitle agenda items first paragraph second sentence insert “sixth”

BEDI: News Media Services at Board Meetings - accepted as written

BEBL: Board Members and Electronic Communications – Third paragraph remove parenthesis, the word option and italicized text.

BEDM: Electronic Participation in Board Meetings – accepted as written

- BEDN: Board Members' Use of District-Owned Portable Devices** – accepted as written
- BEE: Public Hearings** – accepted as written
- BG/BGD: Board Policy Process/Board Review of Administrative Rules** – accepted as written
- BG/BGD-R: Board Policy Process/Board Review of Administration Rules** – accepted as written
- BIA/BIB: New Member Orientation/Board Member Development Opportunities** – accepted as written
- BID – Board Member Compensation and Expenses** – First paragraph second sentence insert \$400 and \$600. Third sentence insert the following after the word reimbursement “at the state per diem rate” and remove “will not exceed 20 cents per mile.
- BIE: Board Member Insurance/Liability** – accepted as written
- BJ: Board Legislative Program** – accepted as written
- BJ-R: Board Legislative Program** – accepted as written
- File: BJ-E: Advocacy Calendar** – accepted as written
- BK: Board Membership in Professional Development Associations** – accepted as written

Board Items - Next Board Meeting Agenda

Heyward Baker informed the board that Senator Ronnie Sabb and Representative Cezar E. McKnight were invited to attend the March 28, 2022, board meeting. Both accepted the invitation to attend the next school board meeting to discuss pending legislation.

Chair shared once secretary has completed the minutes with the board’s update to the policies, then it will be sent to the attorney for review in preparation for the 1st reading at a regular scheduled board meeting.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Rev. Jerry L. Dicks to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Board Secretary: _____
 Carletta Scott Isreal, Board Secretary

Date: _____

Board Chair: _____
 Marva B. Cannon, Board Chair

Date: _____