St. Paul's Constituent District 23 Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

Baptist Hill High Media Center 5117 Baptist Hill Road, Hollywood, SC

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 5:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: A. Holmes, B. Bowens, F. Nelson, H. Frazier, C. Glover

Board Members Absent: J. Matthews, A. Hamilton-Gibbs

Proceedings:

I. Call to Order, Invocation/Moment of Silence, Pledge of Allegiance:

The board meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m. by the Board Chair, A. Holmes, followed by the invocation, a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Adoption of Agenda:

C. Glover moved, with a second by F. Nelson, to adopt the agenda with the following amendments:

Move Item IV to be discussed before going into Executive Session and add parent concern into the Executive Session. The motion passed 5-0.

III. Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by C. Glover, seconded by B. Bowens, to approve the December 7, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion passed 5-0.

IV. Public Comments/Visitors:

- 1. Tiffany Deas voiced concerns that teachers are unable to voice issues without fear of retaliation. She also expressed the need for administration to keep fights under control.
- 2. Mr. Truesdale voiced concerns regarding his child's suspension and not being allowed to see camera footage.

V. District Updates:

Mr. McNeil shared that he did follow up with Sharon Randall concerning the letters sent by the board. Ms. Randall can provide an update of the concerns by March.

Mr. Cobb shared the results of the December 18th meeting and the sub-committee will discuss available options for future decisions about Minnie Hughes and EB Ellington.

VI. Old Business:

A. Next Steps Concerning Minnie Hughes

The board sub-committee will meet and discuss the options provided by Mr. Cobb.

VII. Executive Session (Discipline Hearings):

A motion was made by C. Glover, seconded by F. Nelson, to move into Executive Session. The motion passed 5-0.

VIII. Open Session Reconvened:

A motion was made by H. Frazier, seconded by B. Bowens, to move into Open Session. The motion passed 5-0.

IX. Vote on Executive Session Items:

Student 4.1.5: A motion was made by H. Frazier, seconded by C. Glover: In lieu of expulsion, student will attend Daniel Jenkins under strict probation for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. The motion passed 4-1 (A. Holmes opposed).

Student 4.1.6: A motion was made by C. Glover, seconded by F. Nelson, to within 10 days of the hearing to sign up for an Adult Education Program to achieve their GED or high school diploma. The motion passed 4-1 (H. Frazier opposed).

Student 4.1.7: A motion was made by A. Holmes, seconded by F. Nelson: In lieu of expulsion, student will be placed at Liberty Hill Academy until successful completion of the program. The motion passed 5-0.

X. Constituent Board Report:

Dr. Frazier visited Septima Clark Academy and suggests that the board arranges a visit to one or two of the alternative programs, Daniel Jenkins Academy specifically. The board will contact Ms. Champaigne for possible dates to visit.

XI. Adjournment:

A motion was made by C. Glover, seconded by H. Frazier, to adjourn at 8:12 PM. The motion passed 5-0.

Approved 2.4.20