

**ST. JAMES-SANTEE CONSTITUENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**St. James-Santee Elementary School  
McClellanville, SC 29458**

**Tuesday, June 28, 2016 (6:30 p.m.)**

**Members Present:** Mr. Thomas Colleton, Chairperson  
Mrs. Erma Harrell, Vice Chair  
Ms. Diane Geathers  
Reverend Derrick Wilson  
Ms. Shonna Weathers  
Mr. Joseph Bowers III via telephone

**Members Absent:** Ms. Anita Alston-Gore

**Others Present:** Ms. Adrienne Lauder, Learning Specialist  
Ms. Trudie Cantrell, Administrative Assistant  
Ms. Pamelas Jubar, Lincoln Middle-High School Interim Principal  
Dr. Joe Sampson, St.James-Santee Elementary School Principal

**Others Absent:** Ms. Terri H. Nichols, Associate Superintendent

**Visitor:** Deeandra Brown, Concerned Parent of the Community

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1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Mr. Thomas L. Colleton, Chairperson, called the meeting to order, gave the invocation, and led the pledge of allegiance.
2. **Notice of Meeting:** In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, the Charleston County Public Relations Office was notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting, and the agenda was posted on the Charleston County School District web page, and St. James-Santee front office.
3. **Adoption of Agenda:** Mrs. Harrell moved and Mrs. Geathers seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously (5-0). Reverend Wilson arrived after the vote.
4. **Public Presentations and Recognition:** None
5. **Public Comments:** Ms. Brown, parent, shared:  
On May 31<sup>st</sup>, there was a school bus fire. Her son was riding that bus. The condition of the bus was alarming and concerning. Ms. Brown invited the D1 board to attend a school bus awareness rally at St. James AME church at 7:00 PM on 6/30/2016.
6. **Approval of the Minutes:** Mr. Colleton, Chairperson, called for the approval of the minutes for the May 24, 2016 meeting . Ms. Harrell moved and Ms. Geathers seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously (5-0). Reverend Wilson arrived after the vote.
7. **Visitor:** none
8. **Superintendent's Report:** None

9. **Principal's Report:** Dr. Sampson shared :

- Presented to Dr. Postlewait two weeks ago – summary of St. James-Santee happening for the 2015-2016 school year. 2016-2017 projections are 299 with staff increased to 60.
- Meeting with District liaison for new furniture and flooring for middle school pod.
- St. James-Santee is not losing their reading allocation, will have interventionist.

Mr. Colleton shared that he is going to recommend that Barbara Blake come back to St. James-Santee.

Ms. Jubar shared:

- End of year report: 156 students/31 teachers
- Graduation increased by 2%.
- Graduation of 88.88% - 25 students
- 88 Students will be attending Wando and 5 are considering Oceanside Collegiate.
- All teachers have been placed including international and classified staff.

Ms. Jubar thanks the board for their support this year, since it is her last board meeting. She handed out bags with books.

10. **Public Communication:** None

11. **Chairman's Report:** Mr. Colleton shared:

- He asked Ms. Eppelsheimer about the Achievement Gap between African American and white students. What levels of achievement are they in? What are you doing to close the Achievement Gap?
- We need more community support for schools.
- We, as a Board, if there is a D1 student issue at Wando, would that student report to D1?
- **Title 59, Chapter 39 – School laws – adjoining school districts can join schools together.**
- D1 board needs to find an attorney to clarify gray areas and provide a legal answer.
- Recommendation for St. James-Santee allocated for a Lead Teacher, Assistant Principal, Administrative Assistant.
- Recommendation to change name to St. James-Santee Elementary and Lincoln Middle School.

13. **Board Report:** None

14. **Old Business:** None

15. **New Business:** None

16. **Adjournment:** There being no further business, Mr. Bowers moved and Ms. Harrell seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

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Minutes Approved

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Thomas Colleton, Chairperson