

Williamsburg County School Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 24, 2022 – 6:00 PM
Professional Development Room
500 N. Academy Street – Kingstree, South Carolina

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

Members Absent: N/A

Others Present: Brandon Alter, TY Williams, Kimberly Brown, Ernie Young, and 81 participants on the Zoom Video Conference Call

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.

Moment of Silence

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

Thought of Today

Ms. Cannon shared the Thought for Today.

Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. James Dukes, Jr. and seconded by Rev. Jerry Dicks to adopt the consent agenda. The motion was carried (6-1) with one abstention.

Pledge of Allegiance

All persons were asked to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Good News & Presentation

Ms. Cannon informed the board of the December 9, 2021, meeting with Superintendent Spearman, her staff, and three members of the board to begin the transition process of returning the school district back to the local board. There was discussion on how and what this process would entail.

Ms. Cannon shared that the South Carolina School Board Association (SCSPA) recognized Rev. Darby for serving on the board for 10 consecutive years. He will receive a certificate and a pin in the mail. Rev. Dicks was recognized by the SCSBA for a total of 15 years of service. He will receive a certificate and pin in the mail.

Public Participation

There were no public comments.

Action Items

There were no action items.

Board Items

Ms. Cannon shared that Heyward Baker will serve as the Legislative Liaison to the board. In this capacity, he will provide legislative updates at board meetings and serve as the spoken person between the board and the local delegation. There were additional updates for board members to govern themselves according to the SC Ethnic Commission and Ethnical Principals provided by the SCSBA.

Work session to update school board policies will be held on February 9, 2022, at 6:00 PM.

Update from the Superintendent

Dr. Wilder, Superintendent, provided an update on the status of the school district. There was much discussion about information presented.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Rev. Darby and seconded by Rev. Dicks to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously, (7-0). The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Board Secretary: _____
Carletta S. Isreal, Board Secretary

Date: _____

Board Chair: _____
Marva B. Cannon, Board Chair

Date: _____