

St. John's Constituent District 9 Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

St. John's High School – Media Center

1518 Main Road, Johns Island, SC

Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Board Chair – Rev. Gertie Smalls-Ford, Board Vice Chair - Jennifer Young, Pat Cline, Monica Smith, Dr. Karen Simmons-Palmer, Jeff Fine, Leon Green

Proceedings:

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

The board meeting was called to order at 5:42 p.m. by Rev. Gertie Smalls-Ford.

II. Adoption of Agenda:

Pat Cline moved, with a second by Karen Simmons-Palmer, to adopt the agenda as written. The motion passed 7-0.

III. Approval of Minutes:

A. March 7, 2023 – Regular Meeting

Pat Cline moved, with a second by Jennifer Young, to approve the meeting minutes with corrections. The motion passed 7-0.

B. March 21, 2023 – Regular Meeting

Pat Cline moved, with a second by Jennifer Young, to approve the meeting minutes with corrections. The motion passed 7-0.

IV. Visitors/Public Comments:

None.

V. Executive Session:

Leon Green moved, seconded by Monica Smith, to move into Executive Session. The motion passed 7-0.

A. Discipline Hearings

5.12.22 Infraction: (520) Assault, Simple

5.13.22 Infraction: (520) Assault, Simple

5.14.22 Infraction: (570) Drug Distribution

B. Student Transfers

VI. Open Session Reconvened:

Jeff Fine moved, seconded by Jennifer Young, to return to Open Session. The motion passed 7-0.

VII. Vote on Executive Session Item:

A. Discipline Hearings

5.12.22 – A motion was made by Jennifer Young, seconded by Pat Cline, to place student at Turning Point Academy for 45 days on probation for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. The motion passed 7-0.

5.14.22 – A motion was made by Jeff Fine, seconded by Karen Simmons-Palmer, to expel student from CCSD with services for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. The motion passed 7-0.

5.13.22 – Reschedule.

B. Student Transfers

Angel Oak –

Meets – 100

Does Not Meet – 101,102,103

St. Johns –

Meets – 200

Does Not Meet – 201

VIII. Constituent Board Report:

A. Updates from Rev. Gertie Smalls-Ford, District 9 Constituent Board Chair – Mt. Zion requested Rev. Smalls-Ford and Dr. Simmons-Palmer to participate in Reading Role Models. Dr. Simmons-Palmer attended the walk-thru at Daniel Jenkins in Rev. Smalls-Ford absence. Board is invited to attend Haut Gap's 8th grade promotion ceremony 5.30.23. Also, Angel Oaks 5th grade promotion ceremony 6.1.23.

IX. Constituent Board School Liaison Report

A. School Updates –

St. John's – Final quarter of the year. Prom is 4.8.23. Juice with Joyner is 5.5.23 at 8am. Graduation is Sat. June 3 at 7pm.

Angel Oak – Map testing coming up. Tennis team is currently undefeated.

Representatives from MZES and AOES SICS toured Mary Ford Early Learning Center and St. Andrew's Math & Science Schools, in an effort to continue collaboration between schools. As part of the work to support the future merger of AOE and Mt. Zion, they are having a Faculty/Staff kickball game this week between both schools and a PTA combined Spirit Week in May! Owlventure Summer Camp registration is underway. 132 students are confirmed so far, and our goal is to reach 200. The first round of students are identified based on need.

Mt. Zion – Mt. Zion will be participating in the Kids Heart Challenge through the American Heart Association this year. School climate surveys went out. Reading partners needed. Lunch visitors & lunch duty volunteers needed.

X. District Updates:

A. Updates from the District 9 Superintendent's Designee – COW & BOT combined meeting is 4.24.23. St. Johns, Morningside Middle, and Stall are recruiting 6 people who graduated who want to become teachers to start as TA's in August.

XI. Old Business:

XII. New Business:

XIII. Announcements

A. Pat Cline updated the board – Listening sessions at Stiles Point went very well.

XIV. Adjournment:

Monica Smith moved with a second by Leon Green to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Approved 05.02.23