

St. John's Constituent District 9 Board of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting (Via Zoom) Minutes

Tuesday, April 5, 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 5:32 p.m. by Monica Smith.

II. Adoption of Agenda:

Dr. Karen Simmons moved, with a second by Rev. Gertie Ford, to adopt the agenda. The motion passed 7-0.

III. Approval of Minutes:

A. Pat Cline moved, with a second by Dr. Karen Simmons, to approve the minutes from the March 15, 2022, meeting. The motion passed 7-0.

IV. Visitors/Public Comments:

No public comments were submitted by the established deadline.

Mr. Charles Benton, Interim Principal of St. John's High School, introduced himself to board members and briefly shared his experience as a CCSD educator.

A motion was made by Dr. Simmons, seconded by Cheryl Glover, to move into Executive Session. The motion passed 7-0.

V. Executive Session:

A. Student Discipline Update

B. Discipline Hearings

5.14.21: (380) Probation Violation

C. Student Transfer Applications

VI. Open Session Reconvened:

A motion was made by Dr. Karen Simmons, seconded by Monica Smith, to move into Open Session. The motion passed 7-0.

VII. Vote on Executive Session Items:

Rev. Gertie Ford recused herself from the hearing for student 5.14.21.

A. Student Discipline Update

B. Discipline Hearings

5.14.21 – A motion was made by Renea Bligen, seconded by Pat Cline, to expel student 5.14.21 from St. Johns High School and Charleston County School District for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. At the start of the 2022-2023 school year, the student will be required to reappear before the board for readmittance consideration. The motion passed 4-2 (Monica Smith and Cheryl Glover opposed).

C. Student Transfer Applications

School	Meets (Board Approved)	Does Not Meet (Board Denied)
Mt. Zion Elementary	1 – 4	
Angel Oak Elementary	2, 5 #6 tabled for additional information	1, 3, 4, 7, 8
St. Johns High	1	

VIII. District Updates:

A. Board Liaison, Susan Watson-Bell reminded board members that all CCSD schools and offices would be closed April 11 – 15 for Spring break. Ms. Watson-Bell alerted their attention to the email that was sent on April 4th with an update on the new District 9 school.

The Committee of the Whole, and Board of Trustees meetings are scheduled for April 25, 2022.

IX. Constituent Board Report:

Ms. Smith checked with board members on the filing of their Statement of Economic Interest reports.

X. Constituent Board School Liaison Report:

Report attached. Additionally, the following information was shared:

Rev. Gertie Ford announced that Frierson will hold its SIC meeting on April 26, 2022.

Cheryl Glover shared that Mt. Zion will hold its SIC meeting on April 6, 2022.

XI. Old Business:

No Old Business was discussed.

XII. New Business:

No New Business was discussed.

XIII. Announcements:

Due to the inclement weather and connectivity issues, Pat Cline will send announcements to board members via email. The updates will be included in the minutes.

XIV. Adjournment:

Monica Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Approved 5.3.22

District 9 School Updates

April 5, 2022

Frierson Elementary – Pat Cline

SIC Frierson Elementary notes 3-30-22

- The focus of the meeting was about ESSER III proposal to CCSD.
- Frierson will receive \$460,000 based on the SC READY 2021 Spring scores of the number of low achieving students.
- As a result of 5 surveys and 5 meetings principal Cummings drafted a proposal in the amount of \$630,750. She will ask CCSD to supplement the difference of \$170,750.
- Based on the 3 pillars outline by CCSD the Frierson proposal includes the following:
 - For Rigorous grade level instruction:
 - Consistent, Meaningful Professional Development and School-wide team planning (ie. Afterschool Planning and Tutoring. NCMPS-Conference. Other Montessori Schools)
 - Evidenced-Based Instructional Materials
 - Evidenced-Based After-School Program.
 - For High-Quality Teachers/Leaders
 - 1. Master Reading/Math Teacher
 - For Wrap-Around Services
 - 1. Family Service Advocate
 - 2. Family Service Specialist
 - 3. Garden/STEM Instructional
- the proposal is due to CCSD by April 4, 2022.
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- Dr. Cummings has requested a Calming Room and Classroom Kits (explained by Jennifer Coker with DAP at the Board of Trustees meeting on March 28th.)
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- Dr. Cummings shared with SIC that a Gymnatorium has been approved for Frierson pending funding. The latest cost quote is \$ 4 million.

Haut Gap Middle – Leon Green

Haut Gap Happenings April-May 2022

- Student and Staff school climate survey March 14-April 4
- ESSER funding input survey to parent/staff/community March 25-April 1
- Bench Mark Testing April 4
- Spring PBIS Festival- April 8
- Spring Break April 11-15
- E-Learning April 29
- MAP testing May 11-12
- SCReady May 17,18,19
- SCPASS Science May 20
- Algebra 1 EOC May 25
- Grades 6 and 7 Field Day May 24, 25
- 8th grade promotion practice May 25,26
- 8th grade promotion May 27