

BOARD OF TRUSTEES - Regular Meeting

(Note: Board members, essential CCSD staff, and a limited number of the general public including media representatives were offered the option to attend the meeting in person subject to the capacity of the Board room using social distancing protocols. The meeting was also provided via Zoom, and live streamed on CCSD's YouTube channel for the public.)

Monday, August 24, 2020

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Members present

Rev. Eric Mack, Mrs. Kate Darby, Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats, Rev. Chris Collins, Mr. Chris Fraser, and Mr. Todd Garrett were present in person. Ms. Joyce Green, Mr. Kevin Hollinshead, and Ms. Priscilla Jeffery were present via Zoom.

1. Opening Items

Procedural: A. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Procedural: B. Moment of Silence

Action: C. Adoption of Agenda/Approval of Consent Agenda Items
Motion to adopt the agenda, noting there are no Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Chris Fraser
Final Resolution: Motion carried unanimously.

Action: D. Approval of Minutes
Motion to approve minutes of the Committee of the Whole and Board Meeting of July 20, the Special Board Meeting of July 27, the Committee of the Whole and Special Board Meeting of August 10, 2020.

Motion by Todd Garrett, second by Chris Fraser
Final Resolution: Motion carried.
Aye: Kate Darby, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser
Abstain: Chris Collins

Action: E. Convene in Executive Session to Consider Items Covered by Attorney-Client Privilege
Motion to convene executive session to consider items covered by attorney-client privilege.
Motion carried unanimously.

2. Executive Session

Action: A. Out of County Request to Remain pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Action: B. Out of County Requests to Remain pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Action: C. Home School Applications pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Action: D. Student Transfers Appeals pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Action: E. Charter School Contracts pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2)
Action: F. Constituent Board Vacancy Recommendation pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Action: G. Constituent Board Vacancy Recommendation pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)

3. Open Session Reconvened

Action: A. Reconvene Open Session
Open Session was reconvened by unanimous consent at 4:52 p.m.

4. Possible Action on Executive Session Items

Action: A. Out of County Request to Remain pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Motion to allow one student to remain for the balance of the 2020-2021 school year while paying tuition.

Motion by Todd Garrett, second by Kate Darby
Final Resolution: Motion carried.
Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: B. Out of County Requests to Remain pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Motion to allow four students to remain for the balance of the 2020-2021 school year while paying tuition.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Chris Collins
Final Resolution: Motion carried.
Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: C. Home School Applications pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Motion to approve six home school applications

Motion by Chris Collins, second by Cindy Bohn Coats
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: D(1). Student Transfers Appeals pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Motion to take no action on #1 student and overturn and place #2 student.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Chris Collins
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Eric Mack, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Chris Fraser
Nay: Cindy Bohn Coats, Joyce Green
Abstain: Kevin Hollinshead

Action: D(2). Student Transfers Appeals pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Motion to overturn and place #3 student.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Chris Collins
Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: D(3). Student Transfers Appeals pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Motion to overturn and place #4 student at C. E. Williams North.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Chris Collins
Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: E. Charter School Contracts pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2)
Motion to approve the charter school contracts as revised in Executive Session

Motion by Todd Garrett, second by Chris Fraser
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: F. Constituent Board Vacancy Recommendation pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Motion to approve the recommendation to fill the vacant seat on the District 9 Constituent Board by Mr. Leon Green.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Kevin Hollinshead
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: G. Constituent Board Vacancy Recommendation pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)
Motion to approve the recommendation to fill the vacant seat on the District 10 Constituent Board by Mr. Daron Calhoun.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Chris Fraser
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

5. Online Public Comments

Information: A. Review of Online Public Comments Submitted to PUBLICCOMMENTS@charleston.k12.sc.us
A total of 27 comments were submitted online prior to the 3 p.m. deadline. All comments were provided to the Board members prior to the meeting and then posted on the district website.

6. Superintendent's Report

Action, Information: A. Superintendent's Report

The superintendent and district leaders updated the Board concerning important back-to-school information including:

1. Safe Restart Plan Details
2. School Reopening: Elementary, Middle, High Schools, Virtual Academy
3. Personnel Update
4. Metrics and School Dashboards
5. Support Services: Facilities, Transportation, Meals, Policies
6. Revised school calendar, permitting early dismissal Sept. 8-9

Motion to approve metrics related to school reopening and the revised school calendar proposal to permit early dismissals the first two days of school for the purpose of school meetings to improve operations.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Todd Garrett
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

7. Action & Information Items - Audit & Finance Committee

Action: A. D20 Archer Budget Reallocation
Motion to approve the reallocation of funds

Motion by Todd Garrett, second by Chris Fraser
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Todd Garrett, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: B. 2020 Tax Anticipation Note
Motion to adopt the Resolution approving the issuance of the Tax Anticipation Note to meet cash flow requirements.

Motion by Chris Fraser, second by Cindy Bohn Coats
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser
Not Present at Vote: Todd Garrett (left meeting at 7:06 p.m.)

Information: C. Agreed Upon Procedures (AUP) Report – One Cent Sales Tax Capital Program
The Agreed Upon Procedures Report for the 2017-2022 One Cent Sales Tax Capital Program (the Program), for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019, was provided as information. The procedures and the associated results were enumerated in the report. In summary, the procedures revealed no exceptions.

The Citizens Oversight Steering Committee II through its Chair, Mr. Michael Halasz, had proposed and staff strongly concurs as we approach mid-term of the current Capital Program, that an analysis/assessment of the efficiencies and effectiveness of the Program and its execution should be conducted. The District engaged Elliott Davis Decosimo, LLC to perform the agreed upon procedures engagement.

The engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The purpose was to provide the Board, Audit & Finance Committee, and the Citizens Oversight Steering Committee II with independently analyzed information, data, and explanations regarding the District's One Cent Sales Tax Capital Program. The engagement was designed to ensure the Program was carried out and executed in an effective and efficient manner.

The exemplary results of these procedures are consistent with those of the Agreed Upon Procedures for the period of January 1, 2014 through May 31, 2017 in which the procedures revealed no exceptions.

Information: D. Monthly Financial Report was received as information.

Information: E. Capital Projects Update was received as information.

8. Action Items - Policy & Personnel Committee

Action: A. Suspension of Board Policy BG/BGD - Board Policy Process
Motion to suspend the two-reading requirement of Policy BG/BGD so the Board may consider approving the new Policy ADD - Face Covering, effective immediately, after only one reading.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Chris Fraser
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Kevin Hollinshead, Priscilla Jeffery, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: B. Policy ADD - Adopt Policy ADD - Face Covering
Motion to adopt Policy ADD - Face Covering

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Chris Fraser
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Priscilla Jeffery, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser
Not Present at Vote: Kevin Hollinshead (left the meeting at 7:12 p.m.)

Action: C. Policy for Title IX - Second Reading
Motion to approve the Title IX policy for second reading

Motion by Chris Fraser, second by Cindy Bohn Coats
Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Priscilla Jeffery, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

Action: D. Policy ILB - Test/Assessment Administration - Second Reading
Motion to approve second reading of the policy

Motion by Chris Fraser, second by Cindy Bohn Coats

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Aye: Kate Darby, Chris Collins, Cindy Bohn Coats, Eric Mack, Priscilla Jeffery, Joyce Green, Chris Fraser

9. Closing Items

Information: A. Recognition of CCSD Board Member

On behalf of the Charleston County School Board of Trustees, Chairman Mack recognized outgoing member, Ms. Priscilla Jeffery, with a presentation of a plaque (to be mailed). Ms. Jeffery submitted a letter dated August 14 stating she plans to move out of state and will no longer be a resident of Charleston County effective September 4, 2020. Tonight's meeting is her final regularly scheduled board meeting.

Ms. Jeffery was elected to the Charleston County School Board in November, 2016, with a term expiring in November, 2020. Rev. Mack, the Board, and District Administration wished Ms. Jeffery well in her new endeavors. Her service to Charleston County is greatly appreciated, and she will be missed.

Information: B. Upcoming Meetings

September 14, 2020 - Committee of the Whole - To be held at 75 Calhoun, with an option to participate virtually

September 28, 2020 - Board Meeting - To be held at 75 Calhoun, with an option to participate virtually

Action: C. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:21 p.m.