

OPEN SESSION - 5:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charleston County School District was held on Monday, September 9, 2013, in the Board Room at 75 Calhoun Street with the following members of the Board present: Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats – Chair, Mr. Craig Ascue - Vice Chair, Mr. John Barter, Mr. Tom Ducker, Mr. Chris Fraser, Mr. Michael Miller, Mrs. Elizabeth Moffly, and Dr. Nancy J. McGinley, Superintendent and Executive Secretary. Rev. Collins participated telephonically during the first part of the meeting. Mr. Garrett was absent. Staff members Mr. Bill Briggman, Mr. Michael Bobby, Mr. John Emerson, Dr. Lisa Herring, Mrs. Audrey Lane, Mr. Louis Martin, Mr. John McCarron, Dr. Brenda Nelson, Ms. Terri Nichols, Mr. Paul Padron, Mrs. Latisha Vaughan-Brandon, Mrs. Michelle English Watson, and Dr. James Winbush were also in attendance.

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

At 5:00 p.m., Mrs. Coats called the meeting to order.

0.5: A. Request to Suspend Board Policy BEDA – Notification of Board Meeting

Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Fraser, to suspend Board policy BEDA – Notification of Board Meeting amending the agenda as follows. The vote was 8-0.

- Move agenda item 1.6 Contractual Matter immediately after Executive Session for voting purposes, after returning from Executive Session.
- Move the Audit and Finance Agenda Items 10.1A, B, and C up, after voting of agenda item 1.6.

B. Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Ascue moved, seconded by Mr. Fraser, to adopt the revised September 9, 2013 Board agenda. The vote was 8-0.

C. Public Comments on Lowcountry Leadership Charter Request

At this time, public comments were received from visitors who signed up to address the board about the Lowcountry Leadership Charter School (LLCS) request to use the Schroder facility until the charter school facility is completed.

1. Ms. Meggan Corbin Board, the Board Chair at Lowcountry Leadership Charter School (LLCS), requested approval of a temporary lease of the Schroder facility, starting September 10, 2013, while the permanent charter facility is under construction.
2. Ms. Mary Carmichael, the South Carolina Association of Public Charter Schools Executive Director, addressed the Board in support of the lease of LLCS.
3. Ms. Julianne Moffet, the Assistant Principal for Lowcountry Leadership Academy, urged the Board to support the lease for the temporary charter school to use the Schroder facility, to open tomorrow September 10, 2013.
4. Ms. Kaya Carter addressed the Board in support of LLCS. She said approximately 400 students are enrolled in the school.
5. Charsetta Graham, a LLCS charter parent, addressed the Board in support of a temporary lease for the charter school.
6. Mr. John Fisher, a volunteer at Jane Edwards ES, expressed concerns about the impact the new charter school would have on Jane Edwards ES. He said Jane Edwards ES would lose 24 Caucasian students.
7. Mr. Charles Glover, a District 23 Constituent Board member, expressed concerns about the impact the LLCS, the new charter school, would have on District 23 schools.
8. Mr. Michael Silver, a teacher at CC Blaney, addressed the Board about safety concerns and the impact the new charter school would have on schools in District 23 meeting the Vision 2016 goals.
9. Ms. Mary Adelana recalled life in the '60s when there was separation of schools and separation of students. She said students who leave charter schools return to regular public schools. She suggested that teachers hired to work at the charter school should consider working at an existing school. She also inquired about how leftover funds would be used.
10. Ms. Laura Lamberti, a Baptist Hill MS/HS parent, said approximately 100 students left the school last year and the charter school would impact enrollment in District 23 schools. She urged the

- Board to deny the temporary lease agreement request for LLCS.
11. Ms. Jacara Green, the PTA president at CC Blaney ES, questioned the lease request for Schroder and said the Board should consider allowing middle school students to return to the Schroder facility. Also, she mentioned the other entities currently using the facility.
 12. Ms. Bertha Moultrie expressed concerns about the temporary lease of the Schroder facility for the charter school. She spoke about the decline student enrollment over the years and the impact it has on school funds. She concluded that currently all District 23 are doing well, academically.
 13. Ms. Shanta Barron-Millan, the District 23 Board Chair, expressed concerns about the temporary lease request from LLCS for the Schroder facility. Her concerns were about transportation, enrollment, and racial imbalance. Currently, over 1500 students leave District 23 schools to attend schools in other districts. Many parents that opt to transfer students out of the district have not reviewed the District 23 student data or visited a school in that district. Mrs. Millan urged CCSD to provide more resources to District 23 to enable them to provide a better school versus providing a temporary facility for LLCS charter students at Schroder because of the competent teachers and principals employed in District 23 at this time.
 14. Ms. Michele Nothfer expressed concerns about the temporary lease of the Schroder facility and the impact it would have on District 23 schools. She urged the Board to deny the lease request.
 15. Mr. Christopher Brown expressed concerns about the issuance of a lease of the Schroder facility because of community needs.
 16. Ms. April Kemp addressed the Board in support of LLCS lease. She urged the Board to approve the lease request.
 17. Mr. Kiley Kemp addressed the Board in support of the LLCS lease of the Schroder facility.
 18. Mr. Joshua Washington addressed the Board in support of the charter school.
 19. Mr. Edward Mondo addressed the Board in support of the LLCS lease of the Schroder facility. He said charter schools offers love and support to students.

D. Lowcountry Leadership Charter Request to Lease Schroder Ms Facility

The Board discussed the request from Lowcountry Leadership Charter to lease the Schroder MS facility prior to going into executive session.

- Mr. Miller asked about the preparation of Schroder for LLCS. Mr. Bobby said, two weeks ago when he was asked to look at possibility/feasibility of using the building, staff looked at what had to be done to prepare the facility for LLCS. While some things they identified have been done, there are some capital things have not been done. The proposed lease will request that the charter school to absorb costs to make the facility ready for use by LLCS. Mr. Miller asked about community use of the facility between 9am and 3pm. Mr. Bobby said the Parks and Recreation Department has an afterschool program that would continue; CC Blaney ES and other nearby schools use the facility--gym and grounds for different activities; MUSC operates out of the Schroder facility; and Durham Bus Service buses are also parked there. Mr. Miller asked about the kitchen area use by Schroder. Mr. Bobby said the kitchen area would not be used by LLCS, at this time. The charter school would bring its own cooling equipment.
- Mr. Fraser asked if this was a state charter that has already been approved. Mr. Bobby confirmed. Then, Mr. Fraser said the school would operate regardless to the Board's decision. Mr. Bobby said it would, as soon as, a facility was identified.
- Mr. Ducker asked Mr. Bobby to explain the state charter and control the district has over it. Mr. Bobby said some charter schools are approved through the state; others are approved by the local school board. Mr. Ducker said the state approved LLCS and a building is being built for them. Therefore, they would only need a temporary facility. Mr. Ducker asked if the list of concerns from Mrs. Shanta Barron-Milan were addressed. Ms. Milan responded and said it could be in the final agreement.
- Mr. Ascue spoke of the importance of education. He said no one was interested in putting 400 students out. He asked about the Strategic Education Committee's review of another recent charter request. He expressed concerns about the poor record South Carolina had when it comes to educating students. He spoke of the importance of having diversity in schools and of the efforts of many individuals to correct diversity issues. He urged community members to address those issues.

- Mr. Barter asked if those using the Schroder facility would be impacted by the charter use of the facility. Mr. Bobby said the verbal and written agreement is that operations that exist currently would continue alongside the charter school operations. Mr. Barter asked what would happen to the 400 charter students during the construction of the charter school if the lease was not approved. Mr. Bobby said the students are currently at home waiting at home for the school to open. Parents and/or guardians are deciding what to do with their children during the interim. Mr. Barter asked if the wait could be up to 45 days. Mr. Bobby said it was possible. Mr. Barter asked about a back-up plan and the status of the building being built for LLCS and if it would be opened within the two months. Mr. Bobby said the district did not ask the charter for a written statement to confirm the timeframe. However, termination could be included in the agreement.
- Mrs. Moffly said the CCSD board should consider allowing LLCS to use the Schroder facility since it is vacant. Charter schools are public schools and she believes in parents making a school choice instead of governmental entities. Mrs. Moffly spoke of the concerns at Jane Edwards ES—enrollment and closure of small rural schools and ensured the community that the Board was supportive of rural schools.
- Mrs. Coats asked about the construction progress of the LLCS facility since August 26th. Mrs. Corbin said they communicate daily with construction crew working on LLCS and progress is being made. Mrs. Coats requested confirmation that the lease would not exceed 60 days. Ms. Corbin said she was certain the facility would ready by the end of October or first of November. Mrs. Coats asked Mr. Bobby about the traffic issues. Mr. Bobby said there are traffic concerns and LLCS parents transporting students to Schroder would add to it. Therefore, a different start/stop time is being considered to minimize traffic. Mrs. Coats asked about operation hours and was told by a District 23 principal that the operation hours were 8:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Mrs. Coats asked about the lease payment and if those funds could be used for District 23 schools. Mr. Fraser said a line item was added to the District's budget for Rural School Improvements.
- Rev. Collins asked about enrollment the first year. Mr. Bobby said 400 students. Then he asked where charter students came from. Mrs. Coats said it's a state supported school and students come from various areas. Rev. Collins expressed concerns about losing additional students from small rural schools and said the charter school wasn't needed in that area. He said West Ashley or Mt. Pleasant area would be a better area for a charter school. Mr. Ducker reminded Rev. Collins that LLCS was a state charter.
- Mr. Miller said the issue was more complicated than board members understood. Based on conversations he had with others about the request to use the Schroder facility and the creation of LLCS charter school. He said it was a bad marriage citing that there was no communication in the community prior to the lease request. He reiterated the importance of adults embracing diversity and the importance of having the Board speak on behalf of children.

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Ducker, to accept the request from Lowcountry Leadership Charter School pending a mutually agree upon lease to accommodate the 400 charter school students pending discussion in executive session. The vote was 6-2 (Ascue and Collins opposed).

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION - 5:30 p.m.

At 6:15 p.m. Mr. Fraser, moved, seconded by Mr. Ducker, to go in Executive Session to further discuss the Lowcountry Leadership Charter School (LLCS) facility lease and other agenda items. The motion was approved by consensus.

1.1: Student Transfer Appeals

1.2: Out of County Student Transfer Appeals

1.3: Home School Application

1.4: Workers Compensation Settlement

1.5: District 23 Constituent Board Vacancy

1.6: Contractual Matter – Lowcountry Leadership Charter School Lease

**OPEN SESSION - Immediately following Executive Session
(Approximately 6:00 p.m.)**

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

Mrs. Coats called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The same board members present (7). Rev. Collins called in for the discussion and vote on LLCS lease agreement.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA – See agenda item 0.5B.

IV. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS – Mrs. Erica Taylor, Executive Director of Strategy & Communications

There were no Special Recognitions to come before the Board at this meeting.

V. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Dr. Nancy J. McGinley – Superintendent of Schools

Dr. McGinley reported the following.

- CCSD is pleased to announce that a Memorandum of Understanding was signed as of September 5, 2013 to increase bandwidth in District 1 schools. Lincoln High School and St James-Santee Elementary School will be upgraded from 13Mb to 500Mb, at no additional cost to the district. The new circuits are expected to be installed in four to six months. For schools in District 23, discussions with the State Department of Information Technology and Spirit are ongoing. We anticipate similar success obtaining upgrades for the Hollywood/Ravenal-area schools in the near future.
- Dr. McGinley shared the following CCSD 2013 School Opening Statistics:
 - 46,886 students in school during the 7th day count;
 - 10,718 students enrolled in one or more Honors or AP courses;
 - 3,426 students attending charter schools;
 - 8,070 students enrolled in one or more CTE courses;
 - 4,806 students with Individual Education Plans;
 - 20,793 students attending a Title I school;
 - 4,939 students attending a magnet school;
 - 7,475 students attending a partial magnet program or school
 - 7,961 Gifted and Talented students
 - 1,033 students attending a Montessori school or program;
 - 118 students enrolled in Early Head Start;
 - 813 students enrolled in Head Start;
 - 40 schools with CD classes;
 - 94.5 full and half day CD programs;
 - 5 new CD 4 classes (Burns, Chicora, Lambs, Pepperhill and Ellington);
 - 1,536 students enrolled in CD 4;
 - 179 Pre K students with Individual Education Plans;
 - Ten CD classes are expected to open in January 2014;
 - 2,129 students in the Primary Grades Academy;
 - 760 first grade students in the Primary Grades Academy;
 - 693 second grade students in the Primary Grades Academy;
 - 544 third grade students in the Primary Grades Academy;
 - 110 fourth grade students in the Primary Grades Academy;
 - 79.4 Master Reading Teachers;
 - 19 schools with Middle School Literacy Academies;
 - 58.5 Associate Reading Teachers;
 - 43 schools with a Primary Grades Academy;
 - 22 sixth grade students in the Primary Grades Academy;
 - 645 students in the Middle Grades Academy;
 - 174 sixth grade students in the Middle Grades Academy;
 - 240 seventh grade students in the Middle Grades Academy; and
 - 231 eighth grade students in the Middle Grades Academy.
- The District’s School Choice Fair will be held on Saturday, Sept 21, 2013 at Burke HS.
- Today twenty CCSD employees participated in a free IBM class.

Mr. Ascue asked about the third page of the “Literacy Snapshot” where students lagging behind and teachers working with them. Dr. McGinley said three scores are used for identification of students for the Reading Academy—PASS, MAP, Fluency and Test level. Staff is investigating the data to determine what data the children are lacking.

Mr. Ascue asked what could be done to help high achieving students. Dr. McGinley said she is working on it.

VI. VISITORS, PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

1. Ms. Kate Darby, Chairman of the Wando SIC, addressed the board in support of the Wando and Laing

agenda items. Also, she spoke of the efforts of the Blue Ribbon Committee and the McKibben Report and how it impacted the building project when it said growth would be declining in that area.

- o Mrs. Moffly said the actual results from the meeting in 2008 were different from the results Mrs. Kate Darby shared.
2. Ms. Eva Dawson addressed the Board to request a walkway covering for students housed in trailers at Springfield ES.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

Open Session Minutes of August 26, 2013

Mr. Barter moved, seconded by Mr. Fraser, to approve the open session minutes of August 26, 2013 with the following amendments. The vote was 7-0.

Mrs. Moffly said:

- August 22, 2013 - 7.1B-5 - for clarification, last year taxpayers paid \$2.5 million and this year the School Resource Officer Program cost is \$4.5 million; the following paragraph says Mrs. Moffly said she heard West Ashley HS searched students last year should read "dog searches."
- Also, 7.1B-9 – Race to the Top Grant – at the end, it states that she left the room and she did after the approval of the agenda item. However, there was no action, since it was just for information.
- 7.1B-12 – Mr. Lewis said the amount was \$5 million less. However, Mrs. Moffly said the savings of the Wando project should be \$11 million. Mrs. Coats asked Mr. Bobby to provide Mrs. Portia Stoney with information on the savings at Wando.
- 7.1B-13 The Mt. Pleasant meeting was on Wednesday; not Thursday. Also, Mr. Moffly should read Mrs. Moffly.

Executive Session Action Items of September 9, 2013

The Board voted on the following executive session action items of September 9, 2013.

1.1: Student Transfer Appeals

Mrs. Coats moved, seconded by Mr. Barter, to approve student transfer appeal A to James Island MS, student transfer appeals B and C were approved, and student transfer appeal D was denied. The vote was 6-0. Note: Collins and Moffly did not vote on this item.

1.2: Out of County Student Transfer Appeals

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Miller, to deny an Out of County Student Transfer Appeal. The vote was 6-0. Note: Collins and Moffly did not vote on this item.

1.3: Home School Application

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve a Home School Application. The vote was 6-0. Note: Collins and Moffly did not vote on this item.

1.4: Workers Compensation Settlement

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve a workers' compensation settlement. The vote was 6-0. Note: Collins and Moffly did not vote on this item.

1.5: District 23 Constituent Board Vacancy

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the recommendation for Dr. Lethia L. Miles to fill the vacant seat on the District 23 Constituent Board. The vote was 6-0. Note: Collins and Moffly did not vote on this item.

1.6: Contractual Matter

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Ducker, to approve the Lowcountry Leadership Charter lease agreement, subject to execution of a final facilities use and lease agreement as follows:

- That the District enters into a lease agreement with LLCs with an effective date once the document is signed as recommended by the district with the lease amount as shown.
- The school's start time of school staggered to start at 9am and police officers be hired for a period of two hours in the morning and afternoon from 7-9am and 3-5pm to help with traffic control.
- The insurance deductible difference should be purchased by the charter school. And, in terms of the insurance policy, the overall amount of the insurance should be increased by \$5 million to be consistent with the most recent agreement.

- All use and access controls, and necessary things be adhered to.
- Excess money from the agreement would be set aside for use in rural schools in District 23 schools.

Mr. Fraser went on to say that it was doubtful that the agreement would be finalized by the next business day or two because of the details that must be addressed.

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Ducker, that the district move forward with the lease request and authorize the district to do so.

Mr. Ducker requested the motion be amended to authorize Mr. Fraser to negotiate the lease with the charter school for the District. Mr. Barter seconded the amendment. Then he said the termination date should be added. Mr. Fraser agreed and said a total of sixty days from the date of execution. Mr. Barter added, with no possibility of extension. Mr. Fraser confirmed.

Mrs. Moffly requested a copy of the revised lease. Mrs. Coats agreed. Then she said a generally negotiated lease was prepared by LLCs. The lease would not be considered until issues identified by the district are resolved. The lease will become effective the date it is signed, for sixty days thereafter, with no extension. Any net revenue from the lease money will be directed to District 23 school programs, as the board chooses. The charter school agrees to alter their start time to 9am and pay for police officers from 7:30 am to 9:30 am and 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm for traffic control. The charter will adhere to the deductible the district has in place, and that it not be reduced for this lease. If the school requires a lower deductible, they will be required to purchase more insurance to cover the gap. The insurance coverage is \$5 million. Approval is pending an accurate use agreement addressing security, entrance, etc. Mrs. Coats said the lease would assumedly be approved once these issues were addressed.

Rev. Collins said it wasn't in the district's best interest for Mr. Fraser to negotiate the lease because it would make him liable. Mrs. Coats said Mr. Fraser would be the Board's liaisons working with District staff negotiate the lease with the charter school. If negotiated with the District's request, it would not need to come back before the Board for approval. Mr. Fraser would not negotiate directly with the charter school.

At this time, Mr. Fraser and Mr. Barter called for the question. The vote was 5-3 (Ascue, Collins and Miller opposed).

Rev. Collins hung up at 7:11 p.m. Therefore, he did not vote on other agenda items after this time.

7.3: Financial Minutes of August 26, 2013

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Ducker, to approve the financial minutes of August 26, 2013. The vote was 7-0.

VIII. CAE UPDATE

8.1 Elementary and Secondary Education Act Update – Christine Power – Innovation Zone Learning Specialist

The Board received an overview on ESEA covering the following:

- Definition of ratings and how they are calculated
- Comparison of State and Federal Reports
 - State Report (Report Card) looks at all groups; the Federal Report (ESEA Report) a looks at sub groups
- AYP changes
- Annual Measurable Goals
- Grade Calculations
- Two At Risk schools in the Innovation Zone

Mr. Ducker requested a copy of the presentation.

IX. MANAGEMENT REPORT(S)

There were no management reports to come before the Board at this meeting.

X. COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

10.1: Audit & Finance Committee – Mr. John Barter

A. Sales Tax Capital Programs 2011-2012 Cash Flow Management Strategy

Mr. Barter moved, seconded by Mr. Fraser, to approve the Sales Tax Capital Programs 2011-12 Cash Flow Management recommendation allowing staff to act on the Board's directive to create a strategy that would 1) Retain the existing and approved order of projects by wave, 2) Retain the existing and expected schedule of projects within each wave, and 3) Ensure that the district's cash flow is able to support the payments necessary that would be incurred in ensuring the actions found in items 1 and 2. The funding amount is not to exceed \$10 million and the funding sources are the General Operating Funds and 2005 Capital Building Program savings. The vote was 6-1 (Moffly opposed).

Mr. Barter asked the board for directions because of the combination of agenda items A, B, and C. He said a presentation from Mr. Bobby would help the Board better understand the movement of the money. Mr. Ascue said he was comfortable with it. Since no one felt they needed the presentation, Mr. Barter said there was a problem and the solution is the three recommendations before the board tonight.

Mrs. Moffly inquired about funding options for Carolina Park. Mr. Barter said if \$3.4 million was taken out to fund Laing. If the Board decides to use the \$3.4 million for Carolina Park, there would not be funds for the Laing extension. He said that's an option that would be discussed after voting of this item.

Mrs. Moffly suggested reprioritizing at this time to discuss 10.1B before 10.1A. Mr. Fraser said this vote would take money from sales tax and the next item would address the reallocation issue she is talking about. Mr. Ducker said cash flow management strategy is about how to get the money and another agenda item addresses the use of the money.

B. Allocation of 2005 Building Program Savings

Mr. Barter moved, seconded by Mr. Fraser, to approve the allocation of \$7,900,000 of savings from the 2005 Building Program and refunding of outstanding debt supporting this program to specifically provide for the following: 1) Complete the build out of the new Laing Middle School with an additional 300 seat capacity creating a total capacity at Laing Middle School of 1,200 students (\$3,400,000) and 2) Complete the build out of new Jennie Moore Elementary School from 900 to 1200 students (\$4,500,000). The funding source is the 2005 Building Program savings. The vote was 6-1 (Mrs. Moffly opposed).

Mr. Barter asked Mr. Bobby to present information on the financials and said the \$7.9 million is not enough to build a new school. Mr. Bobby said he would use Mr. Miller's bucket theory. He shared options of using other funding sources that could be used to build a school in the north part of Mt. Pleasant. He said General Funds could be used for any purpose in operating, maintaining and constructing. The district has worked hard to protect the GOF by removing Fixed Cost from the Capital Funds. The District continues to draw technology and software out of GOF and places them in Capital Funds. While \$10 million could be pulled to build a building, it would take away from money to purchase highly qualified staff.

Mr. Bobby said Fund Balance is there but it would not be wise to pull \$10 million from fund balance. The district may get a rating upgrade in about 60 days. The board just approved a short term loan from fund balance but there is a replenishment strategy. Doing so without replenishment strategy would not be a good idea.

Mr. Bobby said Sales Tax cannot be used on projects there were not approved on the 2010 Bond Referendum.

The Qualified School Construction Bond fund is not an option.

Alternative 2005-2010 is a possibility.

GO Bond- Sinking funds would be used to pay off debt. The district could pull \$8.4 million from various sources. However, \$3.4 million is needed to complete the Sullivan's Island ES project.

Fixed Cost of Ownership has \$18,000,000 and funds are already earmarked for projects. Should the district decide to pull it, there would be an impact.

Mr. Bobby said serious considerations would have to be made and it would have serious impact on other projects.

Mr. Bobby distributed a handout illustrating what could be done to build a school at Carolina Park. Mr. Bobby said there is well over \$5 million in needs across the district. The board is serious about improving short term security needs across the district. Mrs. Coats said it's on page 34 of the handout.

Mrs. Moffly said overcrowding north of Mt. Pleasant has been a pressing need since 2005. She spoke about previous building programs and failed intents to build new schools in Mt. Pleasant. She urged the Board to consider building a new Mt. Pleasant school to address overcrowding issues in Mt. Pleasant. She said the seventh day enrollment would soon be available to confirm the enrollment numbers. She spoke about a significant savings on the Sullivan's Island project that would reduce the amount needed for the Sullivan's Island ES project. Mrs. Moffly suggested the Board look at funding sources and possibly reprioritizing the needs. Mrs. Moffly spoke about a TIF coming on in 2014. Mr. Bobby said that had already been included. Mrs. Moffly asked about the debt service fund balance of \$13 million and its status. Mr. Bobby said it's a part of the Sinking Funds. Mr. Bobby said about the Fixed Cost of Ownership, he would be willing to provide it to the Board again. There was a question about \$2million but it is wireless across the district. Mrs. Moffly asked about staffing contingency funds that could be used. Mrs. Moffly also asked about the savings from the Zone Concept—four Associates instead of six. She asked why there was such a large budget allocated to districts. I.e., Innovation Zone Learning Community and other learning communities. Mrs. Coats said it was discussed earlier and each Learning Zone had two constituent offices.

Mr. Ducker asked if there would be a motion for the Board to vote on or was the Board reviewing the entire budget tonight.

Mr. Ascue asked about finding \$10 million to release to Carolina Park. Mr. Bobby said there is \$13 million for Jennie Moore and Laing. If the Board chose not to do those projects, those funds could be used on Carolina Park. He has shared a plan to get additional seats in Mt. Pleasant. There are three things that could be considered after additional analysis that could be done. He said the district could ask the Constituent Board to rezone and open Carolina Park at Wando South on August 2015. That may not be desirable. Another option, if a referendum was passed by 2016, money could be borrowed from proceeds contingent upon a referendum. A third option was to include it in the next building program. He said the answer is not finding \$35 million from various sources to build Carolina Park. Mrs. Moffly said it was done to build Sullivan's Island ES. She said they only had \$10 million for renovation. She said Carolina Park could be done likewise. She said the One Cent tax should be spread out among many projects when there is a need north of Mt. Pleasant. Mrs. Coats said there are needs in other districts. Mrs. Moffly said her district was promised a school since 2005. Mrs. Coats said North Charleston was also promised Chicora.

Mr. Barter said the conversation should be contained to what could be done. Sales tax money could not be used for the school north of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Ascue asked Mr. Bobby to talk about a deal with a private entity that would fund and create the project. He said it would be a way to get it done quickly. He said they must ensure that it would not impact other district funds such as the 8% funds.

Mr. Miller asked how aggressive was the Board approaching the subject of having the subdivision build a school. Is it being considered and how fast could it happen. Mr. Bobby said they are

considering it and he has inquired with Legal Counsel to resolve issues. Also, there is a possibility to discuss it with the developer. Mr. Miller asked if it's something that should be considered in other areas. Mr. Barter said that is a possibility if the district is able to work through the issues.

Mr. Fraser said public partnership is an option. The recommendation is the one choice that would get the work done the fastest.

Mr. Barter said allocation is to use the \$7.9 million to expand Laing.

Mrs. Moffly requested permission for Mr. Ken Glasson, a Mt. Pleasant Town Council Representative, to address the Board. He said the options would not address shortage of seats in the north area of Mt. Pleasant. He urged the Board to take every option to find money to fund the project in the north area.

C. Allocation of Sales Tax Funds to Enable Completion of Elements of the Wando High School Center for Advanced Study and the Memminger Elementary School Projects

Mr. Barter moved, seconded by Mr. Fraser to approve the allocation of sales tax for completion of 1) Wando High School Center for Advanced Studies (Cafeteria expansion - \$1,650,000, Connector road - \$1,250,000, and Wireless Overlay and Technology Upgrades (Safety and Security- \$800,000) and 2) Memminger Elementary School Project (Staff Parking Lot - \$400,000). The total cost of \$4,100,000 will be funded by the Sales Tax Program.

Mrs. Moffly moved, seconded by Mr. Fraser to amend the motion that \$250,000 for the replacement of the wireless network be funded from Fixed Cost of Ownership and that the money be moved back when feasible. Mr. Fraser accepted the amendment. The amended motion was approved 7-0.

Mr. Barter said the Audit and Finance unanimously supported the motion. He said it would eliminate traffic, cafeteria and parking problems. About the wireless upgrades, Mr. Bobby said 40% of the \$800,000 was to replace the phone system at Wando. Also, the remainder of the money was for wireless internet to cover the grounds. He said it was a reasonable investment considering all that is invested at Wando.

Mrs. Moffly said the upgrade of the older part of the Wando facility should come out of Informational Technology funds. Mr. McCarron said there is an integration program to enable the phone to operate. Mrs. Moffly said her question is about using Informational Technology funds for the existing Wando facility. Mr. Bobby said they had a choice and chose this option and saw it as an integration effort to make the system work.

D. Review of Audit & Finance Committee

Mr. Barter said the Audit and Finance Committee charter would be provided at a future meeting.

10.2: Policy Committee – Mr. Chris Fraser

A. First Reading – Policy IHBH – Charter Schools

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Barter, to approve the first reading of Policy IHBH – Charter Schools. The vote was 6-0. Note, Mrs. Moffly did not vote on this item since she was out of the room during the vote.

B. Review of the Policy Committee Charter

Mr. Fraser said the Policy Committee will bring its charter to a future Board meeting.

10.3: Strategic Education Committee – Mr. Michael Miller

A. Strategic Education Committee Charter

The Board will review the Strategic Education Committee charter at a future Board meeting.

10.4: Ad Hoc Committee – Mr. Ducker

The Board will review the Board agenda recommendation from the Ad Hoc Committee at a later date.

XI. POTENTIAL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mr. Ducker requested a presentation on Common Core.

Since there was no other business to come before the CCSD Board of Trustees, Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Ascue, to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

