

Board Recap - 11/27/2017

Board Members in attendance: Cindy Bohn Coats, Rev. Chris Collins, Kate Darby, Todd Garrett, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Rev. Dr. Eric Mack, Michael Miller, Chris Staubes

3:00 p.m. Open Session

1) Board Election of Officers

1.1 Board Chair - The Board of Trustees re-elected Kate Darby as Chair by a 5-4 vote; Collins, Hollinshead, Mack, and Miller voted against the motion.

1.2 Vice Chair - The board re-elected Rev. Dr. Eric Mack as Vice Chair by a 9-0 vote.

3:10 p.m. Executive Session

2) Executive Session Items

2.1 Action Items from Nov. 13 Committee of the Whole Agenda

A. Property Matters

1. District 1 Contractual Matter
2. District 9 Contractual Matter
3. Other Contractual Matters
4. Contractual Matters
5. Personnel Matter - Cost of Living Adjustment
6. Substitute Rate Changes

2.2: Personnel Matter(s)

2.3. Student Transfer Appeal

2.4 Principal Appeal of Students Placement Decision

5:15 p.m. Open Session

3) Call to Order/Moment of Silence

4) Adoption of Agenda/Approval of Consent Items - The board voted 8-1 (Garrett opposed) to move Agenda Item 11.5 (District 3 Bus Lot) out of Consent Items and to be placed after Public Comments, and to approve the other four items on the consent agenda (11.1 - Frierson Montessori Proposal, 11.2 - Policy IKA Revision/First Reading - Grading/Assessment Systems, 11.3 - 2017-2022 Capital Program Sales Tax – Capital Maintenance Budget Reallocation, and 11.4 - 2017-2022 Capital Program Sales Tax - Technology Replacements and Upgrades Six-Year Plan Update).

5) Approval of Minutes

5.1: The board approved the following minutes by a vote of 8-0-1 (Jeffrey abstained).

A. Open Session Minutes – October 23, 2017

B. Open Session Minutes -- November 2, 2017 Special Called Meeting

C. Open Session Minutes -- November 13, 2017 Special Called Meeting

6) Approval of Executive Session Items

6.1

A. November 27 Executive Session Agenda Items

1. Personnel Matter - The board approved the evaluation of Superintendent Gerrita Postlewait by a 9-0 vote.

2. Student Transfer Appeal - The board voted 6-3 (Coats, Mack, and Staubes opposed) to overturn a Constituent District's ruling on a Student Transfer Appeal.

3. Student Placement Appeal - The board approved a recommendation to place a student at Turning Point Academy by a 9-0 vote.

B. November 13 Executive Session Agenda Items

1. District 1 Contractual Matter - The board voted 9-0 to direct District staff to enter negotiations for a contract to purchase property in District 1.

2. District 9 Contractual Matters - The board voted 7-2 (Garrett and Hollinshead opposed) to direct District staff to enter negotiations for a contract to purchase property in District 9.

3. Other Contractual Matters - The board voted 7-2 (Collins and Mack opposed) to direct District staff to enter negotiations to purchase cellphone tower equipment, and voted 8-1 (Coats opposed) to approve a contract modification with Durham School Services. The contract modification includes the installment of "DriveCam," a wireless camera system used to monitor and improve driver performance on buses, and a one-time payment increase of \$1.07 million for the current school year, and between \$40,000 and \$70,000 in each of the final two years of CCSD's contract with Durham.

4. Personnel Matter - Cost of Living Adjustment - The board approved by a 9-0 vote to increase school and district administrators' pay by 1%, bringing their Cost of Living Adjustment up to the same level teachers and District non-exempt staff members received to start the 2017-18 school year.

5. Substitute Rate Changes - The board approved by a 9-0 vote increase substitute teacher pay; changes include certified substitutes receiving \$14 per hour (up from \$10/hour), and non-certified substitutes receiving \$12.50 an hour (up from \$8/hour)

7) Special Recognition

7.1: A. P-Card Rebate - The CCSD Office of Procurement presented the district with a rebate check of \$192,451.97 from Bank of America. This is an annual check the District receives for using P-Cards.

B. Mark Cobb Memorial/Ron McWhirt Scholarship Golf Tournament - A check for \$14,966.60 was presented to the District to be used for scholarships for five CCSD seniors from the Class of 2018 (\$2,500 each). The money was raised at the 16th Annual Mark Cobb/Ron McWhirt Scholarship Golf Tournament at Coosaw Creek on October 18, 2017. The tournament has raised over \$178,000 in scholarship funds for CCSD students over the past 16 years.

8) Visitors/Public Comments

11.5) District 3 Bus Lot - The board rejected a recommendation by a 4-4 vote (Collins, Jeffery, Mack, and Miller opposed; Hollinshead was not present) to direct district staff to immediately construct a District 3 centralized bus lot on land adjacent to James Island Elementary School (JIES). The motion did not provide an alternative location for the state-required bus lot.

9) Superintendent's Report

9.1: A. Superintendent's Report - The Superintendent spoke briefly about how thankful she was for the opportunity to serve the students and staff of CCSD, and to work with the CCSD Board of Trustees. She also mentioned how she looks forward to working together with board members to move the District forward, and to improve student growth and achievement. She also shared with the Board the following:

1. Legislative Agenda - The Superintendent listed the following items for the Board and District's proposed legislative agenda for 2018.

- Act 388
- Board Compensation
- Scholarship Fund
- State-Owned Buses
- Hearing Officer Certification

2. Financial Statement - October 31, 2017

10) Committee Reports

Audit and Finance Committee

10.1 Annual Financial Statement Audit

The board received the Annual Financial Statement Audit as information. The audit is available [here](#).

11) Consent Agenda Items (approved by a vote in Adoption of Agenda/Approval of Consent Items)

11.1 Frierson Montessori Proposal - The board approved a recommendation to include the Edith L. Frierson Montessori Proposal in the FY19 budget process by a 9-0 vote, as long as all students who currently attend Frierson will have an opportunity to be placed in a Montessori classroom.

11.2 Policy IKA - Grading/Assessment Systems (first reading of revision) - The board approved the first reading of a revision to Policy IKA by a 9-0 vote. The South Carolina State Boards Association asked the district to update the language in the policy for the grading scale, which was revised in July 2017.

11.3 2017-2022 Capital Program (Phase IV) Sales Tax – Capital Maintenance Budget Reallocation - The board approving the recommendation, by a 9-0 vote, to reallocate funds to the following projects for FY2019 and FY2020:

- Exterior Envelope Project (pressure washing entire facility, inspection and repair of windows and doors on campus) at Gordon G. Garrett Academy of Technology - \$204,000
- Roof Project at North Charleston High School (Design) - \$40,000
- Roof Project at West Ashley High School (Design) - \$40,000
- Roof Project at Wando High School (Design) - \$249,000
- Roof Project at Ashley River Creative Arts Elementary School (Design) - \$58,203.75
- Painting Project at Gordon G. Garrett Academy of Technology (Design) - \$21,000
- Painting Project at Julian Mitchell Math and Science Elementary School (Design) - \$12,000
- Flooring Project at James B. Edwards Elementary School (Design) - \$17,000
- Flooring Project at St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle School (Design Corridors) - \$21,000
- Flooring Project at West Ashley High School (Design) - \$50,000

11.4 2017-2022 Capital Program (Phase IV) Sales Tax - Technology Replacements and Upgrades Six-Year Plan Update - The board approved, by a 9-0 vote, the 2017-2022 Capital Program (Phase IV) Sales Tax - Technology Replacement and Updates 6-year plan update. The projects will use \$34,009,564 in sales tax proceeds.

12) Other Business

12.1 Superintendent's Evaluation - The board approved, by a 6-0 vote (Garrett, Hollinshead, and Staubes were not present), a plan to conduct a workshop from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on January 8, 2018 during the Committee of the Whole Meeting, and if necessary, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on January 22, 2018 (before the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting) to finalize the content and format of the Superintendent's evaluation.

12.2 Constituent District Annual Reports for 2016-2017 - The board received the annual reports from the eight Constituent District Boards, as required by policy.

13) Other Agenda Items

13.1: Upcoming Meetings

December 11, 2017 - Committee of the Whole Meeting/Board of Trustees Regular Meeting at R.B. Stall High School

14) Adjournment