

A Special Called Meeting of the Charleston County School District Board of Trustees was held at 8:30am on Monday, October 27, 2014, in the Board Room at 75 Calhoun Street to discuss a single agenda item. The following members of the Board were present: Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats - Chair, Mr. Tom Ducker – Vice Chair, Rev. Chris Collins, Mr. Chris Fraser, Mr. Todd Garrett, Mr. Michael Miller, Mrs. Elizabeth Moffly, and Mr. Emerson Tripp Wiles. Mr. Craig Ascue participated by phone in Executive Session.

Staff members Mr. Michael Bobby, Mr. Bill Briggman, Mr. John Emerson, Dr. Lisa Herring, Mr. Ron Kramps, Mr. Louis Martin, Mr. John McCarron, Dr. Brenda Nelson, Mrs. Terri Nichols, Mr. Paul Padron, Mrs. Erica Taylor, Mrs. Latisha Vaughn-Brandon, Mrs. Anita Huggins, Mrs. Audrey Lane, and Dr. James Winbush were also in attendance.

News media was noticed and Ms. Amanda Kerr from the Post & Courier was present.

I. OPEN SESSION

1.1: CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Cindy Coats called the Special Called meeting of October 27, 2014 to order at 8:30am. Then Mr. Ducker moved, seconded by Mr. Fraser, to go in Executive Session to discuss the item listed on the agenda. The motion was approved by consensus.

1.2: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

2.1: Personnel/Legal Matter

The Board discussed a personnel issue and received legal advice.

III. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

3.1: Executive Session Items of October 27, 2014

At 9:58, the Board reconvened in Open Session with the eight members present and Mr. Ascue on the telephone.

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mr. Garrett, to have Mrs. Coats read a statement from the Board regarding the cancelation of the superintendent's evaluation meeting and the Board meeting. The vote was 9-0.

Mrs. Coats read the following statement:

PUBLIC STATEMENT - Dr. Nancy J. McGinley - 10/27/14

The Charleston County School District Board of Trustees and Dr. McGinley have a professional employment contract that outlines the relationship and course of conduct between them. Among other responsibilities, the contract provides for the Board to annually evaluate Dr. McGinley's performance as superintendent. Both Dr. McGinley and the Board are committed to honoring their contractual responsibilities.

While the Superintendent's annual performance evaluation was initially scheduled to take place at this afternoon's Board meeting, with Dr. McGinley's consent the Board has determined it most appropriate to postpone the evaluation meeting and the Board meeting until the board meets again.

Accordingly, the Board will postpone the evaluation matter. In the interim, we will continue appropriate discussions with the Superintendent as to how the District and community may best move forward. We appreciate the understanding, patience, and support of the Charleston community during this process.

At this time, Mr. Miller stated for the record that he did not support canceling the Board meeting scheduled to be held tonight. Rev. Collins supported Mr. Miller's statement and said the Board is accountable for meeting public expectations.

At 10:02am, Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by Mrs. Moffly, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous.