

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charleston County School District was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2012 in the Board Room at 75 Calhoun Street with the following members of the Board present: Mr. Chris Fraser – Chair, Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats - Vice Chair, Mrs. Elizabeth Kandrac, Mrs. Elizabeth Moffly, Mr. Brian Thomas, and Dr. Nancy J. McGinley, Superintendent and Executive Secretary. Mrs. Ann Oplinger was absent. Mr. Craig Ascue arrived at 4:10pm and Rev. Chris Collins arrived at 4:12pm. Staff members Mr. Michael Bobby, Dr. Lisa Herring, Mrs. Audrey Lane, Mr. Bill Lewis, Mrs. Melissa Metarazzo, Dr. Brenda Nelson, and Mr. John Emerson were also in attendance.

The news media was duly notified of the meeting and representatives were present.

Mr. Fraser called the Open Session meeting of September 24, 2012 to order at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Mrs. Coats, to go into Executive Session to discuss agenda items listed below. The motion was approved unanimously.

1.1: Student Transfer Appeals – In County Requests

1.2: James Island Charter High School – Amendment of Bylaws

1.3: James Simons Montessori School – Mr. Michael Bobby – Chief Financial & Operations Officer

1.4: Appointment – Executive Director of Strategy and Communications

OPEN SESSION

II. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:15pm. Mr. Fraser called the meeting to order. Then he called for a Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Rev. Collins to accept the modified agenda of September 24, 2012. The motion was approved 7-0.

Also during the adoption of the agenda, the board approved the following agenda modifications:

- Mr. Ascue moved, seconded by Mrs. Coats to reclassify agenda item 10.2A - First Reading of Outsourcing Employees Policy as information. The motion was approved 6-1 Mrs. Kandrac opposed
- Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Rev. Collins to move agenda item 11.1 – Kiawah River Plantation TIF Proposal Presentation up on the agenda before item 8.1. Mrs. Kandrac asked the number of individual – Approved 6-1 Mrs. Kandrac opposed

Rev. Collins wanted to add the Cell Phone Acceptable Use Policy to the agenda. However, Mr. Fraser mentioned a recent Supreme Court ruling regarding amending board agendas. Rev. Collins said he emailed his request to both Mrs. Stoney and Mrs. Brightharp in advance. After Mr. Fraser said it could not be added to the agenda, Rev. Collins suggested the process was circumvented. However, Mrs. Coats said the policy exceeded the 60-day timeline. Therefore, it would have to come back to the board for a first reading. Mr. Fraser concluded that the item could not be added since it was not listed on the agenda that was posted.

Mrs. Moffly asked for clarification on agenda item 11.1 – The Kiawah River Plantation TIF Proposal Presentation. She said if the board did not take action, permission is automatically granted. Mr. Fraser said the Beach Company's presentation is for information purposes and action has not been taken by Charleston County Council on the Kiawah TIF. Mrs. Kandrac asked Mr. Bobby for confirmation. Mr. Bobby said when County Council takes action that would be considered the first reading. He suggested the board ask the TIF presenters. He is unaware of previous presentations to County Council. Mrs. Kandrac said Mr. Bobby has already informed the board that "no action is action" on the TIF. Mr. Bobby said by statute, no action is required if the board chose to not to

oppose the TIF. Mr. Fraser added that it is only after County Council takes action on the TIF.

IV. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Dr. McGinley shared the following with the board:

- A bus transporting students from Morningside Academy was involved in an altercation near the intersection where gun shots were fired. Many students were on the bus and witnessed the shooting. The bus driver reacted quickly and appropriately and all students were safely transported home. The communications team worked with the principal to send a Parentlink immediately to inform parents of the incident. Counselors were available to assist students at Morningside today.
- The Teacher of the Month program kicked off last week by asking principals, fellow teachers and parents to nominate a great teacher for the month of October. The program recognizes great teachers. This year, parents, community partners can visit the district's website or FaceBook page nominate a great teacher. Last year, the district honored 8 teachers.
- 2012 SAT Results were just released, CCSD scored higher than the state in all subject areas and average composite scores. Academic Magnet, Baptist Hill High, St. Johns High and Wando High all saw increases in their scores. The district increased in average score by 16 points since 2011.
- Trident United Way campaign ends Friday, September 28th. Employees are encouraged to make donations as this is part of the district's Vision 2016 partnership strategy. The goal this year is to raise \$125,000. Last year the district raised \$116,000.
- Yesterday's editorial about Sullivan's Island suggested a way to bridge the gap is to move the school to another location on the island. That option was discussed by staff two years ago. While viewers may see this as a viable option district staff discussed this option with the town previously. Dr. McGinley distributed a copy of the facts related to options for the new Sullivan's Island ES to the board and others interested.
- Staff members Ms. Betsy Reidenbach, Dr. Laura Donnelly, and Dr. Lerah Lee will present information on Literacy Efforts in CCSD and the progress the district is making.
- District is using free communication sources, Facebook and Twitter. To follow the district's Twitter Updates, the account number – 40404, then type FOLLOW CCSD SUPT. It is a great way to stay connected and get instant information when the Superintendent is out visiting schools or at important meetings.
 - Mrs. Moffly asked about Sullivan's Island information regarding approval of Ed Specs of 2008 as required by board policy. She requested the board approved Ed Specs for approval of the 500 student enrollment or nothing for elementary schools. Mrs. Moffly said the board did not have a policy that includes that language about building a school for 500 students or none at all and.
 - Mrs. Kandrac questioned Dr. McGinley said she was responding to the request to change the location of Sullivan's Island ES. The issue of Ed Specs was approved several times since she has been superintendent.
 - Mrs. Kandrac expressed concerns about not receiving information about the accident in the Friday Update. Although Dr. McGinley said Mr. Jason Sakran sent information about the accident that occurred at 4:45pm on Friday, Mr. Sakran did not provide the information until approximately 5:30-6:00pm on Monday. Mrs. Kandrac requested a copy of the update.
 - Mrs. Kandrac asked about ACT scores. Dr. McGinley said she reported on it in the spring 2012 and that there was a slight increase. However, staff could bring those results back to the board.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

VI. VISITORS, PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

1. Mr. Bob Bell addressed the board opposing the request for James Island Charter High School to amend the charter to address term limits for board members.
2. Ms. Chryse Jackson, Ms. Sammy Hiott, Ms. Melanie Jager, Ms. Paula Jones, and Mr. Ray Lackew, Low Country Leadership Charter School, addressed the board in support of their

- request to use the Schroder Middle School facility, free of charge.
3. Mr. Bryan Garvin addressed the board in opposition of the charter amendment. He stated that although the matter was discussed, it was not on the published agenda. Therefore, there was no opportunity for a parent or teacher comment on the item.
 4. Mr. John Barter addressed the board regarding the board's Performance Audit workshop he attended on September 17th. First, he commended the district's management and the board for looking at ways to make improvements. Then, he offered three observations. 1) performance audits are not needed identify imperfections, 2) Improvements come in two forms-- the district could bring someone to look study transportation, staff, insurance or other areas and gain some savings or take a long term approach to become an organization with continuous improvement, mapping a process and use as a roadmap to benchmark improvement in the area or payroll, accounts payable, hiring new teachers, etc. 3) He suggested that the Performance Audit that presented were not the right people to work through the process because they were all auditors. The district needs people that have been involved in process management and process engagement.
 5. Ms. Barbara Spell expressed concerns about the new Sullivan's Island Elementary facility, commented on the hiring of an attorney to address issues related to the referendum issue and shared the Supreme Court decision regarding the same. She supports of a smaller, less expensive school on Sullivan's Island.
 6. Mr. Jim Marianski, a resident of Sullivan's Island asked the superintendent to respond the Supreme Court ruling on the validity of a certified petition. He requested a copy of the information the superintendent shared earlier during the meeting.
 7. Mr. Thomas Colleton, a District 1 Constituent Board member, spoke on behalf of other constituent board members in support of the voluntary transfer process. He said it's evident that the current student transfer process is not working. He urged the County Board to approve the process that Constituent boards consented to work with so they could proceed to the next step.
 8. Ms. Marty Belk, the District 2 Constituent Chair, addressed the board in support of the student transfer process. She said Constituent Board members collaborated on the proposed student transfer process. While each constituent board has different needs, District 2 is flooded with student transfer requests throughout the year, every year. The proposed process would not change the district's transfer policy. Constituent board chairs and co-chairs worked on this process during workshops.

At this time, Mrs. Kandrak said the next Policy Committee meeting is on Tuesday, October 2nd at 9:15am at 75 Calhoun St. Mrs. Belk responded to questions from Rev. Collins about the meetings she mentioned stating that the last meeting was a week ago. Also she mentioned other meetings held to work on the process. Rev. Collins asked if this issue had been discussed with CCSD board members. Ms. Belk said the group met with Dr. McGinley, Chairman Fraser and Mrs. Coats.

Mrs. Moffly and Mrs. Kandrak expressed concerns about not hearing about it earlier. Mr. Fraser said it was discussed at previous board workshops.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

7.1: Open Session Minutes of September 10, 2012

Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Rev. Collins, approval of the Open Session Minutes of September 10, 2012. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-3 (Collins, Kandrak and Moffly opposed).

Mrs. Kandrak suggested the following:

- Page 1, Mrs. Kandrak was uncertain why Mr. Ascue stated he could have a conversation with the Board chair about a board member/elected official attending a conference. The names of four board members were not listed to place the item on

the agenda to begin with. She made reference to a board policy allowing board members to travel in-state to conferences or workshops. Also, Mrs. Kandrac said she didn't remember asking who wanted to block her from her from performing her duties as a board member.

- Page 8, agenda item 11.2 she asked which members were attending the conference and was told Mrs. Oplinger was attending the conference. She mentioned comments Mrs. Oplinger made and said she was not present to vote on the request.

Mrs. Moffly asked staff about plans to schedule a workshop to discuss school schedule and bus stop times. Mrs. Coats suggested the board identify date under the New Business agenda item. Mrs. Moffly also noted inaccuracies in the unauthorized procurement item notes were not accurate.

7.2: Motions of Executive Session of September 24,2012

The board voted on Motions of Executive Session of September 10, 2012 as follows:

1.1: Student Transfer Appeals – In County Requests

Mrs. Coats moved, seconded by Mrs. Kandrac, approval of in-county student transfer appeal requests were approved. The vote was 7-0.

1.2: James Island Charter High School – Amendment of Bylaws

Mrs. Moffly moved, seconded by Mrs. Kandrac to send the request back to JICHS to allow them to have a public meeting that has been advertised. . The vote was 7-0.

1.3: James Simons Montessori School – Mr. Michael Bobby

Mrs. Coats moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas approval of a recommendation approving the James Simons Montessori School Guaranteed Maximum Price for Package 3 "Building & Finishes" for M.B. Kahn Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$12,848,554.00. The funding source is the one (1) cent sales tax revenues. The vote was 7-0.

1.4: Appointment – Executive Director of Strategy and Communications

Mr. Ascue moved, seconded by Mrs. Coats, approval of a recommendation to appoint Ms. Erica Taylor as the new Executive Director of Strategy and Communications. The vote was 6-1 (Kandrac opposed).

Mrs. Kandrac opposed said she wanted to "see the candidate's SAT scores and do administer a writing test".

7.3: Financial Minutes of September 10,2012

Mrs. Coats said since the report was blank, the board did not vote on this agenda item.

After the Kiawah River Plantation TIF Proposal Presentation, at 6:40pm, the Board took a 10 minute break. The Board reconvened at 6:50pm with the same members present.

VIII. CAE UPDATE

8.1: Literacy Report – Ms. Betsy Reidenbach - Director of Literacy & Dr. Laura Donnelly – Director of Assessment, Dr. Lerah Lee - Director of Early Childhood

The Literacy Report is in response to Policy IHAAA. The 2011-12 school year was the second year CCSD operated under Policy IHAAA which formally established literacy as the highest educational priority. The policy, "Literacy Requirements and Intervention Policy", requires literacy interventions for students reading below-grade level and established that conditions for promotion be tied to reading proficiency and participation in established acceleration programs. The established accelerated pathways intervention programs include continuation of First Grade Academy (FGA) in 45 schools, Third Grade Academy (TGA) at 11 sites, and Sixth Grade Academy (SGA) at five sites.

- A. Number and Percentage of Students Reading Below Grade Level in Grades Three through Eight
- B. Response to Intervention – Certificate of Compliance by School
 1. Notification of the Parent/Legal Guardian – Principal Form Letter
 2. Individual Literacy Plan

3. School Based Literacy Plan
- C. Staffing, Professional Development, Program Supports, and Employee Accountability Needed to Remediate and/or Accelerate Student Literacy Pathways
- D. Report the Number of 10th, 11th, 12th Graders Not Passing the State Exit Exam
- E. Regulations Describing the Literacy Intervention Model
 1. Guideline for Promotion
 2. 2012 Results – First Grade Academy, Third Grade Academy, and Sixth Grade Academy
 - CCSD Students Reading At or Below Grade Level Data for Grades 3-8 based MAP scores show gains
 3. Conclusion

Dr. McGinley responded to Mr. Fraser's inquiry about administering a writing skill test. Also, she said there are students that should have been screened for IEPs in the tier-three program.

Mrs. Moffly said struggling students need to be identified and worked with during the school day.

Questions:

Rev. Collins asked about the possibility of eliminating the summer program by extending the school day monthly or bi-monthly. Mrs. Reidenbach said reasearh is being done on extended day programs. Rev. Collins suggested additional help for classroom teachers to allow teachers to get better results. Mrs. Reidenbach said they are addressing differentiation in the classroom and implement strategies to help in this area. Dr. McGinley said staff could bring information back to the board to say where students are. Also, she mentioned intervention partners are helping the districts – Americorps Project Hero and Book Buddies are helping with primary grades. Master teachers are assigned according to school needs.

Mrs. Ascue inquired about the amount of work that is being done in the area of math to close the achievement gap. Mrs. Reidenbach said scores are dramatically improving now teachers know the weaknesses of students after testing. In first grade academy when implemented two years ago, literacy impacted math scores. Dr. McGinley said Literacy is Reading, Writing, Math and Listening.

Mrs. Kandrak asked Mrs. Reidenbach and Dr. Donnelly to state their titles. Dr. McGinley said she introduced both earlier. Mrs. Kandrak asked of filling vacant positions. Mrs. Reidenbach shared the details. Mrs. Kandrak said she asked for information on ninth graders some time ago and has not received it yet. Mrs. Kandrak asked if colleges weren't preparing teachers to teach language arts. Mrs. Reidenbach said they have communicated with the college about it. The Literacy Consultant is Dr. Fitzharris who is communicating with the colleges about this issue. Mrs. Kandrak said the Citadel is doing something with Literacy. Dr. McGinley said CCSD had a successful partnership with the Citadel.

Dr. McGinley said today more knowledge is available on how to teach literacy. Dr. Fitzharris confirmed the same. After Dr. Fitzharris responded to Mrs. Kandrak's inquiry about research on information shared she offered to sit and talk with board members to answer questions. Mrs. Kandrak about intervention, whole language and phonics, etc. Mrs. Reidenbach shared information on assessments done to determine the student's level. The oral reading fluency test starts in first grade and is also done in sixth and seventh grades.

Mr. Thomas asked about ways to monitor and measure teachers that are ineffective. Mrs. Reidenbach said the Teacher Quality office is identifying them and they are taking courses in Professional Development. Dr. McGinley said Mrs. Lane is working on a project to import data for comparison reasons.

Dr. Lerah Lee, the Director of Head Start and Early Childhood reported on the first thirty days in Early Reading Program show a decline.

- Intervention - All CD teachers have been trained in all three modules of Emotional Literacy (PBIS for Preschool).
- Curriculum and Development – All CD teachers have completed the Creative Curriculum training and iPad training across the curriculum
- Principals and Administrators have been certified in the Classroom Assessment Scoring System for Pre-K.
- Online Gold training for monitoring and reviewing teacher and student data.
- Implemented Teach program for child care providers and teacher assistants
- Implemented the Protégé initiative.
- Analyzed Curriculum walkthrough data to determine teachers that need assistance.

Questions

Mrs. Moffly asked if learning was still fun for students. Dr. Lee said students are learning in a fun-appropriate way. Also EM asked if students were still napping at Child Development and Early Childhood levels. Dr. Lee confirmed.

Rev. Collins asked the names of all the Early Childhood programs. Dr. Lee said the Head Start program is in 45 elementary schools except for Ashley River and Buist Academy. Dr. McGinley said staff would send a chart to the board.

Mrs. Kandrak asked about education coordinators responsible for evaluations. Dr. Lee said they are Patricia Green and Olivia Dicks. Mrs. Kandrak asked how staff felt about pay for performance. Dr. Lee said she hasn't heard concerns.

Rev. Collins asked about the Child Find program. Dr. Lee said Rebecca Amerson works under Leadership of Ms. Cindy McCown. She could be contacted for more information.

Mrs. Kandrak inquired about voting Financial Attachment for July 23rd Board meeting. Mr. Fraser said it is brought back to the board as an information update. No action is required.

IX. MANAGEMENT REPORT(S)

X. COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

10.1: Audit & Finance Committee – Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats

A. Furniture Fixtures & Equipment (FF&E) Bulk Purchase-Learning Teaching Wall Modular Systems and Project Management Services – Mr. Michael Bobby – Chief of Financial & Operations Officer

Mrs. Coats moved, seconded by Mrs. Kandrak, approval of the recommendation to award an initial year contract with the option of four one (1) year renewals, to provide Learning Teaching Wall Modular Systems supporting the 2010-2016 Capital Building Program. The cost includes project management services, materials and installation The first year cost is \$1,136,673.78 (\$10,059.06 per classroom). The funding source is the 1% sales tax. This funding source will be utilized to support the FF&E requirements of the schools constructed under the 2010-2016 Capital Building Program. The vote was 7-0.

Note: This is the last item Mr. Fraser voted on at this meeting.

B. Agreement for the 2012-2013 School Resource Officer Program – Mr. Michael Bobby – Chief Financial & Operations Officer

Mrs. Coats moved, seconded by Mr. Ascue approval of the recommendation to approve agreements with Charleston County Sheriff's Offices – four (4) SROs provided, three (3) or which are partially funded by CCSD; City of Charleston – ten (10) SROs provided, six (6) partially funded by CCSD; City of North Charleston – Twelve (12) SROs provided, six (6) of

which are partially funded by CCSD; and Town of Mt. Pleasant – six (6) SROs provided, three (3) of which are partially funded by CCSD for the School Resource Officer Program for the 2012-13 school year. The total cost for 32 SROs and 4 Supervisors is approximately \$2.5 million at an average salary of \$55,000 per officer for 10 months with benefits, equipment. The funding source is 2012-13 GOF Budget, Security and Emergency Management. The vote was approved 4-2 (Kandrac and Moffly opposed).

Mrs. Moffly said the contracts went into effect at the beginning of the school year so this should have been brought before board for approval at beginning of the school year. She went on to say that they started working August 16th and cited that it is another unauthorized procurement issue.

Mrs. Moffly inquired about a COPs grant and the number of officers under that grant. Mr. Jeff Scott said this didn't have anything to do with the SROs. Mrs. Moffly asked about benefits and cost to part time officers. Mr. Scott said same as CCSD employees, health insurance, retirement, etc. The district isn't paying for the program, just supplementing for the program at 28-29%. Mrs. Moffly said it appears the district is paying benefits. Mr. Scott said that wasn't the case. Also, Mrs. Moffly asked why it appears elementary schools have been added to SROs. Mr. Scott said it was added to the workload for child abuse and other issues. He said North Charleston assigned one officer to work with elementary schools so high school officers don't have to leave their posts. Mrs. Moffly asked reason for contacting the police and kind of training the officers receive. Mr. Scott said they receive a week-long training at the Police Academy. Mrs. Moffly said they should protect student's rights so when it comes to questioning students for personal information, do they receive adolescent training. Mr. Scott said they do receive that training and they receive advanced SRO training. Mr. Fraser said Mrs. Moffly wouldn't be any happier this year than she has been in previous years. Mrs. Moffly agreed and said has ideas for changes. Mr. Scott spoke about PBIS training from Dr. Herring's office. Mrs. Moffly asked about coerced statements. Mr. Scott said he wasn't aware of any. Mrs. Moffly said she spoke with an attorney with a client that had been coerced.

Mrs. Coats shared information about North Charleston SROs qualifications. She said the City of North Charleston pays they full time, even through the district is only paying them for ten months.

Rev. Collins asked about trainings offered by CCSD for SROs to work with young children. Mr. Scott said he didn't have the list. He said Professional Development is done two to three times a year during professional days for teachers. Mr. Scott said CCSD staff does everything they can to ensure training for officers.

Rev. Collins asked about SROs handcuffing young students. Mr. Scott said CCSD doesn't have authority to tell police how to handle students that are arrested. Rev. Collins suggested having someone working on a daily basis to work with students that is trained in this area.

Rev. Collins also inquired about police reports stating that he would like to see them. Dr. McGinley said that has to be requested from the Police Department. However, the board has received monthly SRO Reports. Rev. Collins said he would like more details on what is happening in the schools.

Mrs. Kandrac said Mt. Pleasant reports are more detailed. Also, she said many school based individuals check students daily for child abuse. Mr. Scott said the officer base it on ability of the child to understand. However, decisions are made by the courts. Mrs. Kandrac said

individuals watch CSI and other television programs where kids are interrogated without their parent. However, Mr. Scott said kids are never interrogated with parents present, if issue is abuse.

Mrs. Moffly said SROs should not be used for monitoring duties based on the contract. However, the SRO report says they are. Mr. Scott said officers are assigned to areas at certain times to monitor situations. Dr. McGinley said principals don't assign SROs to monitor areas. However, they know where issues occur and that's why they are there. Law enforcement is needed to keep kids safe.

Rev. Collins asked if parents are notified if a child commits a crime. Mr. Scott said SROs deal with issue and courts deals with the legal part of it. Mr. Scott said the only time staff don't notify parents is if law enforcement says they can't.

Mr. Fraser called for the vote. However, Mrs. Kandrak said she had more questions. Mr. Fraser said asking more questions wouldn't change the vote because some board members had already determined how they would vote. Rev. Collins suggested Mr. Fraser should leave the meeting if he didn't want to listen to additional questions and comments from the board.

NOTE: Mr. Fraser left the meeting at 8:37pm. Therefore, he did not vote on the remaining agenda items.

Mrs. Kandrak inquired about bolting doors and asking students to put cell phones away. Mrs. Moffly said the SRO contract should have something in it to make folks accountable. She read a response from the Charleston Police Department in response to a parent complaint about a student that was interviewed about a criminal issue without parental representation.

Mrs. Moffly moved, to amend the contract to include under 10.1B6 section H to say that "no principal should authorize police interviews without parental consent or authorization". She cited a North Carolina Case of Miranda and said students' don't always know they have right to ask for representation. Mrs. Coats said the contract could be sent back for revisions. Mrs. Moffly moved, seconded by Mrs. Kandrak to pull the item from the agenda. The vote failed 2-4 (Ascue, Collins, Thomas and Coats opposed).

Rev. Collins suggested a workshop to discuss SRO procedures. Then he asked about student interrogations. Mr. Scott said a principal does not have the right to do anything when they have been informed by the police that it is a formal law investigation.

Dr. James Winbush, Associate Superintendent of the Innovation Zone Learning Community said as a former principal, once case becomes criminal, principal doesn't have any jurisdiction. He said child is never left alone, principal or someone else stays in room with child but isn't allowed to intervene. The principal tries to take them to a private place where they couldn't be seen. Mrs. Kandrak asked Dr. Winbush if he was ever a principal at a school without a SRO. Dr. Winbush said absolutely not. Mrs. Kandrak said she once taught in a school where a third grader was arrested.

Mr. Ascue suggested SRO contracts be submitted to the County board earlier next year.

C. 8% Bond Resolution – Mr. Michael Bobby – Chief Financial & Operations Officer

Mrs. Kandrak moved, seconded by Rev. Collins approval of the recommendation to approve the 8% Bond Resolution in an amount not to exceed sixty-six million dollars

(\$66,000,000) General Obligation Bonds Series 2012B of Charleston County School District to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended to provide payment thereof, and other matters relating thereto. The funding source is usual and customary fees for the cost of issuance which will be funded through the proceeds of the Bond sale. These bonds will be repaid through collection of taxes in Debt Service. The vote was approved 5-1 (Thomas opposed).

Mrs. Kandrak asked if the amount was within millage rate of budget. Mr. Bobby confirmed.

10:2 Policy Committee – Mrs. Elizabeth Moffly

A. First Reading – Outsourcing Employees

Mr. Ascue shared his concern and said that the board shouldn't try to force a private company to take employees. Mrs. Coats said the district shouldn't tell an outsourced company what benefits to pay. If done, no company would be interested. Also, she said since state benefits are shown, it is confusing. Rev. Collins said he meant the benefits and whatever the company would provide. However, he said they should maintain employment.

Rev. Collins requested placing this recommendation on the October 8th board agenda as an action item.

Mr. Bobby asked the board to consider language before formal approval of first reading if the intent is that the employee is to maintain a satisfactory work record. He asked that it be made clear in the recommendation. If it is not there the district would have a hard time attracting vendors.

XI. POTENTIAL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

11.1: Kiawah River Plantation TIF Proposal Presentation

The Board received the Kiawah River Plantation TIF Proposal presentation as information. No action was taken.

Note: This agenda item was moved during the adoption of the agenda. Therefore, the board discussed this agenda item prior to agenda item 8.1 Literacy Report when all members were present.

Mr. John Darby, a representative of the Beach Company presented information on efforts that began in 2008 when he addressed the CCSD Board. He said the TIF approval process was to come back and obtain a TIF. In 2011 the TIF application began. This is the county's first sponsorship of a TIF. They were asked to bear the cost of a third party financial consultant that said the TIF was needed. Then county staff began negotiations with the Beach Company for a TIF which is ongoing. The first reading with County Council will happen soon. They will issue a 45 day notice to all participants.

Mr. Harry Miley presented the proposal for the Kiawah River Plantation Tax Increment Finance Plan that was made to the Audit and Finance Board a few weeks ago and will soon be presented to Charleston County Council. Mr. Miley made it clear that the numbers may change over a period of time. The current land in question is across from Mullet Hall Rd.

- **Kiawah River Plantation Current Land Use**
 - Agricultural, Currently being farmed, Tree nursery , Total Property Tax is less than \$3,000 annually, and CCSD portion is \$1,907 per year
- **Future Land Uses**
 - Development Agreement & PD Plan approved December, 2009:
 - 1,168 Homes, 117 Workforce Homes, 1,285 Total Homes, 450 Guest Rooms
 - Golf Course, 80,000 SF of Retail and Office

- **Home Owner Profile**
 - 10% Second Home, vacation and seasonal use, 30% Pre-Retiree, vacation initially, retire there later, 50% Retiree, mix of permanent and seasonal use and 10% Primary Home, permanent year round use
- **What is Tax Increment Financing?**
 - Economic development tool that captures the increased property tax revenue resulting from private investment - within a defined district to fund specific public projects
 - Intended to create jobs, increase economic activity and increase the tax base
- **The Need For TIF Funding**
 - To facilitate up to \$1.35 billion in private investment and a corresponding increase in the tax base
 - To create new employment opportunities for residents of Johns Island, Charleston County and the region
- **TIF Approval Process**
 - Preparation of Redevelopment (TIF) Plan
 - 1st reading of TIF ordinance at Charleston County Council, 45 day notice to taxing jurisdictions including School District, 15 day public notice, Public Hearing and 2nd reading at County Council and 3rd reading, adoption of TIF ordinance
- **CCSD TIF Participation**
 - CCSD currently Participates in 10 TIFs:
 - 5 in the City of Charleston, 4 in North Charleston and 1 in Mount Pleasant
 - The latest TIF CCSD approved is the \$120 million Ingleside TIF in North Charleston
- **Increased Tax Base**
 - Current CCSD annual taxes..... \$1,907 and Forecast CCSD annual taxes at TIF expiration \$10,361,643
- **Economic Benefits**
 - Tourism growth, Vastly increased tax base, Jobs - forecast to generate 850-900 permanent jobs within Charleston County plus an additional 1,400 – 1,500 jobs statewide (Clemson Study) and Additional 350 on-going local construction jobs during 20 year build-out (Implan forecast)
- **Quality of Life Benefits**
 - Increased opportunities for recreation, Enhanced environmental conditions
 - Johns Island community fund, County Park improvements, providing agricultural and wildlife educational opportunities and other natural experiences and Improvements to firefighting and emergency services response and capabilities
- **Benefits to Charleston County School District**
 - Creation of a tremendous tax base, increasing from \$1,907 annually to \$10.4 million after the TIF, Average of \$624,000 per year surplus cash flow, \$28.9 million, total during TIF term over and above pupil cost, Funding for Johns Island School Recreation facilities and New and enhanced agricultural, wildlife and nature learning opportunities at Johns Island

Questions:

Mrs. Coats asked Mr. Miley to confirm the term of the TIF. Mr. Miley responded and said if CCSD students reside on the property, the district would receive \$7,500-\$7,600 per student. If there are bonds, the property tax generated by the bond will be determined and reserved at approximately \$624,000. Access to those funds would be determined by Bond Council and Trustees.

Mrs. Moffly said this topic has been highly debated. She said the Beach Company did

not need the money and questioned why the Beach Company requested a TIF for this long period of time. Mr. Darby said the Beach Company never said they did not need this money and the forty years timeline came about during conversation with the school board. The longer the term the longer the amortization. Mrs. Moffly also said she wanted to make certain the board didn't overlook the 45 day response time.

Mr. Fraser said the district was giving up a large amount. Mr. Darby said if it is reduced to twenty years, the amount would also be reduced.

11.2: Revisions to the Voluntary Transfer Process – Mr. Michael Bobby – Chief Financial & Operations Officer

Rev. Collins moved, seconded by Mrs. Kandrak, approval of the recommendation to deny and not approve the Voluntary Transfer Process recommendation. However, Rev. Collins later withdrew this motion before voting took place.

Mrs. Kandrak moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas to pull the Revisions to the Voluntary Transfer Process recommendation and forward it to the Policy Committee to review on October 2nd. The motion was approved 4-2 (Ascue and Coats opposed).

Rev. Collins expressed concerns about Mr. Fraser and Mrs. Coats being the only ones involved when other members were not involved.

Mr. Bobby said the proposed revisions did not go to policy because no policy changes were made. Everything was done within the purview of administration. Mrs. Moffly said the Policy Committee began their work on this policy began two years ago. She also suggested that the process was circumvented and staff failed to bring feedback received from the constituent boards. She is disappointed on how staff handled this matter and said Mr. Bobby knew he was to just bring information to Policy Committee.

Mrs. Coats said if the Revisions to the Voluntary Transfer Process to go to the policy next Tuesday, it would possibly not be implemented next year. Then, Mrs. Coats moved to approve the Revisions to the Voluntary Transfer Process. However, no one seconded the motion.

Dr. McGinley said two years ago there was a joint meeting of the County and Constituent boards. They met and concerns were expressed about the student transfer process. During a County Board workshop December 2011, Mr. Bobby shared process and time. This was prior to Mr. Bobby taking it forward to the Constituent Board.

Mr. Ascue suggested the board approve the Revisions to the Voluntary Transfer Process and later make the necessary revisions. Mrs. Moffly said the board waited a year to learn what capacity meant. Then it took a year to determine if space was or was not available. In conclusion, she said someone was not doing their job and it made no sense to have building program without a capacity study.

Mr. Thomas suggested sending the Revisions to the Voluntary Transfer Process to the Policy Committee and said he had concerns about the part that adds in a lottery.

11.3: Haut Gap Middle School Memorandum of Understanding with the Charleston County Parks and Recreation Commission – Mr. Michael Bobby – Chief Financial & Operations Officer

Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Mrs. Coats, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding on Joint Use Agreement with respect to defined property at the Haut Gap Middle School site. The motion was approved 4-2 (Kandrak and Moffly opposed).

11.4: S.C. Education Oversight Committee Audit – (Coats, Collins, Kandrak, Moffly, &

Thomas)

As requested by the five members listed above, the Board will discuss and determine the appropriate response to an offer from the S.C. Education Oversight Committee regarding an opportunity to participate in an efficiency audit.

Mrs. Coats moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve staff's recommendation to submit a application to the S.C. Education Oversight Committee for the opportunity to participate in an efficiency audit. The motion was approved 4-2 (Kandrac and Moffly opposed).

Mrs. Coats led the discussion on the efficiency audit offer from S.C. Education Oversight Committee which was discussed at the September 17th Board Workshop. The district received a letter about funds available for efficiency audits. Mrs. Moffly responded stating that funds are not available. Mr. Bobby said he had a conversation with Ms. Melanie Barton and information was shared with the board in the update sent to the board on Friday. Mr. Bobby suggested the Board submit an application since the district isn't committing to anything. He concluded that an application just says CCSD is interested.

11.5: SCSBA Legislative Advocacy Delegate and Alternate

The Board will nominate and vote on SCSBA Legislative Advocacy Delegate and Alternate.

Mrs. Coats nominated Mr. Ascue to serve as the delegate for the upcoming SCSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference, seconded by Mr. Thomas. The motion was approved 6-0.

Mrs. Coats nominated Mrs. Moffly serve as Delegate for the upcoming SCSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference, seconded by Rev. Collins. The motion was approved 6-0.

Also during discussion of this item, Mr. Thomas nominated Mr. Fraser to serve as the Alternate for the upcoming SCSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference, seconded by Mrs. Coats and Mrs. Kandrac nominated Rev. Collins serve as an Alternate, seconded by Mrs. Moffly. However both nominations were withdrawn.

Mrs. Kandrac suggested that board members may be reluctant to attend the conference since the newspaper may cite them as the "Biggest Spender".

XII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Rev. Collins suggested Cell phone Policy be placed on agenda
2. Mrs. Moffly requested a copy of the document visitor, Barbara Spells, handed to staff regarding Sullivan's Island Elementary.

Since there was no further business to come before the Board. At 9:29pm Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Rev. Collins to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.