

ST. JAMES-SANTEE CONSTITUENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

of Charleston County, South Carolina

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

St. James-Santee Elementary-Middle School

8900 U. S. Highway 17 North

McClellanville, South Carolina

Tuesday, August 23, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Mr. Thomas Colleton, Chairperson
Ms. Dee Andria Brown
Ms. Shirley Mitchell-Collenton
Ms. Diane Geathers
Ms. Chayann Simpson
Ms. Marie Snyder-Facine

Members Absent: Rev. E. J. Milligan, Vice-Chairperson

Visitors: Ms. Destiny Powell, parent
Ms. Teresa Grey, guardian

Others Present: Ms. Kimberly Foxworth, Executive Director of Early Childhood, Constituent District 1 Liaison
Ms. Buffy Roberts, Executive Director of Assessment and Evaluation, Constituent District 1 Back-up Liaison
Ms. LaCarma Brown-McMillan, Principal, St. James-Santee Elementary/Middle School
Ms. Pamela Jubar, Associate Principal, Wando High School
Ms. Rudell Burch, Assistant Principal, St. James-Santee Elementary/Middle School
Ms. Kanika Manigault, Alternative Programs & Services Coordinator
Ms. Kimberly Parrish, Project Specialist, Constituent District 1 Assistant

I. Meeting called to order:

Mr. Thomas Colleton, the Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

II. Welcome, Moment of Silence/Invocation, and Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Thomas Colleton opened the meeting with an invocation and Mr. Colleton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Adoption of Agenda:

Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. Ms. Shirley Mitchell-Collenton made the motion and Ms. Marie Snyder-Facine seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Executive Session

Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to convene an executive session to hold discipline hearing 11.22.21:1(700) Off-Campus Criminal Offense. Ms. Dee Andria Brown made the motion and Ms. Collenton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Open Session Reconvened

Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to reconvene to an open session. Ms. Brown made the motion and Ms. Collenton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Colleton asked for a motion in lieu of expulsion return the student to a school-based IEP program for further alternative school placement discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Visitors:

Ms. Destiny Powell, a parent of a Head Start student, made a plea to the board to extend program hours to allow time for working parents to pick up their children. Ms. Kimberly Foxworth, Executive Director of Early Childhood, Constituent District 1 Liaison informed Ms. Powell that steps were being taken to begin the process of licensing and approval to allow for extended program hours.

VII. Public Comments:

None

VIII. Presentation & Recognition:

None

IX. Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to approve the June 28th meeting minutes. Ms. Facine made the motion and Ms. Simpson seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

X. Constituent District 1 Liaison Reports

A. Early Childhood Program Updates - Ms. Kimberly Foxworth, Executive Director of Early Childhood, Constituent District 1 Liaison

1. After-School care licensing is in process, and vouchers will be distributed soon.
2. Enrollment: 16 Head Start and 8 in each Early Head Start classroom.
3. Teachers are trained with up-to-date safety protocols, have emergency equipment and room cameras, the building doors are kept locked, and there is a school-wide alert system.

B. Charleston County School District News/Updates - Ms. Kimberly Foxworth, Executive Director of Early Childhood, Constituent District 1 Liaison and Ms. Buffy Roberts, Executive Director of Assessment and Evaluation, Constituent District 1 Back-up Liaison

1. The Superintendent made several school visits during the first few days of the new school year.
2. There were only 34 classroom teacher vacancies as of the first day of school.
3. COVID-19 updates will be given weekly rather than daily.
4. Dr. Sherry Eppelsheimer will serve as the District 1 backup liaison.

C. St. James-Santee Elementary/Middle School - Ms. Dee Andria Brown and Ms. Marie Facine

1. The Awendaw Fire Department was on hand to greet students during the first day

- of school.
2. Open house is scheduled for tomorrow.
 3. Community members and the Town of Awendaw donated books and supplies to students.
 4. AVID and the new EL Curriculum have been implemented this year.
 5. 7th graders are taking Algebra I classes with 8th graders and 8th graders are taking Spanish classes.
 6. A CTE and Music teaching positions are the current vacant positions.
 7. The enrollment count is 191.

D. Wando High School - Ms. Chayann Simpson, Rev. E. J. Milligan, and Ms. Pamela Jubar, Associate Principal, Wando High School

1. Mr. Kim Wilson is the new interim principal.

XI. Chairperson's Report:

Mr. Colleton informed the board that he had received an invitation to meet with Mr. Kim Wilson, the new interim principal of Wando High School. He said the meeting was very informative and that they shared a mutual vision for the students attending Wando from District 1.

Mr. Colleton informed the board that there will be a special called meeting on August 30th regard to review information from Mr. Jeff Borowy, Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Colleton reminded all in attendance that he had requested Ms. Kate Darby a desire to hold a joint District 1 and 2 meeting to take place before November.

XII. Old Business:

None

XIII. New business

None

XIV. Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Brown made the motion and it was seconded by Ms. Collenton. By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Approved: October 25, 2022