

St. John's Constituent District 9 Board of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2022

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

Proceedings:

I. Call to Order & Moment of Silence:

The board meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by Board Chair, Monica Smith, followed by a moment of silence.

II. Adoption of Agenda:

Rev. Gertie Ford moved, with a second by Cheryl Glover, to approve the agenda as written. The motion passed 7-0.

III. Approval of Minutes:

Renea Bligen moved, seconded by Pat Cline, to approve the minutes of June 21, 2022, June 23, 2022, and July 26, 2022, meetings, as written. The motion passed 7-0.

IV. Visitors/Public Comment:

There were no visitors or public comments.

Rev. Gertie Ford moved, seconded by Dr. Karen Simmons, to move into Executive Session. The motion passed 5-0.

V. Executive Session:

A. Expulsion Readmit Meeting

5.14.21: (380) Probation Violation

B. Discipline Hearings

5.19.21: (510) Assault, Aggravated

5.18.21: (510) Assault, Aggravated

VI. Open Session Reconvened:

Renea Bligen moved, seconded by Dr. Karen Simmons, to return to Open Session. The motion passed 5-0.

VII. Vote on Executive Session:

A. Expulsion Readmit Meeting

5.14.21 – The student was a no-show.

B. Discipline Hearings

A motion was made by Renea Bligen, seconded by Rev. Gertie Ford, to postpone the hearing until all parties are present. The motion passed 7-0.

VIII. District Updates:

Board Liaison, Susan Watson-Bell, provided the following updates:

- Teachers report back to work on August 10th.
- The first day for students is August 17th.
- Update on vacancies in District 9.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- Committee of the Whole – August 8th

- Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – August 22nd

IX. Constituent Board Reports:

Angel Oak Elementary, Pat Cline

- A school uniform swap was held in the parking lot at Angel Oak elementary school on Saturday, July 30 from 9 a.m. -12 noon.
- A Kindergarten Playground/Popsicle Date is Thursday, August 4 from 10 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. for all new Kindergarten students and parents.
- Meet and Greet for all kindergarten and 1st grade will be on Monday, August 15th from 9 a.m. -11:30 am
- Meet and Greet for all 2nd grade and part of 3rd grade (last name A-K) – Monday, August 15th from 1 pm-3:30 p.m.
- Meet and Greet for part of 3rd grade (last name L-Z), all 4th grade, and all 5th grade – Tuesday, August 16th, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- CD classes will each schedule their own times to meet with new students and parents. Teachers will contact parents with details.
- AOE school supply list is available on the school web page

X. Old Business:

No Old Business was discussed.

XI. New Business:

In the cases of students 5.18.21 and 5.19.21, a motion was made by Renea Bligen, seconded by Rev. Gertie Ford, to reschedule the hearings for August 23, 2022, to allow for the presence of school representation. The students will be allowed to return to school until the hearing date. The motion passed 6- (Pat Cline opposed).

XII. Announcements:

Board members briefly discussed concerns around fencing that would be placed around the recreational complex in front of the school. They also inquired about pool facilities in District 9. Ms. Watson-Bell will follow up with Jasmeen Shaw, Executive Director of Capital Programs on responses to the board's concerns.

XIII. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Approved 8.23.22