

**CCSD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
 SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING**

Minutes

May 8, 2017

75 Calhoun Street, Charleston, SC 29401

A special called meeting of the Charleston County School District Board of Trustees was held on Monday, May 8, 2017, in the board room at 75 Calhoun Street, immediately following the Committee of the Whole meeting.

The following CCSD board members were present: Mrs. Kate Darby – Chair, Rev. Eric Mack – Vice Chair, Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats, Rev. Chris Collins, Mr. Todd Garrett, Mr. Kevin Hollinshead, Ms. Priscilla Jeffery, Mr. Michael Miller, and Mr. Chris Staubes and Dr. Gerrita Postlewait, Superintendent of Schools and Executive Secretary.

The following staff members were present: Mr. Jeff Borowy, Mr. John Cobb, Mrs. Michele English-Watson, Dr. Valerie Harrison, Mrs. Terri Nichols, Mrs. Mary Runyon, Mr. Glenn Stiegman, Mrs. Erica Taylor, Dr. Joseph Williams, and Mr. Kim Wilson.

The news media was duly notified of the meeting and a reporter from The Post and Courier was present.

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order

Mrs. Darby called the Special Called Meeting of May 8, 2017 to order at 5:04 p.m. Then she called for a Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Executive Session Items

A. Student Transfers

Mrs. Darby moved, seconded by Mrs. Coats to approve student transfer appeals as follows, except for #11, 21, 26, 36 and 44. The vote was 7-0.

Mrs. Darby moved, seconded by Mr. Garrett to approve student transfers #11, 21, 26, 36 and 44. The vote was 4-3 (Coats, Mack and Staubes opposed).

Note: Mr. Hollinshead and Mr. Miller did not vote because they were not in the room during the vote.

Student Transfer Appeal Decisions

<i>Approve</i>	<i>Approve for Direct Placement</i>	<i>Uphold Constituent Board's Decision</i>
11, 14, 21, 22, 26, 28, 29, 36, 37, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, 53	2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 13, 17, 24, 31, 42	1, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 38, 39, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 54, 55

III. Public Comments

- Ms. Jennifer Osteen addressed the board in support of the principal at West Ashley High School. She also expressed concerns about the lack of support the school received to help reduce class size and address discipline issues. She urged the board to allow Principal Runyon to remain at the school
- Ms. Brook Newell appealed a student transfer denial to keep her son at Harborview Elementary.
- M. Kathryn Brown addressed the board in support of the principal at West Ashley High School.

4. Ms. Carlette Geddis addressed the board in support of the principal at West Ashley High School. Ms. Geddis stated that her daughter was bullied prior to attending to West Ashley High. She also appreciates the principal because he has an "open door" policy.
5. Ms. Ronald Ladson addressed the board to oppose the bus lot proposal for James Island residential area.
6. Mr. David Wagenbrenner expressed concerns about the principal at West Ashley High. Mr. Wagenbrenner spoke about discipline issues at the school and said his daughter was cyber-bullied.
7. Ms. Lisa Morelli, the PTA President at West Ashley High appealed to the board to keep the current principal. She urged the board to consider a mentor program and asked the board to provide resources to help address discipline issues at the school.

IV. Adjourn

Rev. Mack moved, seconded by Rev. Collins to adjourn the meeting at 5:24 p.m. The motion was approved by consensus.

Before adjourning, the board agreed to hold the August or September 2017 meeting at Baptist Hill Middle/High School.

CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Financial Attachments to Special Called Meeting for May 8, 2017

Item	Description		Impact on FY17	Impact on Future FY	Funding Source	Notes
	No action required					