

ST. JAMES-SANTEE CONSTITUENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

of Charleston County, South Carolina

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (via Zoom)

Tuesday, October 26, 2021 (5:30 p.m.)

MEETING MINUTES

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

Members Absent: None

Visitors: Mr. Lewis Porcher, Lead Community Representative of the Lincoln Repurposing Project

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. Kimberly Parrish, Project Specialist, Constituent District 1 Assistant

I. Meeting called to order:

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

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

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

III. Adoption of Agenda:

Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. Rev. E. J. Milligan, Vice-Chairperson, made the motion and Ms. Shirley Mitchell-Collenton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Visitors:

Mr. Lewis Porcher, Lead Community Representative of the Lincoln Repurposing Project.

V. Public Comments:

None

VI. Presentation & Recognition:

Mr. Lewis Porcher, Lead Community Representative of the Lincoln Repurposing Project presented an update. Highlights included: Angela Barnette, Director of Planning and Real Estate will submit the facility lease agreement of the Lincoln Campus to the Lincoln Regional Center to the Charleston County School Board of Trustees board for approval during the November 8th meeting; community meetings will take place in the near future to include a formal presentation and to outline the volunteer program; a newsletter is anticipated to be issued in mid-November; feasibility studies will be conducted prior to the transition of ownership in 2022.

VII. Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Colleton asked for a motion for the approval of the September 28th meeting minutes. Ms. Collenton made the motion and Ms. Dee Andria Brown seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Chairperson's Report:

Following are highlights from Mr. Colleton's Chairperson Report.

- Ms. Pamela Jubar's role has changed which resulted in meetings being canceled with the District 1 Wando High School liaisons. Accommodations to meet District 1's informational requirements are being worked out.
- Arrangements to meet with the D2 Chairperson are still underway.
- The preparation of questions for Mr. Mack is still in progress.

Ms. Diane Geathers and Ms. Collenton expressed concern about not being able to monitor the students' welfare as has been done in the past with Ms. Jubar.

Highlights from Ms. LaCarma Brown-McMillan, Principal, St. James-Santee Elementary/Middle School, principal's report were:

- Current vacancies are being covered by substitute teachers with plans to fill with permanent employees
- A donation from North Charleston Community Resource Center allowed for 165 families to be served food.
- Progress report cards are coming out soon.
- Parent conferences begin on November 2nd.
- Virtual Coffee Talk with the St. James-Santee Admin will take place on November 4th.
- Holiday donations to recognize scholars and staff can be given to Mrs. Swinton.
- The Security Resource Officer position has been filled.

IX. Constituent District 1 Liaison Report

A. Early Childhood Program Updates

1. Enrollment: 9 Head Start and 12 Early Head Start students.
2. The current curriculum is Paper and Tree study and the next study is Buildings.
3. Fall assessments have been completed.
4. The Raising a Reader program will be kicking off soon.
5. After-school care is on the budget request list for the next school year.

B. Charleston County School District News/Updates

1. 78 current COVID-19 cases within the district.
2. Angela Rush, Director of Translation Services announced the new development of the Translation Services Department.

C. District 1 Proposed New School Update

1. Staff is working with the owners of the property on the details of the closing on November 30th.
2. Staff is discussing a potential school leader to do work with the community to map out a long-term plan with the school.

X. Old Business:

None

XI. New business

Ms. Brown announced her new position as the data clerk at Wando High School.

XII. Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mr. Colleton asked for a motion to adjourn. Rev. Milligan made the motion and it was seconded by Ms. Geathers. By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Approved: November 16, 2021