



Agenda Item Details

Meeting	Nov 18, 2019 - Board of Trustees - Regular Meeting
Category	6. Action Items - Strategic Education Committee - Approximately 6:00 p.m.
Subject	I. District 10 Middle Schools Merger
Type	Action
Budget Source	Note: All recommendations made today are contingent upon the availability of funding
Recommended Action	Motion to direct the administration to locate all Constituent District 10 sixth graders on the West Ashley Middle School campus and create a 7th – 8th grade middle school on the C.E. Williams campus, effective for the 2020-21 school year. This action supports the District 10 Constituent Board's request.

ORIGINATOR/DEPARTMENT: Dr. Joseph Williams, Executive Director of Middle Schools

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

The District 10 Constituent Board has submitted a recommendation to consolidate the two middle schools in the West Ashley area. Sixth graders would attend West Ashley Middle School, and 7th and 8th graders would attend CE Williams Middle School.

This model will:

1. Ensure that all 8th graders in D10 will have access to Pre-Engineering (Project Lead the Way), Computer Science, Algebra 1, and Geometry which are excellent preparation courses for success at the future West Ashley Center for Advanced Studies.
2. Promote a direct vertical articulation partnership between CE Williams and WAHS - academic, behavioral, and family expectations
3. Ensure that all West Ashley Middle School students equitably access both arts and academic opportunities.

(Approved 7-2 at the November 11 Committee of the Whole. Collins and Hollinshead voted no.)

Motion & Voting

Motion to direct the administration to locate all Constituent District 10 sixth graders on the West Ashley Middle School campus or another location and create a 7th – 8th grade middle school on the C.E. Williams campus, effective for the 2020-21 school year. This action supports the District 10 Constituent Board's request.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Todd Garrett.

Final Resolution: Motion carried

Aye: Kate Darby, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green

Nay: Chris Collins, Kevin Hollinshead, Chris Fraser

Abstain: Priscilla Jeffery