

St. John's Constituent District 9 Board of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting (Via Zoom) Minutes

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Monica Smith, Renea Bligen, Gertie Smalls-Ford, Leon Green, Pat Cline, Karen Simmons, Cheryl Glover

Proceedings:

I. Call to Order & Moment of Silence:

The board meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Board Chair Monica Smith.

II. Adoption of Agenda:

Rev. Gertie Ford moved, with a second by Pat Cline, to adopt the agenda. The motion passed 6-0.

Dr. Simmons arrived.

III. Approval of Minutes:

A. Monica Smith moved, with a second by Pat Cline, to approve the minutes from March 1, 2022. The motion passed 7-0.

IV. Visitors/Public Comments:

No public comments were submitted by the established deadline.

A motion was made by Monica Smith, seconded by Dr. Karen Simmons, to move into Executive Session. The motion passed 5-0.

V. Executive Session:

A. Hardship Transfer Request

VI. Open Session Reconvened:

A motion was made by Leon Green, seconded by Cheryl Glover, to move into Open Session. The motion passed 7-0.

VII. Vote on Executive Session Items:

Pat Cline made a motion, seconded by Renea Bligen, to allow students VA-1 and VA-2 to remain enrolled in Angel Oak Elementary School for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year only. The motion passed 7-0.

VIII. District Updates:

Board Liaison Francine Mitchell reminded the board of the memo sent by Dr. Erica Taylor on Monday regarding boards resuming in-person meetings. Ms. Champaign will work on a transition plan for the board if a decision is made to move forward.

Board of Trustees Meeting regular meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2022.

IX. Constituent Board Report:

Ms. Smith reminded the board that their Statement of Economic Interest is due by March 30, 2022.

X. Constituent Board School Liaison Report:

School Liaison report attached.

Cheryl Glover has been assigned to Mt. Zion Elementary School.

Pat Cline will report on Angel Oak Elementary School for the remainder of the school year.

XI. Old Business:

No Old Business was shared.

XII. New Business:

Pat Cline asked board members if they had an opportunity to review the Live Attend Report. She highlighted District 9 and noted the changes to the students that live in and attend out. Students zoned for St. John's and attending out of the district have decreased.

XIII. Announcements:

- Tom Hudson, South Carolina SIC Executive Director, will provide an overview of School Improvement Councils on March 24, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.
- Pat Cline shared that she is participating in the Restorative Practice Training at St. Johns on April 18th and 19th. Rev. Ford will share information with boards members interested in participating in future sessions.

XIV. Adjournment:

Monica Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

District 9 School Updates

March 15, 2022

Frierson Elementary – Pat Cline

Frierson Elementary SIC 3-8-22

- Principal, Dr. Cummings, shared a PowerPoint presentation on ESSER III funding initiatives from CCSD. The information will be available on the school website.
- Frierson will create a draft proposal for school ESSER funds to align with the school's 5-year renewal plan and submit it to CCSD.
- School allocations are based on the number and percentage of students reading below grade level on the most recent SC Ready Reading (Spring)
- SIC will meet on March 22 at 5:50 pm. The agenda will include:
 1. New Vision and 3 Pillars for CCSD
 2. Needs Assessment Survey
 3. School Proposals
 4. Alignment
- Tennis update: volunteers are needed to help on game days. Game dates will be in the Wednesday take-home folders.
- Garden Update: Kiawah Cares has an irrigation crew working to supply water to primary and main garden beds and a water pump when Clemson Crew completes plans for the outdoor classroom pavilion.
- Building update; Elementary wing renovations for 2 upper L and 2 adolescent classrooms will be done this summer.

Frierson PTA notes 3-8-22

- March 25 from 5-8 pm will be a Silent auction and Block Party. Tickets are \$5.00 per meal or \$20. for a family.
- Teacher Appreciation Week theme adventure/learning around the world.
- Book Fair the week of March 21-25

Mt. Zion Elementary – Pat Cline

School Improvement Council, March 9, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

- 2 trailers are on track to be delivered to Mt. Zion
- EL curriculum is in use as of January
- New school on track for completion August 2024
- No contract on land location has been signed
- Principal Mims was on interview committee for Contractors/Architects
- Community input meeting into design, location, traffic to be scheduled
- Renovations at Mt. Zion (new roof, new flooring) for repurposing of building
- New zoning process for Mt Zion to begin in November
- Principal shared power point presentation for ESSER III fund distribution
- Survey to be sent to parents for input on ESSER III funding
- School level engagement and alignment of ESSER III proposals with District initiatives and vision due end of March.
- March 22 Title I meeting to align 5-year school improvement plan with ESSER III funding
- Working on STEAM challenge event before Spring break
- Discussing Parent event after Spring break
- Planning STEAM Olympics for May 23
- Next SIC meeting April 6 possibly hybrid
- **PTO** electing new officers and planning Donut fundraiser

Angel Oak Elementary – Pat Cline

Angel Oak Elementary SIC 3-7-22

- The 4 new trailers are now in use

- Volunteers are welcome back
- Emails were updated after fire behind AOE
- PTA Read-a-Thon raised \$ 18,311.25
- Uniform survey with 157 results 68% votes yes
- March is Family Engagement month
- School tour 3-23-22
- Multilingual Family event 3-23 in the afternoon
- ESSER Survey results:
- # Add more teachers and/or teaching assistants to support smaller class sizes/ratios to provide more support for learners
- #Expansion of Special Education programs to serve and support students in their LRE (multi-cat. etc.) and to provide more behavioral support
- #Afterschool tutoring options for all students (with a focus on those performing below the 20th percentile)
- #Continued funding of additional school counselor, parent/family advocate, and K-2 instructional coach
- #full-time school psychologist and mental health services for students
- #Additional Reading interventionists
- #Expansion of CD/preschool programs
- #Increase parent involvement/leadership of racial and ethnic minority families in SIC and PTA to properly reflect and represent our school community
- #Math Coach/Interventionist for upper grades
- red indicates CCSD initiatives
- Title 1 updates:
- \$3,000+ will be spent on supplies
- \$5,000+ will be spent on Parenting
- Meals are free under Federal Grant
- Kaleidoscope could have a cost in 2022-2023 school year
- Student fees may be raised
- Could affect staffing
- Owl Venture summer camp has private funding minus transportation funds
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St. John's High – Dr. Karen Simmons

- Our Hospitality and Tourism program will be putting on a Future Islander Jamboree for all elementary students on Saturday, May 14th. There will be fun games and competitions with prizes and a medal. We are hoping to offer this as an annual event.
- Spring sports are underway. Check out our website for dates and locations
- All schools will be receiving ESSER III dollars. Allocations will be based on the number of students reading below grade level. For high schools, this number will be based on data from the Middle School. Look for opportunities to participate in the planning over the next month.

Approved 4.5.22