

CCSD BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING AGENDA

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October 22, 2012 - 5:15 p.m. 75 Calhoun St., Charleston, SC 29401

. OPEN SESSION

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charleston County School District was held on Monday, October 22, 2012 in the Board Room at 75 Calhoun Street with the following members of the Board present: Mr. Chris Fraser – Chair, Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats - Vice Chair, Mr. Craig Ascue, Mr. Todd Garrett, Mrs. Elizabeth Kandrac, Mrs. Elizabeth Moffly, Mr. Brian Thomas, and Dr. Nancy J. McGinley, Superintendent and Executive Secretary. Rev. Chris Collins arrived late. Mrs. Ann Oplinger participated by telephone. Staff members Mr. Michael Bobby, Mr. John Emerson, Dr. Lisa Herring, Mrs. Audrey Lane, Mr. Bill Lewis, Mrs. Melissa Metarazzo, Dr. Brenda Nelson, and Mrs. Erica Taylor were also in attendance.

The news media was duly notified of the meeting and representatives were present.

Mr. Fraser called the Open Session meeting of October 22, 2012 to order at 3:50 p.m. Then he thanked everyone for witnessing the Oath of Office administered to Mr. Todd P. Garrett.

1.1: Oath of Office - (Todd Garrett)

Mrs. Sherron Brightharp, a licensed notary, administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Garrett who was recently appointed by the Charleston Legislative Delegation and approved by Gov. Haley for the vacated downtown seat. Mr. Garrett's family stood with him as he was administered the oath of office.

1.2: Election of Officers

Mr. Fraser called for the Election of Officers—chair followed by vice chair.

- Mr. Fraser nominated Mrs. Coats for the position of chair, seconded by Mr. Ascue. The vote was 6-2 (Kandrac and Moffly opposed).
- Mr. Thomas nominated Mr. Fraser for the position of chair stating that new leadership would only serve one meeting. However, Mr. Fraser declined.

NOTE: Rev. Collins arrived at 4:55pm after the board voted in a new chair.

- Mrs. Kandrac challenged the vote for board chair requested an opinion from Mr. Emerson said she
 wanted it "on the record" that she thought another vote should be taken due to Rev. Collins' arrival.
 Mrs. Coats responded that the vote was completed prior to Rev. Collins' arrival.
- Mr. Fraser nominated Mr. Ascue for the position of vice chair, seconded by Mrs. Oplinger. The vote was 5-4 (Collins, Kandrac, Moffly and Thomas opposed).
- Mr. Thomas nominated Rev. Collins for the position of vice chair, seconded by Mrs. Kandrac. However, since the first motion was approved, the board did not vote on this motion.

Mrs. Coats stated that Roberts Rules does not require a vote on the second motion. She said the authority is given to the board chair. However, it could be appealed to the board.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 3:55 p.m., Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Ascue, to go in Executive Session to discuss the following agenda items:

2.1: Superintendent's Evaluation

2.2: Student Transfer Appeals – In County Requests

2.3: Student Transfer Appeals - Out-of- County Request

2.4: Sullivan's Island Elementary School Early Foundation Package - Mr. Michael Bobby - Chief Financial and Operations
Officer

OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

III. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:15pm. Mrs. Coats called the meeting to order. Then she called for a Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Ascue, approval of the amended October 22, 2012 agenda. The motion was approved 9-0.

- Rev. Collins moved, seconded by Mrs. Moffly to pull agenda item 11.2 Voluntary Transfer. The motion was approved 5-4 (Ascue, Fraser, Oplinger and Coats opposed)
 - o Mrs. Kandrac asked Mrs. Coats if the item came from the Policy Committee Chair or Vice Chair. Rev. Collins said it didn't. Then he said should be pulled for further discussion. Mrs. Kandrac also asked Mr. Ascue who called the recent Policy Meeting. Mr. Ascue responded stating that Mrs. Moffly called the meeting then she called to cancel since she was sick. After speaking with Rev. Collins, they decided to have the meeting.
- Mr. Ascue moved, seconded by Mrs. Kandrac, to move agenda item 2.4 Sullivan's Island Elementary School Early Foundation Package before discussion of Executive Session items. The motion was approved 9-0.

Mr. Fraser asked if the removal of the Voluntary Transfer Process agenda item would impact the timeline. After Mrs. Coats said it would. Mr. Fraser urged the board to reconsider and said he was afraid staff would only have a short time for implementation. Rev. Collins said the item was not the transfer policy, but a regulation. Then he said the board had only met once to talk about it. Therefore, pulling the item was to allow the Policy Committee time for discussion. He said the old policy is currently in place.

Dr. McGinley said since magnet school applications closes on Dec. 7th it would be good if the board to address it earlier. Mrs. Kandrac suggested the Policy Committee schedule a meeting in the near future. Mr. Ascue said the process would give parents a more transparent process and more time to do what is required and create a more transparent process. He urged the board delay it any further because Constituent Board members has spent 18 months working on the process. Rev. Collins requested time to review input from stakeholders.

V. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS – Ms. Clara Heinsohn – Director of Public Affairs & Volunteers

5.1: Summer Reading School Awards

The Board recognized Summer Reading School Award recipients--Sarah Grace Jennings, Hannah Fowler, Hunter Sturgill, Carlton Smith, Nora Aumentrout, and Emma Burns. Staff winners were Tiffany Henderson, Kathleen Dunleavy, and John Williams. The traveling trophies were awarded to James Simons ES, Laing MS, and West Ashley HS. CCSD students spent over 57,000 hours reading this summer.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. McGinley reported the following:

- A School Choice Fair was held this past week at Burke for parents seeking important information about school choice options. The same information is available online for those who were not able to attend the event. It is on the district's webpage at www.ccsdschools.com and the district's Face Book page. Also, a video was recently posted that highlights the growing portfolio of school choice options. Mr. Padron, the Executive Director of Access and Opportunities was commended for organizing this successful event.
- The district continues to strengthen its fund balance. The district's general obligation credit rating was recently upgraded to AA+ by Standard and Poors. Mr. Bobby and staff were commended. Dr. McGinley added that it was the result of the hard work and willingness of the board and staff to make tough, smart financial decisions.
- Dr. McGinley announced that October is National Principal's Month. CCSD principals who wear many hats during a typical day were thanked.
- On Thursday, October 25th, CCSD will celebrate national Breast Awareness. Staff members will wear pink and schools and departments will collect funds to donate to the local Susan B. Komen

- Foundation affiliate.
- The 2012 Feet First Run for Success event will be held on Nov 12^{th.} Benefits of the run will go to the Teacher Supply Closet, a non-profit organization that serves the educational and creative needs of children in the Tri-County by providing free merchandise, school supplies and educational materials.
- Mrs. Erica Taylor began her new assignment, Executive Director for Communications, with CCSD last week. She comes to the district with extensive marketing, publicity, and media related experience. During her successful tenure at SC State, Mrs. Taylor was a member of the University President's Executive Cabinet. She is also a CCSD Buist Academy and Academic Magnet High School graduate.

VII. VISITORS, PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

- Mr. Ascue read Board Policy BEDH Public Participation at meetings. Then the following individuals addressed the board.
- 1. Mr. Larry Kobrovsky, SC State Board member representing Charleston and Berkeley Counties, thanked McGinley for a resent presentation she made to the State Board and for the selection of Burke and North Charleston High principals at. Then he expressed concerns about elementary level building capacity suggesting it be the same rule did not apply to all schools. Mr. Kobrovsky shared concerns about the location selected for the new Sullivan's Island Elementary. Mr. Kobrovsky also commended Mrs. Kandrac for being the only one person who sued the district for being in a racially hostile environment and won.
- 2. Carmen McClaughlin, a CCSD elementary student, addressed the board in support of rebuilding Sullivan's Island Elementary facility for 500 students.
- 3. Ms. Sarah Church, president of SIES PTA addressed the board on behalf of SIES parents and students who support of plans to rebuild SIES facility without delay. She said by expanding the school, students across the district would benefit from it and the diversity is needed.
- 4. Mr. Everett Presson, a forty-year resident on Sullivan's Island, addressed the board in support of rebuilding SIES without delay.
- 5. Mr. Ashley Cooper spoke about meetings held by the Town of Sullivan's Island over a period of two years. He urged the board to rebuild SIES, an excellent school.
- 6. Mr. Robert Brunson He urged the board to support the recommendation to rebuild SIES.
- 7. Mr. Wayne Stelljes expressed concerns about the six people on town council refused to allow citizens to allow the community the opportunity to vote. He urged the board to delay the vote to allow the process to run its course.
- 8. Mr. Skip Scarper did not address the board.
- 9. Ms. Susan Middaugh, a resident of Sullivan's Island, addressed the board in support of the new Sullivan's Island Elementary facility.
- 10. Mr. Trenholm Walker, a Town Council representative, spoke on behalf of the council urging constituents to allow the new Sullivan's Island Elementary School to be built. He said there is nothing in the previous or recent law suit that should stop construction of the new SIES. He further stated that the land lease, it is valid and enforceable. And, even if it is not, the old lease is for forty years.
- 11. Mr. Mike Purkis, Town of Sullivan's Island Mayor Pro Tem said the Town of Sullivan's Island hasn't waived its decision regarding SIES over the past three years. Over forty meetings were held in addition to other opportunities to discuss the new SIES facility. The process was very transparent. While the district has constructed a plan for a 500 student school, the enrollment at SIES is already 414 students. Mr. Purkis urged the board to approve the recommendation for SIES on the agenda.
- 12. Mr. Bachman Smith, a Sullivan's Island resident, addressed the board in support of rebuilding the proposed school for SIES.
- 13. Ms. Lucie McLaughlin did not address the board.
- 14. Mr. Eddie Fava, a Sullivan's island resident, addressed the board in support of the new school. However, he did not support the location identified for the new school. He urged the board to

- allow the involvement of Sullivan's Island residents in decisions related to the location of the school. He asked the board delay the vote and not move forward at this time because of legal actions are pending.
- 15. Mr. Vince Graham said he suggested a smaller school two years ago. However, after sharing his idea with Lauren Ziff and others, he later he heard from Mr. Chris Fraser that the "train had left the station". Then he learned the decision was already made regarding building the new SIES. A video he posted online could be goggled with the words "SIES compromise". He said the area near playground would be a better site to locate the new SIES facility.
- 16. Mr. Robert Schoebeuhek Sullivan's Island resident and SIES parent addressed the board in support of the new SIES facility which serves his child who has special needs. He also spoke of efforts of CCSD staff to address athletic trainers in Charleston.
- 17. Mayor Charles Smith of Sullivan's Island shared details related to rebuilding Sullivan's Island ES urging the board to support the recommendation.
- 18. Mr. Lauren Ziff, chair of SIES rebuilding committee, suggested the discussion should be about replicating what has been done at SIES.
- 19. Ms Madlyn McGee, a member of Sullivan's Island Town Council, said the current site identified for the new SIES is the right location. After stating that the school had been segregated and separated by geography. She said now is the time to open the doors so the school would no longer be separated by geography. She thanked the board for supporting the SIES recommendation.

At this time, the Board discussed and voted on agenda item **2.4:** Sullivan's Island Elementary School (SIES) Early Foundation Package. Details of the discussion and vote are listed below under agenda item 8.2 Executive Session motions of October 22, 2012 (agenda item #2.4).

After the discussion and the vote, Mrs. Coats called for a five-minute break at 6:37pm to allow SIES supporters to exit the room. At 6:42pm the Board reconvened with the same members present.

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

8.1: Open Session Minutes of October 8, 2012

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, approval of the Open Session Minutes of October 8, 2012 with corrections identified below. The motion was approved. The vote was 9-0.

- Mrs. Moffly said page 3 should also include her statement about a speaker that was contacted by a CCSD staff member who encouraged the individual not to speak. Also, the minutes should say Mrs. Moffly requested the board approved Ed Specs.
- Mrs. Moffly suggested that she didn't support the second motion on Page 4 under item 1.4. And, in response to Mrs. Kandrac's inquiry on how she voted. Mrs. Moffly said she didn't support the second motion. However, it was determined that the 4-4 vote was correct and Mrs. Moffly voted in support of the motion.
- Mrs. Kandrac said her comments on the last line said page 8, 4th paragraph the word "he" should be replaced with the word "she". Also, Page 4 agenda item 1.4 Workers' Compensation agenda item should read "offered another alternate motion" instead of "an alternate motion". Finally Mrs. Kandrac said Page 5 Last line should say Mrs. Kandrac said she asked "the number of pages of the grant".

8.2: Motions of Executive Session of October 22,2012

The Board on Executive Session motions of October 22, 2012 as follows.

2.1: Superintendent's Evaluation

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mrs. Oplinger, to approve the superintendent's evaluation, subject to inclusion of High School End of Year Pass Rates and State Report Card along with the support card survey administered by the Studer Group, provided by Nov. 15th. The vote was 8-1 (Kandrac opposed).

In Open Session, Mrs. Kandrac stated that she received a survey on Oct 8th. However, she did not understand the depth of the survey because she received a large amount of information in a binder in previous years. She expressed concerns about being asked to vote on the Superintendent's Evaluation when she just received some related documents at 4:02pm today. Also Mrs. Kandrac asked if Studer representatives were at the board meeting. After being told they were not, she said she wouldn't support the superintendent's evaluation.

Mr. Fraser commended Dr. McGinley for her work this year then he urged the board to approve the recommendation.

Mr. Ascue said the evaluation was weighed by scores which is a result of the superintendent and work of her team. He went on to say her accomplishments are documented in binders that were previously provided to the board. Mr. Ascue requested the information be provided to the board in the future. Also he said in Executive Session the board spoke about posting scorecards to track the district's progress.

Rev. Collins asked about graduation rates and requested rates by ethnicity. Dr. Donnelly said the 2011 rates are posted and she could provide the information by ethnicity in the future. Dr. McGinley added that the outcome shows that it was lower in previous years.

2.2: Student Transfer Appeals - In County Requests

Mr. Ascue moved, seconded by Mrs. Moffly approval of in-county student transfer appeal requests listed below. The vote was 8-0.

- Approve A, B, C, and D
- Deny E

NOTE: Since Mrs. Oplinger hung up at 7pm. She did not vote on this item.

2.3: Student Transfer Appeals - Out-of- County Request

Mrs. Moffly moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve an Out-of-County student transfer appeal.

Rev. Collins offered an amendment that was accepted by Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Moffly to approve the out-of county student transfer appeal for remainder of this academic school year. If interested in attending CCSD schools next year, must follow the transfer out procedure from home district.

After Mrs. Kandrac said the district would not receive funds if the student transferring to Charleston. The board approved the amendment with a vote of 5-3 (Fraser, Coats, and Kandrac opposed).

Note: Mr. Fraser left the meeting at 7:05pm, immediately after voting on this item.

2.4: Sullivan's Island Elementary School (SIES) Early Foundation Package - Mr. Michael Bobby - Chief Financial and Operations Officer

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mrs. Oplinger, to approve a recommendation authorizing staff to enter into a contract for an Early Foundation Package for Sullivan's Island Elementary School. The vote was 7-2 (Kandrac and Moffly opposed).

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment, seconded by Mrs. Moffly, to delay approval until the court case is decided. The vote failed 6-3 (Kandrac, Moffly and Thomas supported the motion).

In Open Session, Mrs. Moffly requested the floor be opened for discussion of this agenda item. She stated that the community is unnecessarily divided over an issue of 500 student enrollment when there isn't a board policy or board directive. She suggested the community be allowed

the opportunity to have a referendum.

Mr. Thomas expressed concerns about the board moving forward with litigation pending.

Mrs. Kandrac said the letters the board received from Town Council confirm the fear of the community to build a 500 student schools or none.

Mr. Ascue said he attended several public meetings and it's a tragedy that a decision can't be made to build the school at the same location. He supports Town Council's decision. He doesn't want to further delay the project.

Rev. Collins said the board has one task to educate student equally. The referendum and petition has little bearing on the board's decision. The question is how many students should be educated at SIES 300 or 500. In his opinion, the more the better.

Mr. Todd Garrett addressed concerns expressed by individuals who felt he should not vote on the SIES recommendation because he has family members at the school. He called Cathy Hazelwood at the State Ethics Commission about the matter, earlier today. He has seven nieces and nephews that have, do or will go to the SIES and a sister-in-law works at SIES and his brother owns part of a construction company that does and will bid for construction projects with the district. He would not have input in projects they win, nor would he have input on how they are selected. He has family members throughout the district and would not vote on anything if it was because he had or didn't have a family member at Wando High or James B. Edwards ES, etc. He looked into it to see that the district is not spending money foolishly on a construction project that is more expensive than it should be. Going from the front beach to the secondary site the changing cost is marginal and the school district decided to raise the pilings so there could be a playground underneath the school, and both options were considered. In response to concerns about the minority voices not being heard, Mr. Garrett said he met with community members from Sullivan's Island and Isle of Palms who are all involved with the school and he was overwhelmed that the vast majority of the people favored the recommendation. It is not a small majority but a large majority whose will have been heard.

After discussion, the board voted on both motions. Then took a 5 minute break at 6:35pm.

8.3: A. Financial Minutes of October 8, 2012

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, approval of the Financial Minutes of October 8, 2012. The vote was 9-0.

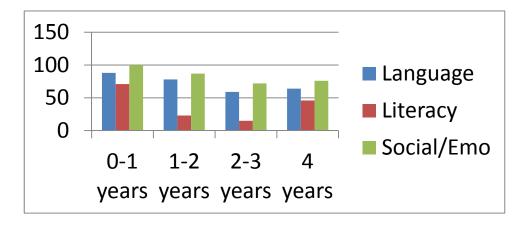
IX. CAE UPDATE

- Head Start Annual Report Dr. Lerah Lee, Executive Director of Early Childhood
 Education presented on the Head Start annual report. Her presentation will be posted
 on the Board of Trustees page on the district's website at www.ccsdschools.com.
 - The Early Learning Community's mission is to provide instruction that is intellectually rigorous as well as developmentally appropriate for birth through five-year-old children. Our role is to lay a solid foundation that will support our children and families from "cribs to colleges."
 - Head Start is a federal program that promotes the school readiness of children ages birth to five from low-income families by enhancing their cognitive, social, and emotional development.
 - Head Start programs provide a learning environment that supports children's growth in the following domains:
 - o language and literacy;

- o cognition and general knowledge;
- o physical development and health;
- o social and emotional development; and
- o approaches to learning.
- Head Start programs provide comprehensive services to enrolled children and their families, which include health, nutrition, social, and other services determined to be necessary by family needs assessments, in addition to education and cognitive development services. Head Start services are designed to be responsive to each child and family's ethnic, cultural, and linguistic heritage.
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- Early Head Start programs provide comprehensive child and family development services for low-income pregnant women and families with infants and toddlers ages birth to thirty-six months. During the 2011-2012, CCSD served 144 pregnant women, infants and toddlers in eight early learning centers.
 - Stall, Discovery School, Midland Park, West Ashley Head Start, Child and Family Development Center, Charleston County Human Services, Juanita Middleton Rising Star Center, Sanders Clyde

24 Home Based Families-First Steps

- CCSD's 20+ Head Start programs serve 1,001 students and their families. Each program enhances children's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development by supporting parents and helping them become more self-sufficient.
- The Grant Year 2011 total grant award for the Head Start and Early Head Start Programs was \$8,302,248. In addition, CCSD's general operating funds contributed \$2,075,562 in in-kind services and expenditures. The chart below reflects the percentage of the total budget for the programs including the district's in-kind contribution.
- 2011-12 Gold Data



- Ongoing Monitoring
- Communication
- ERSEA-eligibility verification process
- Parental Consent Processes
- Monthly Financial Reports/P-Card Statements will be included in the board's Friday Update.
- Health and Safety

- 45 day screening process
- Infusion of iPads in all of our centers
- Parents are moving towards self sufficiency-Several graduates from high school and GED programs
- Parents are entering college
- Research Based Professional Development
- Classroom Based Staff completing degrees
- Refining policies and procedures, finance
- NAEYC Accreditation at CFDC
- Collaboration with College of Charleston
- CAE—Four Strategic Priorities. Where do we fall?
 - 1. Effective Teaching and Leadership
 - 2. Literacy Improvement
 - 3. World-Class Schools and Systems
 - 4. Strategic Partnerships
- "It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men."-Frederick Douglass

9.2: School of the Arts and Academic Magnet HS Admissions Criteria – Mr. Paul Padron – Executive Director of Access & Opportunity

The Board received information on the admissions criteria for School of the Arts (SOA) and Academic Magnet High School (AMHS).

Mr. Padron, Mrs. Judith Peterson – principal of Academic Magnet, Ms. Shannon Cook – principal of School of the Arts.

• Mrs. Peterson said the AMHS admissions criteria has been in place since 1988. It includes four pieces of academic information gathered from each applicant—1) grade point average from grade seven and the first marking period from grade 8 in math, science, social studies and language arts, 2) teacher recommendations from a math, english, science or social studies teacher, 3) a writing sample—students have one hour to respond. The following things will be adjusted: 1) all applicants for AMHS will take the same nationally norm standardized achievement test (Explorer Test) which is given annually to 8th grade students in CCSD schools.

Students from non-CCSD schools were previously able to use other reading and math scores based on the test they get in their schools. Now all students will be administered the Explorer test so that the playing field would be equal. Also, students who receive 85% or above on the math and reading sections will receive full credit on the matrix for those scores. That is the standard belief based on research that if they score 85% or above at the middle school level that is indication that they are academically able and would be successful at AMHS. Finally, to broaden the multi-cultural community, this year every student in the top three at middle schools in CCSD would be invited personally by Mrs. Peterson and Dr. McGinley to apply to AMHS.

Rev. Collins asked for clarification the writing sample. Mrs. Peterson said it a prop given to all students and it doesn't require any preparation. It reflects how well they think, put their thought down and use of high level vocabulary. Rev. Collins inquired about the program. Mrs. Peterson shared details and said the program is very academic and is designed for students who work at a higher level. Rev. Collins asked about extension of invitation to Middle School students. Mrs. Peterson said the invitation doesn't mean the student will meet the criteria. Rev. Collins inquired about the academic challenge and the average student of students graduating from AMHS. Mrs. Peterson said every student graduating from AMHS is eligible for Life

- Scholarship.
- o Dr. McGinley said the invitation is extended to middle school students who must meet criteria.
- o Mrs. Moffly asked about the Explorer test. Dr. McGinley said all students take the Explorer test and it is funded by the state. Mrs. Peterson said the test has been given for several years to identify student's strengths and help identify best colleges for students. She said it's nationally norm and better than the Criterion Reference Test.
- Ms. Shannon Cook said the Task Force went from eleven pages to six. The essay was
 eliminated. Teacher and adult recommendation was reduced. Two pages of audition
 requirements were added to the application. The school has changed to an anonymous
 audition process so there is no information on student or school student is coming from.
 The team focuses on the art and not other information that may cloud the decision.
 Also, other adjudicators are being brought in to help with the process.
 - o Mrs. Moffly asked how the school dealt with the waiting list. Ms. Shannon said when a seat becomes available the waiting list is checked for a comparable student. She spoke of the difficulty of reaching capacity. Staff is currently addressing how to address that issue and said admissions criteria are on the district's website.
 - o Mr. Ascue asked about auditions. Mrs. Shannon said normally during the spring. She also said some auditions are done during the summer. There are some openings at the school. However, the applicant's level must be at the same level as the student that was previously in that slot.
 - o Mrs. Coats requested a board update on AMHS and SOA.

X. MANAGEMENT REPORT(S)

XI. COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

- 11.1: Audit & Finance Committee Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats
- 11.2: Policy Committee Mrs. Elizabeth Moffly
 - A. Voluntary Transfer Mr. Michael Bobby Chief Financial and Operations Officer
 - The board received information from staff to accept and approve the Voluntary Transfer Process.

XII. POTENTIAL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

12.1: A. Request for Approval – Planet Bonehead – Dr. Lisa Herring

Mrs. Moffly moved, seconded by Mr. Garrett approval of the recommendation to use grant funds for Planet Bonehead learning opportunities at Burns ES, Chicora ES, Mary Ford ES, Ladson ES, Pinehurst ES, North Charleston ES, Sanders-Clyde ES, Memminger ES, James Simons ES, and Hursey ES. The vote was 7-0. Note (Fraser and Oplinger did not vote on this item).

Mrs. Kandrac asked if Cummins representatives were in the audience. Dr. Herring said Mr. Jed Cowell, Steve Clayton, Patricia Ramano, of Cummins were all in the audience. Ms. Ramono responded to Mrs. Kandrac's question about the kits and about the name "Planet Bonehead". She said the word bonehead is negative. Mrs. Ramano referred Mrs. Kandrac to the website. Mrs. Kandrac asked about test used. Dr. Herring said the PASS test was used.

Mr. Ascue thanked Cummins for efforts to support the district. Mr. Cowell said Cummins is interested in students with strong background in science. This program has measurable results.

Mrs. Moffly asked about pre and post tests. Ms. Ramano said Cummins works with CCSD staff member Mrs. Evahn Green to come up with questions. 20-30 Cummins volunteers are trained

to work with students in classrooms. Reading materials are left in classroom for teachers to follow through with students.

B. Update on Hursey Elementary – Montessori & Traditional Programs – (Collins, Ascue, Thomas and Moffly)

Rev. Collins requested the discussion be postponed. Therefore, the Board did not discuss the Update on Hursey Elementary – Montessori & Traditional Programs as requested by the four board members listed above.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Moffly moved, seconded by Mrs. Coats to adjourn the meeting at 8:03pm. The motion was approved by consensus.