

**WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD'S PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 10, 2017, 5:00 P.M.
Board/Staff Development Meeting Room
423 School Street – Kingstree, SC 29556**

Members Present: Dr. Linwood Cooper, Rev. Alfred Darby (Ex-Officio), and Ms. Barbara McKenzie

Member Absent: Mrs. Gladys Dorsey

Other Board Member Present: Mr. James Dukes, Jr.

Others Present: Ms. Carrie Brock, Mr. Michael Barrineau, Ms. Judy Barr, Mr. David Pressley, Ms. Johnny Thompson, and Mrs. Bonnie Grimsley

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Dr. Linwood Cooper

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 Ms. Barbara McKenzie and seconded by Rev. Alfred Darby to adopt the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously, (3-0).

INFORMATION ITEM

Request from the Cades High School Alumni Association

Ms. Carrie Brock, Superintendent, asked the representative from Cades School Alumni Association to present information to Committee Members. Ms. Judy Barr, President of the Cades Alumni Association, expressed concerns that the Association had been trying to lease or purchase the property for several years, and wanted to know the status of their request. She said the Association wished to use the first two halls and the gymnasium. Ms. Brock reminded the Committee that water at the school was not approved by DHEC, and that there is a sinkhole in the cafeteria area at Cades. She indicated that conditions of the facility had not improved over the years. There was also a question on the school district's liability should an accident occur on parts of the campus that would not be used by the Association. It was determined that the question was a legal issue.

Dr. Cooper asked if the Association had submitted their 501(c) status paperwork to the Superintendent. Ms. Barr responded that the Association had not submitted the paperwork, but had applied for the status. Dr. Cooper suggested the Association complete that process as soon as possible, and submit a copy to the Superintendent.

Request from Battery Park School Alumni Association

Ms. Johnny Thompson, President of Battery Park School Alumni Association, shared that her presentation was a follow-up to her letter of September 15, 2017, requesting that the school district assist them financially with the repairs of the Battery Park School building, especially the gymnasium. She stated that E-911 wants to use the building as a shelter, but the storm took off the roof. Ms. Thompson stated to apply

for large grants, the Association must be 85% owners of the building. She stated that an adjuster informed her that the district had insurance on the gym and would make repairs. Ms. Brock explained that no funds were received from the insurance for Battery Park. She continued that insurance funds were not received for buildings not occupied by students.

Mr. David Pressley expressed concerns that Association Members were using their personal funds for repairs, utilities, etc. on the building.

A suggestion was made to form a community of partners to make repairs, i.e. U. S. Department of Agriculture, WCSD, and the local Battery Park Community, to add to grant funds for the completion of the repairs.

Kingstree Middle Magnet School – Teacher’s Parking Lot

Ms. Brock informed the Property Committee Members that preparations are being made to pave the new teachers’ parking lot for Kingstree Middle Magnet School. Estimates for the construction, paving and engineering consulting have been received in the Office of Facilities Management.

Veterans of Foreign Wars - Property Deed

Ms. Brock noted that the property which was deeded to the Veterans of Foreign Wars had been surveyed, and the district is waiting for the deed, which is being prepared by the school district’s attorney.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Dr. Linwood Cooper to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously, (3-0). The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Submitted by: Bonnie Grimsley Date: 10-23-17

Committee Chair: [Signature] Date: 10/23/17