

Williamsburg County School Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 23, 2014 – 6:00 P. M.
Board/Staff Development Meeting Room
423 School Street - Kingstree, South Carolina

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

Others Present: Dr. Yvonne Jefferson-Barnes, Mr. Glen Kennedy, Mr. Stanley Brunson, Mrs. Claire Murdoch, Mr. Mark Easterling, Ms. Angela McClary-Rush, Ms. Lenora Caldwell, and Mrs. Joann Fulton

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mr. Joseph Lee.

Moment of Silence

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

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Mrs. Barbara McKenzie and seconded by Rev. Norman Gamble to adopt the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote.

Public Comment

Ms. Lenora Caldwell, a member of the Cades High School Class of 1979, wanted to know when a decision would be made on Cades Alumni Association's request to use the former Cades-Hebron Elementary School for a community center. She was informed that the item was on the agenda for discussion that evening.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mrs. Barbara McKenzie and seconded by Ms. Norma Bartelle to approve minutes from the May 27, 2014, Board Budget Committee and Regular Board Meetings. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote.

WCSD Students, Winners in the 2014 Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) Drawing Contest

Claude Blackwell, a 6th grade student at Williamsburg County Magnet School of the Arts, won 2nd place in the SC Department of Education's FFVP Drawing Contest, with his drawing entitled "Fall for Fruits and Vegetables"; and Carlos Cooper, Jr., a 5th grade student at Hemingway Elementary School, won honorable mention for his drawing entitled, "Fruits and Vegetables Hold the Key to 'Good' Health."

Board Members presented students with certificates and letters from the South Carolina Department of Education.

ISI Professional Services' Proposal to Provide Mobile Dental Care Services

Board Members received information from ISI Professional Services, LLC (ISI) and their partner, Onsite Health, regarding a proposal they'd submitted to provide Mobile Dental Care Services to Williamsburg County School District.

Dr. Jefferson-Barnes informed the Board that the income-based initiative was being funded through a federal grant. She said the program proposes to hire a dental hygienist and possibly a dentist from the county, to provide services via a rotary mobile unit.

Instruction

A summary of the Summer Institute for Educators was included in Board agenda books. The district's strategic plan was also included.

Student Services

Mr. Kennedy stated that there was no additional information since the last Board Meeting. He stated there was a significant decrease in high school discipline within the past one to two years. There were also discussions on: a Bible class as an elective, and district summer school programs.

Administrative Services

Information relevant to Administrative Services was provided with board agenda books.

Finance

Mr. Brunson presented the Expenditures and Revenues Reports.

The 2014-2015 Proposed Budget

A recommendation was made by Rev. Alfred Darby that the Board approve the 2014-2015 balanced budget. The recommendation was approved unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote.

Refunding Resolution

A motion was made by Rev. Norman Gamble and seconded by Dr. Linwood Cooper to approve the Refunding Resolution. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote.

Tax Anticipation Note (TAN) Resolution

A motion was made by Rev. Norman Gamble and seconded by Dr. Linwood Cooper to approve the Tax Anticipation Note (TAN) Resolution. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote.

C. E. Murray High School's Field Trip Request

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Mrs. Norma Bartelle to consider Items C-D, Field Trip Requests, collectively. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote.

A motion was made by Mrs. Norma Bartelle and seconded by Rev. Alfred Darby to approve Items C-D. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote. The following field trips were approved:

- C. E. Murray High School's Business Department to Nashville, TN, June 28 – July 3, 2014
- Williamsburg County Magnet School of the Arts' Special Education to Orlando, FL, July 11-12, 2014

Audit Proposal

A motion was made by Rev. Norman Gamble and seconded by Mrs. Barbara McKenzie to approve McGregor and Company's proposal to provide auditing services for the 2014-2015 school year. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote.

ACT155 Diploma Petitions

A motion was made by Ms. Norma Bartelle and seconded by Mrs. Barbara McKenzie to accept the administration's recommendation to approve the ACT 155 Diploma Petitions presented to the district. The motion was carried unanimously, (5-0). The Chair did not vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mrs. Barbara McKenzie and seconded by Rev. Norman Gamble to convene in Executive Session to discuss items listed on the agenda.

- A. Discussion of Election, Transfer, Termination, Retirement and/or Resignation of Staff
- B. Legal Updates
- C. Superintendent's Evaluation
- D. Facilities Request
- E. Contractual Matters

The motion was carried unanimously, (6-0). The Chair did not vote. The Board convened in Executive Session at 7:04 p. m.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Mrs. Barbara McKenzie and seconded by Rev. Norman Gamble to convene in Open Session to vote on any matters per Executive Session discussion. The motion was carried unanimously, (6-0). The Chair did not vote. The Board convened in Open Session at 7:43 p. m.

A motion was made by Dr. Linwood Cooper and seconded by Rev. Alfred Darby to accept the resignations of the following personnel for the 2014-2015 school year: Ms. Dorris Amanda, Ms. Valerie Johnson, and Ms. Blondell Singleton. The motion was carried unanimously, (6-0). The Chair did not vote.

A motion was made by Dr. Linwood Cooper and seconded by Ms. Norma Bartelle to accept the administration's recommendation to employ the following personnel for the 2014-2015 school year: Ms. Taylor Bacon, Ms. Katneshia Boyd, Ms. Teresa Brown, Ms. Kathleen Cormier, Ms. Amanda Ferrera, Ms. Olivia Foy, Ms. Joan Hanna, Mr. Steven Harrison, Ms. Margaret Hillman, Ms. Amanda Kulkinski, Ms. Jessica McCrea, Mr. Sean McKelvie, Ms. Samantha Tanner, Mr. Henry Watson, Ms. Katherine Watson, and Ms. Katelyn Young. The motion was carried unanimously, (6-0). The Chair did not vote.

Rev. Gamble said the appraisal of school district properties had not been completed, and that the Board would make decisions as soon as the administration finished the process.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Rev. Alfred Darby and seconded by Mrs. Barbara McKenzie to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously, (6-0). The Chair did not vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p. m.

Note: There is a difference in votes because Rev. W. C. Henryhand, Sr. arrived at the meeting late.

Submitted by: Joanna M. Fulton Date: 8/25/14

Board Secretary: [Signature] Date: 8/25/14