

OPEN SESSION

4:00 p.m.

A Special Called Telephonic meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charleston County School District was held on Monday, May 2, 2011 to discuss a single agenda item. The following members of the Board participated: Mr. Chris Fraser – Chair, Mrs. Ann Oplinger - Vice Chair, Mr. Craig Ascue, Mrs. Cindy Bohn Coats, Rev. Chris Collins, Mrs. Toya Hampton-Green, Mrs. Elizabeth Kandrak, Mrs. Elizabeth Moffly, Mrs. Mary Ann Taylor, and Dr. Nancy J. McGinley, Superintendent and Executive Secretary. Staff members Mr. Michael Bobby, Mr. John Emerson, and Mr. Elliot Smalley also participated in the telephonic meeting.

News media were noticed and an invitation was extended to constituents to listen in on the telephone conference in the Board Room at 75 Calhoun Street. However, news media were not present and only one community member sat in with staff. The agenda item is listed below:

1.1: Constituent 3 Bus Schedule/Bell Time Changes

The Board began Open Session at 9:02 a.m. Chairman Fraser called the meeting to order then he announced the purpose of the meeting is to reconsider the April 11th motion the Board approved regarding District 3 Bus Schedule /Bell Time Changes.

During discussion, Mrs. Moffly said she was not clear why there was a problem with the earlier decision since Durham provided bus service for James Island Charter High School prior to JICHS joining the CCSD tier. Mr. Bobby said while JICHS had a contract with Durham, they were not a part of the 2008-09 District 3 tier system. Mr. Ascue asked if this decision required a contract modification for James Island Charter. Mr. Bobby said it didn't since the contract was not executed, at this point. Mrs. Moffly asked about the Board's litigation against charter schools and the cost. She also asked if the current board had taken a stance against charter schools, like the previous board. Mr. Fraser requested Mr. Emerson bring charter school litigation information to the next board meeting.

Mrs. Taylor asked if input would be received from community members now the 2010-11 bus schedule/bell time changes decision has been rescinded. Mrs. Coats commented that James Island Charter High School approached the district about the bus schedule adjustment.

Mrs. Oplinger moved, seconded by Mrs. Coats, to rescind the motion approved April 11, 2011 to modify the Bell Schedule in District 3 for the 2011 – 2012 School Year. The motion was approved 9-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Oplinger motioned, seconded by Mrs. Coats adjournment at 9:15 a.m. The motion was approved by consent.