

**ST. JAMES-SANTEE CONSTITUENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1**

*of Charleston County, South Carolina*

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle School

8900 U. S. Highway 17 North

McClellanville, South Carolina

Tuesday, January 28, 2020 (5:30 p.m.)

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Mr. Thomas Colleton, Chairperson  
Ms. Dee Andria Brown  
Ms. Diane Geathers  
Rev. E.J. German

**Members Absent:** Ms. Shirley Mitchell-Collenton  
Ms. Erma Harrell  
Ms. Juanita Middleton

**Visitors:** Ms. Tei Summerville, Parent Advocate, St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle School  
Mr. Daniel Bennett, Teacher, St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle School  
Ms. Latoya Bennett, Teacher, St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle School

**Others Present:** Mr. Jeffrey Scott, Executive Director of Transportation  
Ms. LaCarma Brown-McMillan, Principal, St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle School  
Ms. Rudell Burch, Assistant Principal, St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle School  
Ms. Kimberly Parrish, Project Specialist

- I.** Meeting called to order: Mr. Thomas Colleton, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.
- II.** Welcome, Moment of Silence/Invocation, and Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Colleton gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He welcomed the parents of the students who participated in the mock trial competition and thanked them for their support.
- III.** Adoption of Agenda: Mr. Colleton approved the agenda.
- IV.** Presentations and Recognitions
  - a. Mock Trial – Mr. Daniel Bennett and Ms. Latoya Bennett along with Ms. LaCarma Brown-McMillan, presented an award plaque to the student mock trial team. This was the first year of participation with only one month to prepare. The team was very successful despite any assistance from a lawyer.
- V.** The Board convened into a committee meeting format due to the lack of a quorum.
- VI.** The board reconvened into regular meeting.

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- VII.** Convene Executive Session: Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to convene to Executive Session. Ms. Brown made the motion and Ms. Geathers seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- a. Report on Student Re-admittance Progress: Mr. Colleton conferred with Ms. Middleton earlier to report the student has plateaued. A change of course has been recommended and to cease the student progress tracking.
  - b. Ms. Brown made a motion to discontinue the direct student monitoring by the board and instead pursue a different course of action of recommending the student receive more counseling. Mr. Colleton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- VIII.** Reconvene Open Session: Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to reconvene to Open Session. Ms. Brown made the motion and Ms. Geathers seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- IX.** Public Comments: Ms. Tei Summerville, Parent Advocate, reviewed the Vision 2020 plan stating the first parent meeting was successful. In the immediate future there will be a parent computer workshop and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sisters Summit for 4-8<sup>th</sup> grade girls.
- X.** Approval of Minutes: Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to approve the November 19, 2019, minutes. Ms. German made the motion and Ms. Geathers seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- XI.** Chairperson's Report: Mr. Colleton provided his report during the committee portion of the board meeting.
- XII.** Board Update: None
- XIII.** Superintendent's Report: Mr. William Jeffrey Scott distributed the latest edition of the Focus on CCSD newsletter to the board members. Mr. Colleton reminded the board of the standing request to meet with Dr. Postlewait. He went on to share with the board that he was contacted by a parent about the school's activity bus. Mr. Scott confirmed the activity bus is undergoing yearly maintenance. He also advised the board of the process in place to replace obsolete buses with yellow buses which will be outfitted to be used in dual (activity and regular) roles.
- XIV.** Old Business: None
- XV.** New Business: None

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- XVI.** Adjournment: There being no further business, Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Brown made the motion and it was seconded by Ms. Geathers. By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Approved: February 25, 2020

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