

**Cooper River Constituent District 4 Board of Trustees**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**District 4 Boardroom**

**4720 Jenkins Avenue, North Charleston**

**December 9, 2019**

**Board Members Present: J. Wilson, L. Fyall, M. Garnett, C. Gadson, L. Jordan**

**Absent: E. Smith, A. Erb**

**Proceedings:**

**I. Call to Order, Invocation/Moment of Silence, and Pledge of Allegiance:**

The board meeting was called to order at 5:50 p.m. by Michael Garnett, Board Chair.

**II. Adoption of Agenda:**

L. Fyall moved, seconded by J. Wilson, to adopt the agenda as written. The motion passed 5-0.

**III. Approval of Minutes:**

L. Fyall moved, seconded by L. Jordan, to approve the November minutes as written. The motion passed 5-0.

**IV. Public Comments/Visitors:**

None

**V. Executive Session:**

L. Fyall moved, seconded by M. Garnett, to go into Executive Session. The motion passed 5-0.

**VI. Open Session Reconvened:**

L. Fyall moved, seconded by E. Smith, to return to Open Session. The motion passed 5-0.

**VII. Vote on Executive Session Items**

**Discipline Hearings**

5.1 A motion was made by J. Wilson, seconded by L. Fyall, to have student expelled from CCSD for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. The motion passed 5-0.

5.2 A motion was made by L. Jordan, seconded by J. Wilson, that student 5.2 will be placed at Daniel Jenkins Academy until successful completion of the program. Student will also be placed on strict Board probation for the remainder of the 2019 – 2020 school year. The motion passed 5 – 0.

5.3 A motion was made by J. Wilson, seconded by L. Fyall, to have student 5.3 expelled from CCSD for the remainder of the 2019 – 2020 school year. The motion passed 5 – 0. (This case was heard “in absentia”.)

5.4 A motion was made by C. Gadson, seconded by L. Jordan, to have student 5.4 expelled from CCSD for the remainder of the 2019 – 2020 school year. The motion passed 4-0-1 (Garnett abstained).

- 5.5 A motion was made by C. Gadson, seconded by J. Wilson, to allow student 5.5 to enroll in Adult Education, within ten (10) days to obtain a GED or High School Diploma. The motion passed 5 – 0.
- 5.6 A motion was made by C. Gadson, seconded by J. Wilson, to allow student 5.6 to return to Liberty Hill Academy until successful completion of the program. Student will also be on strict Board probation for the remainder of the 2019 – 2020 school year. The motion passed 4 – 1 (Jordan opposed).
- 5.7 A motion was made by J. Wilson, seconded by L. Jordan that in lieu of expulsion, student 5.1 will be placed at Daniel Jenkins Academy until successful completion of the program. Student will also be on strict Board probation for the remainder of the 2019 – 2020 school year. The motion passed 4 – 1 (Jordan opposed).
- 5.8 A motion was made by J. Wilson, seconded by C. Gadson, to allow student 5.8 to return to school. The motion passed 4 – 1 (Jordan opposed).
- 5.9 A motion was made by M. Garnett, seconded by L. Jordan, to place student 5.9 on long-term removal with educational services provided, for the remainder of the 2019 – 2020 school year. The motion passed 3 – 2 (Fyall and Gadson opposed)

**VIII. District Updates:**

N/A

**IX. Old Business (Action):**

A. The board will vote on a policy for attendance regarding board meetings.

A motion was made by M. Garnett, seconded by C. Gadson to adopt the following attendance policy:

Board members will attend all regular and special-called meetings. Failure to attend 3 consecutive meetings (unexcused) or 25% (in a year) will result in a vote by the Board to remove the member and fill the vacancy. Excused absences were defined as family emergencies, illness, medical, work-related, religious, or any pre-communicated event.

The motion passed 4- (L. Jordan opposed).

**X. New Business:**

N/A

**XI. Motion to Adjourn:**

L. Fyall moved, with a second by M. Garnett, to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

**Approved 1.6.20**