

**CONSTITUENT DISTRICT 23
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY MEETING**

MINUTES

Monday, October 14, 2019
Baptist Hill High
5117 Baptist Hill Road
Hollywood, SC

ATTENDEES: J. Matthews, B. Bowens, F. Nelson, A. Hamilton-Gibbs, A. Holmes, C. Glover, H. Frazier

OPEN SESSION

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE, & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair, J. Matthews, followed by the invocation, a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made by A. Holmes to adopt the agenda with the amendment to move Mr. McNeil's Phase V Master Plan presentation to the beginning of the meeting. Seconded by J. Matthews, the agenda was adopted. The board approved 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/VISITORS

Community addressed the board concerning the proposed closing of Minnie Hughes. Some of these issues included:

- Better communication from Administrative Office and more notice in advance for upcoming meetings/events
- Requesting updates on the rezoning of Minnie Hughes
- Requested clear documentation explaining the criteria for closing a school, particularly Minnie Hughes
- Expressed concern if the children have progressed since [CC Blaney & RD Schroder] have closed. Will closing Minnie Hughes help or hurt the youth's academic growth?
- D23 Education Improvement Committee was formed with the purpose to keep the community well-informed concerning decisions from the County Board and its impact on the students of District 23. Representative Brown has approached Larry Kobrovsky for legal representation if Minnie Hughes is closed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by A. Holmes, seconded by J. Matthews, to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. The board approved 7-0.

Approved 11.12.19