
From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Thursday, June 21, 2018 9:18 AM
To: fran bisi
Cc: Crosby, Tonya V; Campbell, Earl; Dunkle, Joseph R; Payne, Wilbur M; Gwozdz, Christina S; Striebinger, David R; Cordray, Mary M; Orischak, Josephine A; Kinton, Geraldine C; Dowling, John R; Gregory, Cynthia W; Covert Michael; g.dawson; brian flewelling; s. rodman; rick caporale; s. fobes; Jerry Stewart; Staff; Maggie Angst; Liz Farrell; David Lauderdale; Jerry at the Beach; Windrunnerstables Info; Jim Bequette; Joan Deery; Marilyn Bullard; Dan Hunt; Mike Gleason; REBECCA BASS; Murphy, Reggie D; Mock, Lori N; Saunders, William H
Subject: Re: P-Card charges April 2018

The Transparency Report has been placed on the Board Agenda for questions or additional information. If you have concerns you should send those to your board representative or complete a FOIA request and send it to the proper individual.

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On Jun 21, 2018, at 8:44 AM, fran bisi <eyelandart@yahoo.com> wrote:

Since there was only one question about the April Transparency Report from the board at the last meeting, I would like clarification on the following charges. Merely noting the name of a hotel with the explanation "travel or reservation" is redundant and not fully transparent in my opinion.

1.) 4/11/2018	HILTON HOTEL SAN DIEGO	TRAVEL HOTEL	TXN00216720	\$1,104.92
4/11/2018	HILTON HOTEL SAN DIEGO	TRAVEL HOTEL	TXN00216735	\$276.23
4/11/2018	HILTON HOTEL SAN DIEGO	TRAVEL HOTEL	TXN00216766	\$276.23
4/11/2018	HILTON HOTEL SAN DIEGO	TRAVEL HOTEL	TXN00216784	\$1,104.92
4/24/2018	HILTON HOTELS ANATOLE	HILTON HOTELS RESERVATION	TXN00217736	\$862.89

4/24/2018	HILTON HOTELS ANATOLE	HILTON HOTELS RESERVATION	TXN00217752	\$862.89
4/25/2018	EMBASSY SUITES COLUMBI	TRAVEL HOTEL	TXN00217823	\$119.70
4/26/2018	Doubletree Myrtle Beach	DOUBLETREE MYRTLE BEACH	TXN00217919	\$300.16
4/26/2018	Doubletree Myrtle	DOUBLETREE MYRTLE	TXN0021798	\$134.50
4/30/2018	Doubletree Myrtle Beach	ROOM ACCOMODATION	TXN00218177	\$256.58
4/30/2018	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS	ROOM ACCOMODATION	TXN00218277	\$235.20
				\$5,042.44

2.) There is a charge for collision repair to a vehicle that needs clarification:

4/30/2018	NRAM COLLISION CENTER	VEHICLE 8100-102 REPAIR	TXN00218281	\$10,557.02	General Fund District Office
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Why wouldn't insurance be used to repair a vehicle and what was the incident that caused the repairs to be made?

3.) Do the following charges made to the Board's credit card include the lodging for Drew Davis and his wife who went to San Antonio. *Since at that time Davis had already resigned, why would it be necessary for him to attend a meeting on taxpayer's dollars?*

BOARD OF EDUCATION 3509					
TXN00216229	04/05/2018	04/04/2018	\$1,074.10	MARRIOTT S	ANTONIO RVR
TXN00216264	04/05/2018	04/04/2018	\$537.05	MARRIOTT S	ANTONIO RVR
TXN00216281	04/05/2018	04/04/2018	\$805.58	MARRIOTT S	ANTONIO RVR
TXN00216426	04/06/2018	04/05/2018	\$1,342.63	MARRIOTT	SN ANTONIO RW
TXN00216539	04/09/2018	04/07/2018	\$805.58	MARRIOTT S	ANTONIO RVR

4.) I have noticed that payments to Kathy Baker have been corrected since I pointed out the error. It was incorrectly entered for years as "Employee Reimbursement-Services Rendered", even though she was not an employee. *Do you know why this obvious mistake went on for years without being found in the annual audit?* Anyone with an entry level knowledge of bookkeeping would be able to see a blatant error like this. An auditor would have to know that an employee cannot be reimbursed for "Services Rendered".

It now reads:

4/13/2018 KATHY BAKER FOR SERVICES RENDERED 3/19-
29 218359 **\$3520.00**

5.) A payment was made to the Bank of America for almost \$2 million:

4/23/2018 PAYMENT THANK YOU MARCH P CARD
PAYMENT **(\$1,811,094.51)** ASSOCIATED FUNDS DISTRICT OFFICE
**I understand that many funds reimburse one fund, but what fund
was used to make the one payment?**

**6.) Why was the Finance Emergency card used to make 26 payments
(including 11 to Jasper WSA and 11 to Walgreens photo.com)
totaling \$7,399.10?** Is it because the Finance Dept.'s credit card was
maxed out with 118 total transactions and charges of **\$170,106.51**? You
have stated that the Finance Dept. Emergency Credit Card is only used for
just that..emergencies.

7.) The bulk of the \$170,106.51 charged to the Finance Dept. was incurred
through the payment of utilities. **Why is the Finance Dept. credit card
being used to pay utilities?**

**8.) Has the source of payment for the referendum been decided? If
so, where is the money coming from and what is the final cost?**

fran bisi

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 6, 2018 3:28 PM
To: Tom Hatfield; Michael Hellman; Bill Herbkersman; Al Herd; Jocelyn HHI Realtors; Fred Hoaglin; Terry Hoos; Charlie Howell; Jessi I; Wes Jones; Kim Likens; Mark King; Wes Kitashima; Peter Kristian; mike kronimus; Greg Kronz; Lennox, Tom; John McCann; Lawrence McElynn; Lynn McGee; Megan Meyer; Bill Miles; Rich Miller; Minor, Jim; Moss, Jeffrey C; Rick Murray; Glenn Neff; Newton, Weston; Andra O
Subject: Stu's Endorsements for the June 12th Primary Election
Attachments: Stu's Primary Endorsements.docx

Friends,

Since many of you ask, please find attached my endorsements and feel free to share with your network.

Very important! We need to elect George Wright.

Cheers,

Stu

Stu's Republican Primary Endorsements

1. Governor Henry McMaster:

- First in SC, an early Primary State, and one the first nationally to endorse President Trump. The rest is history!
- Instrumental in passing the SC Marriage Amendment and by the 2nd highest margin in the Country.
- Strong record as SC Attorney General and Chairman of SC Republican Party.

2. Honorable Jeff Bradley for SC House:

- Earned respect in short period of time in Columbia.
- Leading on fixing the state pension system, which is broken.

3. Sheriff P.J. Tanner:

- Exceptionally strong and no nonsense leader.
- Runs a tight ship. Performed very well during the hurricanes.

4. George Wright for County Auditor:

Position:

- The title Auditor is a misnomer. It is primarily a clerical job.
- The County employs outside financial auditors
- The County Assessor, a County employee, sets real property values.
- The County Auditor sets the value of all other property, such as cars, (primarily a look-up book value) & helps prepare the tax bills.

Jim Beckett, current Auditor running for re-election:

- Has alienated just about everybody including County Council and the County Administration that have to work with him.
- My constituents report that he is rude and difficult to work with and the accuracy of tax rates on cars is questionable.
- His claims of saving the County money are totally bogus and unfounded.

George Wright, running for Auditor:

- Has done an outstanding job as Deputy Treasurer.
- A 20 year Marine and no-nonsense, stand-up guy.
- Will do a great job, correct the mistakes that are accumulating, and restore the important working relationship between the Auditor and the rest of the County.

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2018 11:08 PM
To: Valerie T; Moss, Jeffrey C
Attachments: Education Op Ed.docx

Valerie and Jeff,

The final version of my Op Ed.

Cheers,

Stu

Lend me your ear! Common sense says that public education is not working:

- 1. US academic achievement seriously lagging that of the industrial world,**
- 2. Job opportunities for low achievers extremely limited,**
- 3. Teachers leaving the profession,**
- 4. Facility shortage,**
- 5. Costs too high,**
- 6. Employers begging for trained workers, and**
- 7. Academic performance for all too many unacceptably low.**

My thoughts as an old manufacturer / sometimes financial engineer as I reflect on a solution:

First, I would call in my QC Manager, who would say:

- 1. Quality is JOB #1 and the key to Quality is teachers!**
- 2. Upgrade teaching, and then academic performance / workforce issues will improve.**
- 3. Teachers are our JOB #1!**

What say you, my HR Manager?

- 1. Of course, teachers are our JOB #1.**
- 2. They are our “first responders” and our “boots on the ground.”**
- 3. When the economic realities set in, they discover the high cost of living, take second jobs, try to find summer employment, all of which is disheartening.**
- 4. Hiring is difficult; turnover is too high; and all too many move on.**
- 5. Teachers are our JOB #1 and professional compensation is the solution.**
- 6. Pay more and expect more!**

Accepting that teachers are our JOB #1, let's call in my Manufacturing Manager, who indignantly opines:

- 1. Of course, we need more facilities, but they are costly!**
- 2. What do you expect if you are only open for business part-time?**
- 3. The rest of the world works full time to remain competitive.**
- 4. It's no fun going to the public for more and more under-utilized facilities!**

What say you, my Bean Counter, who respectfully takes off his green eye shades as he enters?

- 1. Our variable cost is primarily teachers and the turnover is expensive!**
- 2. We have a high fixed cost including facilities, non-teaching staff, teacher benefits, running the AC during the summer, etc.**
- 3. Our cost structure is upside down with high costs being spread over too many under-utilized production units.**

So, it would appear that we have three problems to solve:

- 1. Professional teachers being treated as part-time workers,**
- 2. Too many low achievers leaving school with limited prospects for a satisfying life, and**
- 3. Under-utilized cost structure including facilities and staff.**

“Keep It Simple, Stupid,” the solution may be to “operate year-round” in order to:

- 1. Employ teachers year round and pay them as professionals,**
- 2. Reduce the cost by reducing the number of schools, and**
- 3. Rotate the student schedules such that a quarter are off in the summer, fall, winter, and spring.**

What say you, my Manufacturing Manager?

- 1. Now, you’re thinking like a manufacturer!**
- 2. We’ll need a quarter fewer schools, teachers, and staff.**
- 3. We can close some of the older, high maintenance schools and will not have to ask the public for new schools for many years.**
- 4. QC is on board; there are some challenges, but we can make it work!**

How about the numbers, Bean Counter?

- 1. With a quarter fewer teachers and their benefits, we can increase teacher salaries by 40% for working a third longer, and HR says we would be competitive.**
- 2. Total cost would decrease by at least 10%, including the teacher increases.**

What say you, my Outside Consultant?

1. Perception is reality: people think the costs are too high.
2. Leave behind the last vestige of the agriculture age and, of course, it will work. It will need significant study. Here is my proposal.

So, what do I think about the students?

1. 180-day school year for students who are doing well. They will continue to do well and, perhaps even better with more year-round opportunities to do diverse things, such as experiential learning, better part-time jobs, etc.
2. 240-day school year for students who are under performing. This solution offers a real opportunity to educate them by requiring more time in school; to do otherwise shortchanges them!

I wonder how the education community will view this comprehensive solution which:

1. Provides an incentive for performing students to have time off for other interests,
2. Better educates the under-performers,
3. Delivers a 10% overall cost reduction, and
4. Solves teacher shortage with a 40% salary increase?

What say you, teachers (and taxpayers)?

Stu

P.S. Maybe this doesn't apply to just K-12, but perhaps also to higher education?

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 12, 2018 11:24 AM
To: Valerie T; Moss, Jeffrey C
Subject: Draft Op Ed
Attachments: Education Op Ed.docx

Valarie and Jeff,

At the risk of my knuckles being engaged by a ruler, what say you?

In rough numbers, what is the average salary and benefits for teachers and what is their total teacher compensation as a percentage of total cost?

Cheers,

Stu

Hear, hear. Common sense would suggest that K-12 education is not all it should / could be:

- 1. Teachers are leaving the profession,**
- 2. There is a shortage of facilities,**
- 3. Costs are too high,**
- 4. Our workforce is begging for trained workers, and**
- 5. Academic performance for all too many is unacceptable.**

The thoughts of an old manufacturer and sometimes financial engineer.

First I would call in my QC Manager who would say:

- 1. Quality is JOB #1 and the key to Quality is teachers,**
- 2. Upgrade teaching and the workforce issues will improve,**
- 3. Likewise, academic performance will improve, and thus**
- 4. Teachers are JOB #1**

What say you, my HR Manager?

- 1. Of course, teachers are JOB #1,**
- 2. They are our first responders, boots on the ground, and direct labor,**
- 3. As young professionals, they love teaching and it is an avocation,**
- 4. The economic realities quickly set in and they discover the cost of living, which becomes more difficult as they get laid off in the summer, making their vocation challenging,**
- 5. Hiring is difficult and turnover is too high, and all too many move on,**
- 6. Pay more and expect more, and thus**
- 7. Teachers are JOB #1 and professional compensation is the solution,**

Accepting that teachers are Job #1, let's call in my manufacturing manager, who would indigently opine:

- 1. Of course, we need more facilities and they are expensive,**
- 2. What would you expect if you are only open for business part-time?**
- 3. The rest of the world works full time to remain competitive, and**
- 4. It's no fun always going to the public for more and more under-utilized facilities.**

What say you my bean counter, who respectively takes off his green eye shades as he enters?

- 1. Our variable cost is primarily teachers and the turnover is expensive,**
- 2. We have a high fixed cost including, facilities, non-teaching staff, teacher benefits, running the AC during the summer, etc. and thus,**
- 3. Our cost structure is upside down with high costs being spread over underutilized production units.**

So it would appear that we have two problems to solve:

- 1. Professional teachers being treated as part time workers, and**
- 2. Grossly underutilize cost structure including facilities and staff.**

“Keeping it Simple Stupid,” the solution is to operate year round in order to:

- 1. Employ teachers year round and pay them as professionals and**
- 2. Reduce the cost by reducing the number of schools.**

What say you, my Manufacturing Manager?

- 1. Now you’re thinking like a manufacturer,**
- 2. I’ll need a quarter less schools, teachers, and staff,**
- 3. We can close some of the older, high maintenance schools and will not have to ask the public for new schools for many years,**
- 4. QC is on board and there are some challenges, but we can make it work!**

How about the numbers, bean counter?

- 1. With a quarter less teachers and rolling in the benefits that are also saved, we could increase teacher salaries by 40% and HR says we would be competitive,**
- 2. Total cost, including the teacher increase, should decrease about 15%.**

What say you outside consultant?

- 1. Perception is reality and the people think the costs are too high.**
- 2. Kids that are doing well, will continue to do well and, perhaps even better with more year round opportunities to do diverse things, such as experiential learning, and**
- 3. There is a real opportunity to educate kids that are struggling.**

4. As the last vestige of the agriculture age, of course it will work, but it will need significant study and here is my proposal,

Helping the under-performing kids is extremely important, what do you propose?

1. They need more than 180 days a year and we are not doing them any favor by excusing them.
2. Set the school year at 240 days, excuse the performing students so they actually go 180 days, and in doing so, create an incentive, rather than a penalty, for all students.

Is it a comprehensive solution that?

1. Solves the teacher shortage problem,
2. Significantly reduces cost, and most importantly
3. Helps the under performers.

What say you taxpayers?

Stu

P.S. Incidentally, maybe this doesn't apply just to K-12, but also to TCL and USCB?

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, April 13, 2018 6:37 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C
Cc: Andy Beall; Megan Meyer
Subject: Santa Elena Foundation

Jeff,

As you may know, I was part of founding the Foundation, the District has a lot of activities with the History Center, and its Lowcountry Fair last November fell on the make up Saturday so few kids could participate.

It might be useful for us to meet at the History Center (if you have not yet visited it) with the staff and some of the Board to discuss:

1. Expanding the good relationship with the District
2. Participation in the Fair this November
3. Incorporating this history in the state curriculum

If so, there is no hurry and we can schedule a time at your convenience.

Cheers,

Stu

From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Tuesday, April 3, 2018 9:34 PM
To: Stu Rodman
Subject: Re: Letter

Perfect. Thank you

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On Apr 3, 2018, at 9:31 PM, Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com> wrote:

Jeff,

Letter attached.

Hope it helps.

Cheers,

Stu

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From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 3, 2018 9:32 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C
Subject: Letter
Attachments: 040318 Superintendent of the Year.docx

Jeff,

Letter attached.

Hope it helps.

Cheers,

Stu



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DESK OF COUNCILMAN STEWART H. RODMAN
COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA
District 11 (Hilton Head Island)

April 3, 2018

South Carolina Association of School Administrators
121 Westpark Boulevard, Suite A
Columbia, S.C. 29210

Re: Nomination of Beaufort County School District Superintendent Jeffrey Moss as
Superintendent of the Year

It is my distinct honor and pleasure to recommend Jeffrey Moss for the South Carolina Superintendent of the Year Award.

By way of introduction, I have served in Beaufort County for many years, first on the Board of Education and currently on the County Council which has the responsibility of approving the School District's operating budget. During most of my tenure, I have chaired the Finance Committees of both the School Board and County Council. The District's financial performance and security measures are outstanding.

The District's academic performance is solid and continuing to improve, including record graduation rates, college scholarships, advanced placement, and academic eligibility for athletes and of which have been recognized in a variety of awards, honors, certifications and accreditations.

The District has been sensitive to the needs of the community including expanding Pre-K, insuring that all student have mobile computers, implementing "schools of choice," expanding vocations education, and providing scholarships for post-secondary education.

Construction of new schools has kept pace with growth as the District continues to gain the support of the community to properly fund education.

No discussion of Jeff would be complete without recognizing that the Board of Education is dysfunctional, which all the more speaks to Jeff's accomplishments in spite of dealing with a Board that is not unified.

In conclusion, Jeff is an outstanding leader as measured by the District's performance and recognizing him as South Carolina's Superintendent of the Year would be most appropriate and well deserved.

Respectfully submitted,

Stu

From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2018 1:18 PM
To: Stu Rodman
Subject: Re: 2019 SC Superintendent of the Year

Thank you Stu. The letter is great and I am torn on the comments of the board, but let's leave them. I believe it adds to the ability to work in a strained environment.

Thank you

Jeff

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On Mar 23, 2018, at 10:33 AM, Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com> wrote:

Jeff,

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I can either drop or include the dysfunctional BoE comment depending on whether or not you think it is helpful,

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On Tue, Mar 20, 2018 at 3:16 PM, Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us> wrote:

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Subject: RE: 2019 SC Superintendent of the Year
Attachments: Achievement bullets-2018.doc

Here is a sample of recent accomplishments. Thank you

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To: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
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Jeff,

Congratulations

I would be honored to write a letter in support.

I don't follow the academic results. Do you have some data and / or suggested achievements that I could fold into the letter?

Cheers,

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District-wide improvements

March 2018

- The district's on-time high school graduation rate – the percentage of students who earn a diploma "on time" in four years – has improved for seven straight years and is at an all-time high.
- The graduating Class of 2017 earned more than \$40 million in college scholarships, an all-time high and the fifth consecutive increase.
- Fifty-four percent of high school students taking Advanced Placement courses scored high enough to qualify for college credit in 2017.
- Eighty-five percent of district 11th-graders scored high enough on the 2017 statewide administration of WorkKeys exams to qualify for certificates that they can use to apply for jobs anywhere in the nation. BCSD students outperformed their peers from most other districts.
- The district has created "schools of choice" in all attendance zones. Parents can apply to send their children to any academic program in the district, regardless of where they live. For the 2017-18 year, more than 3,500 students are enrolled in schools outside their attendance zones.
- The Connect2Learn program has put a mobile computer in the hands of every student.
- The district has added 260 full-day prekindergarten slots, which has allowed schools to reduce or even eliminate waiting lists of at-risk children who need focused attention before they start classes. The district earned the 2015 Champions for Children Award from the Institute of Child Success for its efforts to improve early childhood education.
- We have dramatically improved the district's security screening process for school volunteers and, at the same time, increased the number of volunteers from 1,300 to more than 7,200 in the last three years.
- In 2015 the district earned a renewal of its national accreditation from AdvancED, a nonprofit organization that reviews school systems around the world. The AdvancED review places BCSD in the Top 10 among South Carolina schools and the Top 10 in the AdvancED network, which includes international rankings. In addition, AdvancED awarded specialized STEM certification to all six district schools that applied, giving the district a perfect "approval rating."

- For the 2017 fall and winter sports, 97 percent of high school student athletes and 95 percent of middle school student athletes maintained their academic eligibility to participate in interscholastic sports under the district's 2.0 minimum grade point average requirement. Beaufort County is one of only two South Carolina districts that require a 2.0 minimum (a C average) to participate on athletics teams. The overall district-wide GPA for high school student athletes for the first two academic quarters of the 2017-18 academic year was 4.07. The overall district-wide GPA for middle school student athletes for the first two academic quarters of the 2017-18 academic year was 3.56.
- The Building a Better Beaufort Scholarship, also called "B3," pays up to two years of tuition costs at the Technical College of the Lowcountry for qualified local high school graduates. The superintendent's annual golf tournament fund-raiser has generated nearly a quarter-million dollars for B3 scholarships over the past three years.
- Two new cutting-edge schools serve the fast-growing Bluffton community: PreK-Grade 8 River Ridge Academy and May River High School.
- We are expanding career and technology courses designed to prepare students for high-paying jobs and industry certifications in rapidly emerging fields. New high-tech facilities are in use at Battery Creek and May River high schools.
- School Improvement Councils from the district have been honored as finalists for the Dick and Tunky Riley Award, which recognizes South Carolina's best SICs, in three of the last four years: Bluffton Middle in 2017, H.E. McCracken Middle in 2016 and Okatie and Port Royal elementary schools in 2014. Okatie Elementary's SIC went on to win the Riley Award in 2014.
- Okatie Elementary School became the first school in state history to earn three top honors in the same year: a National Blue Ribbon School award from the U.S. Department of Education, the 2014 Dick and Tunky Riley Award for the state's top School Improvement Council, and a 2014 Palmetto's Finest award from the South Carolina Association of School Administrators.
- Red Cedar Elementary won a 2015 Palmetto's Finest Award. Hilton Head Island High and Beaufort Middle were winners of 2012 Palmetto's Finest Schools Awards, making Beaufort one of only four districts in the award's 34-year history to have had two winners in the same year.
- We continue to see significant savings from smart financial decisions, as well as from the installation of cutting-edge technology that conserves power and water.
- Over the past 18 years, the district has never had a negative finding in any of its annual independent audits.

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Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 4:02 PM
To: Stu Rodman
Subject: RE: Referendum Op Ed

Hi Stu,

The letter is very clear on what I believe the issues to be as well. Just as a side note, by next year the Bluffton schools will be approximately 98% of capacity (counting all available seats compared to expended enrollment). Should the referendum be successful the capacity is lowered to 83% which allows for the continued growth we believe will occur in Bluffton.

Thanks for sharing.

Jeff

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Op ED

Should I Vote for the School Referendum?

Few disagree that the School Board is dysfunctional, that our County is growing rapidly, and that we will need new schools to keep up with growth. So, how should I vote?

The “Argument Against” is that the Board is so dysfunctional that we can’t trust them to spend the money wisely, that they were split 6-5 on even having the Referendum, and that by withholding the funds, either their behavior will change or we will vote them out of office.

The “Argument For” is simply that we shouldn’t penalize the kids; that we need a new school every two (2) years to keep up with growth; that, after a couple of false starts, the \$76 million Referendum is properly sized; and that good things are happening in the District with kids getting educated by very dedicated teachers.

So, what’s on the Ballot on Saturday, April 21st? The Referendum, if passed, will minimize classroom overcrowding by adding one (1) new school and four (4) additions to existing school, two (2) of which are for much needed technical career education.

So, should I vote “For” adding capacity because I agree that capacity is needed to keep up with growth or “Against” because I agree that we need to fix the Board? So, how will I vote?

I will vote “For” because 1) we should not penalize the kids and 2) the proper place to start to fix the School Board is in November when seven (7) of the eleven(11) seats are up for election.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration.

Stu Rodman

County Council

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 30, 2017 10:15 AM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C
Subject: Referendum

Jeff,

I trust you had a Merry Christmas,

I just bcc'd you on an email on Council providing assistance. I will not push it if you think it is counter productive.

In advance of my next discussion with CARE it might be useful if you could provide the capacity increases by school inherent in the referendum. Also, the new Bluffton school will be what grade levels?

I suspect you will lose some votes by having the referendum on a day other than the Primary Election in June. On one hand you would save \$90K, shift to a larger and more GOP electorate, and somewhat marginalize your 6-5 Board split. On the other hand, I don't know the sentiment of the Party and its capability to do dumb things is not limited to the National Party. We do know that referenda passage is typically requires strong support of Sun City and HHI.

Happy New Year,

Stu

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 30, 2017 9:42 AM
To: Keaveny, Thomas; Josh G
Cc: Paul S; Jerry Stewart; Rick C
Subject: School Referendum
Attachments: School District Referendum.docx

Tom and Josh,

It would be in the best interest of the school kids and the County to pass their referendum this spring. Passage remains problematic with various issues including the BoE itself being immature and split 6-5 on the referendum.

I put forward for your counsel the possibility that Council might want to consider weighing in if we were not in violation of the Ethics Act (argument attached).

Let's discuss next week.

Happy New Year and Good Luck to Clemson.

Stu

School District Referendum & County Council

It can be argued that County Council could weigh in on the necessity of expanding school capacity without violating the SC Ethics Act, those arguments being:

- 1. With respect to Fiscal Autonomy; Council, by statute, has final approval of the District's Operating Budget but not its Capital Expenditures, which are delegated to the District under the 8% cap and otherwise to the public through referenda. However, capacity expansions increase operating costs giving Council the right, and possibly the obligation, to verify the need for capacity increases. Conversely, if Council fails to weigh in, it has little standing in the future to reject cost increases resulting from unnecessary capacity increases.**
- 2. By publically taking up the capacity issue without knowing the outcome of its deliberation, Council would be educating itself and informing the public. Council's determination may or may not be favorable to passage of a referendum. Thus, Council would be educating and not advocating for a referendum.**
- 3. By limiting its deliberation, to primarily capacity needs, Council would not be weighing in on other issues (design, cost, location, use, timing of the referendum, other items on the referendum, etc.) and thus educating on a point that might be contentious and not advocating an outcome.**
- 4. While the public should be capable of sorting out most of the facts as presented by the advocates on both sides of a referendum, there may be issues, such as capacity, that require a third party opinion. Council (representing all the County) is in the best (and probably the only) position to educate the public on certain facts that are pertinent (and probably disputed) in a referendum.**
- 5. It is hard to imagine that any group or even the Ethics Commission would find that educating the public on limited and important issues would violate the law or the spirit of the law to have a fully informed electorate in elections.**

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Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2017 12:42 PM
To: Rick C
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Attachments: Utilization Dec.xlsx; Enrollment Analysis Dec.xlsx

Rick,

The District returned the requested enrollments immediately and are incorporated in my analysis (attached).

My conclusions:

1. Overall the District has done a very creditable job of bringing schools on line to match growth.
2. Bluffton is growing at a rate that requires a new school every two years.
3. Hilton Head is at capacity but not an issue as the Island is "built out."
4. Beaufort appears to be shrinking, and certainly not growing. However, it will grow and the District will grow into the schools. Some of the excess capacity is a result of the large geographic area and the fact that it is a series of islands that make it more inefficient to honor having neighbor schools.

Thus, the Referendum request to the taxpayers appears very reasonable.

Next step is to reconvene with CARE.

Happy to meet this week or the first week in January.

Merry Christmas,

Stu

Stu's School District Referenda Thoughts

Referenda are difficult to pass. 2016 will be tough for both the County and the District. I am pessimistic that any large School District Referenda would pass including 1) a traditional Property Tax based one and 2) an Educational Penny Sales Tax initiative with the counter arguments for the latter including:

1. A half billion dollars entrusted to this Board of Education?
2. There is no way to guarantee that 8% property taxes will be offset.

The Educational penny is very creative, has the best interests of the citizens at heart, and is one that would be very beneficial to my district. Attached is my back of the envelop worksheet which is a very rough estimate, but perhaps directionally accurate. It is a hard sell to the voters as it:

1. Shifts taxes from 2nd home owners to the visitors, but neither vote.
2. Is regressive.
3. Increases taxes for residents who are the voters.

Better options may be:

1. A small referendum similar to 2006 for primarily 2 Bluffton schools.
2. Having one Bluffton schools included in a County Referendum.

In either case the District is well served to first use 8% capacity (which will increase with County growth and reassessment) thus minimizing the "ask." Given the current controversy, the County may not be receptive to a combined referendum. However it can be argued that passage is problematic if it is:

1. Included because some view the District situation as toxic.
2. Excluded because separate referenda on the same ballot both fail.

An approach might be to:

1. Determine the needs whether included or excluded, which are different.
2. Keep the options open as it is unclear where the County is going:
 - Gary surprisingly stated that a County CIP Referendum is unnecessary.
 - While a LOST would fail at the ballot box, it was only one vote shy of getting on the ballot last time. It would not fund new schools.
3. Propose a small referendum positioning the District to either:
 - Proceed in the spring when timing is more favorable for passage.
 - Roll it into a fall CIP if there is one and if asked.

BCSD Enrolllment

12/20/17

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Hi Stu,

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Broad River	PK-5	589	506	86%	474	Red Cedar	PK- 5	764	692	91%	672
Mossy Oaks	PK-5	493	397	81%	417	McRiley	PK- 5	929	702	76%	778
Whale Branch	1-5	544	411	76%	356	River Ridge	PK- 5	1,013	652	64%	789
Shanklin	PK-5	578	432	75%	381	Bluffton	PK- 5	946	598	63%	661
Port Royal	PK-5	306	214	70%	200	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Lady's Island	PK-5	485	333	69%	332	PK-5 Total	6	5,124	4,056	79%	4339
Beaufort	PK-5	867	517	60%	483	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
St H	PK-5	819	436	53%	406	Bluffton	6-8	1,035	921		764
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PK-5 Total	10	5,337	3,891	73%	3740	River Ridge	6-8		280		397
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Robert Smalls	6-8	1,087	728	67%	714	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Lady's Island	6-8	1,088	544	50%	546	Bluffton	9-12	1,434	1,395		1169
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9-12 Total	3	3,711	2,779	75%	2623	Hilton Head	PK- 5	2,423	2,191	90%	2047
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<u>Bluffton</u>						
PK-5 Total	6	4,803	3,701	4,339	617	77%
6-8 Total	2.5	2,265	2,119	1,904	848	94%
9-12 Total	2.5	2,868	1,959	2,383	783	68%
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PK- 5	3	2,423	2,191	2,084	730	90%
9-12 Total	1	1,007	988	1,005	988	98%
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45	20,418	19,349	19,786	19,870	20,148	20,568	20,754	21,381	21,620		
90	20,302	19,349	19,580	19,689	20,021	20,437	20,762	21,320			
135	20,249	19,067	19,525	19,626	19,953	20,399	20,704	21,285			
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Ave	20,323	19,255	19,630	19,728	20,041	20,468	20,740	21,329	7,207	0	
<u>Increase</u>											
45	339		437	84	278	420	186	627	239		
90	329		231	109	332	416	325	558			
135	370		458	101	327	446	305	581			
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	346		375	98	312	427	272	589			
45	1.7%		2.3%	0.4%	1.4%	2.1%	0.9%	3.0%	1.1%		
90	1.6%		1.2%	0.6%	1.7%	2.1%	1.6%	2.7%			
135	1.9%		2.4%	0.5%	1.7%	2.2%	1.5%	2.8%			
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Subject: Re: Swinging with the Superintendent

These are slanderous statements toward me and other staff members. It is obvious you are not interested in the facts and further conversation would be fruitless.

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I find your answers to be evasive and misleading. Now you want me to believe that **PUPIL ACTIVITY/STUDENT & SCHOOL GENERATE FUNDS** are not student funds. Just more double talk. Probably what has happened is that one of your bookkeepers found some accounts with money in them and decided to use them. "The rules change often change midstream," to quote one of your bookkeepers.

Each administrator and district employee or board member should have paid their own way if they wanted to "Swing with the Superintendent."

And the fact that you see no conflict of interest with vendors sponsoring your event is laughable. It's called "pay to play" and is highly questionable, giving the impression of being unethical.

fran bisi

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Well, we already know that 2 of the charges from elementary schools weren't for students, so we have to assume the same for the other charges. Why are Student Funds being used to pay for staff entry fees?

If you don't know who was on their teams, who does know?

fran bisi

On Wednesday, October 4, 2017 4:21 PM, "Moss, Jeffrey C" <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us> wrote:

Are all of the tournament registrations that I listed (items 5 - 9) that are shown be charged to Pupil Activity Funds fees for Staff participation not student participation?

These are charged to the School Activity Fund. I do not know who participated on their teams so I cannot answer this question.

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I don't find an answer to:

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On Wednesday, October 4, 2017 2:31 PM, "Moss, Jeffrey C" <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us> wrote:

[Thank you for your responses in bold.](#)

Are all of the registrations charged to Pupil Activity Funds fees for staff not students?

Here are questions that you did not answer:

I also found that the main sponsors for the past 4 years were all vendors of the District. They include, Sodexo 2017, Thompson Turner 2016, and Durham School Services 2014. Other smaller sponsors include McNair law, GCS services, Compass Municipal Advisors, and Hite Assoc. All are also vendors of the BCSD.

Sodexo was paid a total of **\$8,065,058** by the District in FY 2017...**conflict of interest? I am not aware of a conflict of interest for an individual or company to contribute to a Foundation associated with an institute of higher learning.**

Did the BCSD staff who participated in the tournament do so on school time? The tournament is held in July each year. This is not a school day for those who are less than a 260 day employee.

I have also not received an answer to the question I posed on that same day:

Does the BCSD ever pay TCL or USCB for students to take remedial, non-credit courses? We follow the SC Regulations for Dual Credit Courses and a description is included in our registration handbook which can be found on page 14

at: http://beaufortschools.net/UserFiles/Servers/Server_170841/File/ISD/High%20School%20Course%20Catalog%202017-2018_6-29-17.pdf

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The responses are in red in my sent file, but just in case your computer changed the color in the responses to make them unreadable, I have changed them to regular font and bold below. No, elementary students did not participate in the event.

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When I inquired about the golf tournament, "Swinging with the Superintendent, on Sept. 29th you stated that:

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Could you now provide more details concerning the District's participation in the "Swinging with the Superintendent" tournament?

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- 4.)TXN00191993 5/22/2017 CALLAWASSIE ISLAND CLUB 84426401-539900 **\$2,541.80** **Support Staff of the Year Recognition Breakfast**
- 5.)TXN00192770 6/1/17 PAYPAL TECHNICAL CO SWINGING WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT GOLF TOURNAMENT P-CARD PUPIL ACTIVITY/STUDENT & SCHOOL GENERATE FUNDS BLUFFTON HS **\$500** **Swinging with the Superintendent Scholarship Registration for Bluffton High School**
- 6.)TXN00193073 6/7/17 BHS GOLF TEAM ENTRY FEE-(P CARD) PAYPAL TECHNICALCO PUPIL ACTIVITY/STUDENT & SCHOOL GENERATE FUNDS BEAUFORT HS **\$500** **Swinging with the Superintendent Scholarship Registration for Beaufort High School**
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- 8.)TXN00194176 6/22/17 PAYPAL TECHNICAL CO GOLF TOURNAMENT P-CARD PUPIL ACTIVITY/STUDENT GENERATE FUNDS BATTERY CREEK HIGH SCHOOL **\$500** **Swinging with the Superintendent Scholarship Registration for Battery Creek High School**
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I also found that the main sponsors for the past 4 years were all vendors of the District. They include, Sodexo 2017, Thompson Turner 2016, and Durham School Services 2014. Other smaller sponsors include McNair law, GCS services, Compass Municipal Advisors, and Hite Assoc. All are also vendors of the BCSD. Sodexo was paid a total of \$8,065,058 by the District in FY 2017...conflict of interest?

Did the BCSD staff who participated in the tournament do so on school time?

I have also not received an answer to the question I posed on that same day:

Does the BCSD ever pay TCL or USCB for students to take remedial, non-credit courses?

fran bisi

From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 4:30 PM
To: Stu Rodman
Subject: RE: Christian Academy

Hi Stu,

We have had a few conversations with HHI Christian. The current asking price is a little more than we thought and after touring the facilities and estimating the renovation cost, it would cost about the same as additions on our current campuses. We have not closed it out completely yet because there is value in moving some students off the current complex from a transportation perspective.

Glad to meet anytime.

Jeff

Jeffrey C. Moss, Ed.D.

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From: Stu Rodman [mailto:sturodman@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 13, 2017 1:50 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Subject: Christian Academy

Jeff,

I trust that you have had a great summer.

As you are probably aware the Academy complex is on the market as it is relocating to Bluffton. The marketing package is attached.

It highest and best use is probably education and you may have it on your radar. Given its relative proximity to the HHI School Complex it may be an useful acquisition for the District.

I am starting to think through possible uses of the Academy that might house two or three education oriented entities as it has 72,000 square feet. I recognize that there may be limitations on co-locating District activities with other entities.

As I remember, there was a HHI expansion on the '16 Sales Tax Referendum. If there is an overview of your HHI requirements that you can share with me it would be helpful. Perhaps there might be some synergy if you don't have an interest in the entire complex.

After my thought process progresses a little further let's get together and discuss possibilities.

Thank you for sharing your current needs on HHI.

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FOR SALE: Private School Campus

Hilton Head Christian Academy

55 Gardner Drive, Hilton Head Island, SC 29926



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55 Gardner Drive, Hilton Head Island, SC 29926

Executive Summary



PROPERTY SUMMARY

Sale Price:	\$10,000,000	This is a rare and unique opportunity on Hilton Head Island. Hilton Head Christian Academy (HHCA) is located on the north-end and is comprised of 13-plus acres consisting of multiple buildings and ball fields.
Lot Size:	13.83 Acres	As part of the Indigo Run PUD, this location is within close proximity to both Port Royal and Hilton Head Plantation, Main Street offices / retail, Wal-Mart, Publix, Harris Teeter, the Hilton Head public school system as well as a variety of shopping including the new Sea Turtle Market Place (the redevelopment of Pineland Station), and the majority of the island's medical community including Hilton Head Hospital.
Year Built	See Floor Plans	
Total Conditioned Space:	72,391 SF	Please contact Baker Wilkins at NAI Carolina Charter for further information, (843) 247-2470.
Hilton Head Zoning:	Indigo Run - PUD	

Purchaser will be responsible for any fees or commission to Buyers agent. Seller will pay NAI Carolina Charter based on a separate agreement.

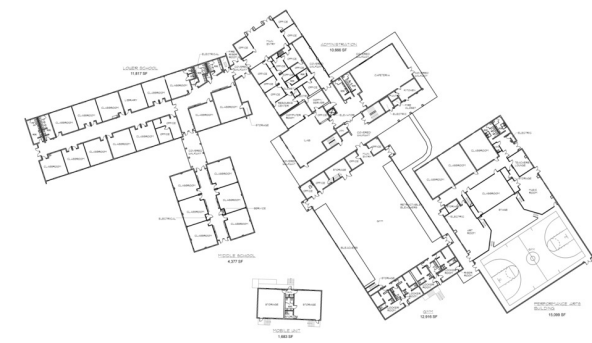
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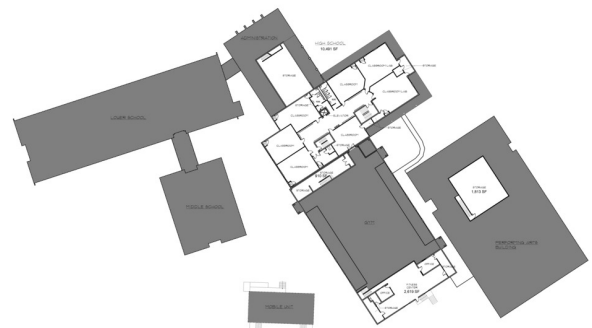
FIRST FLOOR:

MOBILE STORAGE	1,683 SF
MIDDLE SCHOOL	4,377 SF
LOWER SCHOOL	11,817 SF
ADMINISTRATION	10,666 SF
GYM	12,916 SF
PERFORMANCE ARTS BLDG	15,099 SF
TOTAL CONDITIONED - 1ST	56,558 SF
**OPEN-AIR WALKWAYS:	7,810 SF



SECOND FLOOR:

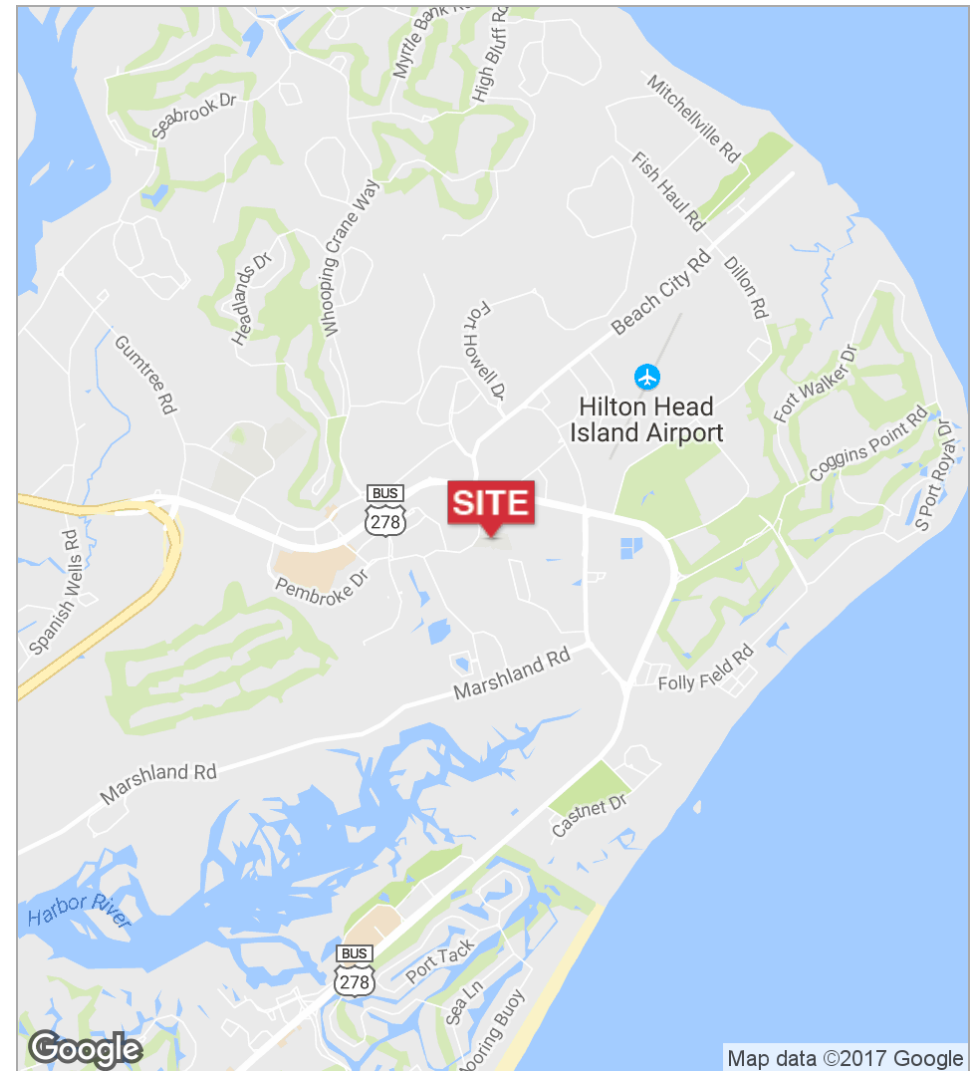
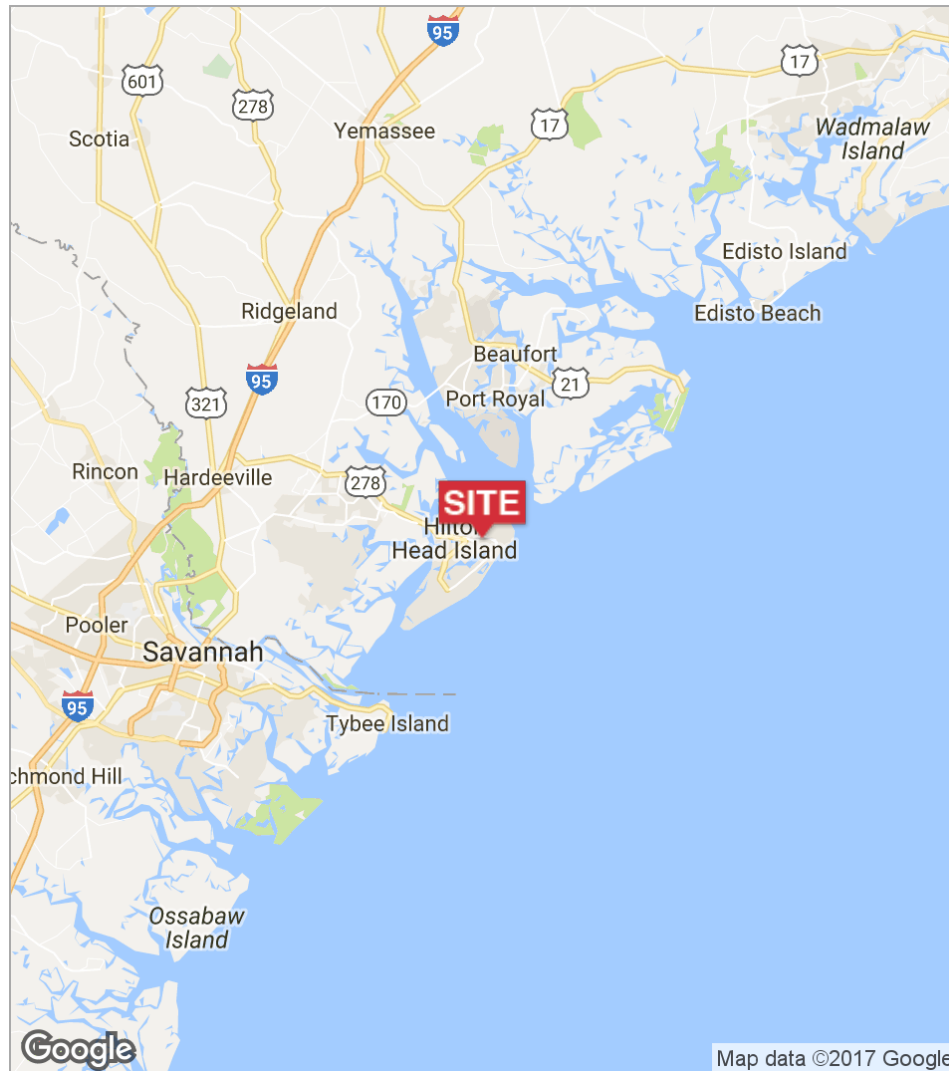
ADMINISTRATION	10,491 SF
GYM (STORAGE ABOVE)	910 SF
PERF. ARTS BG (STG ABOVE)	1,813 SF
FITNESS CENTER	2,619 SF
TOTAL CONDITIONED - 2ND	15,833 SF



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Locator Maps



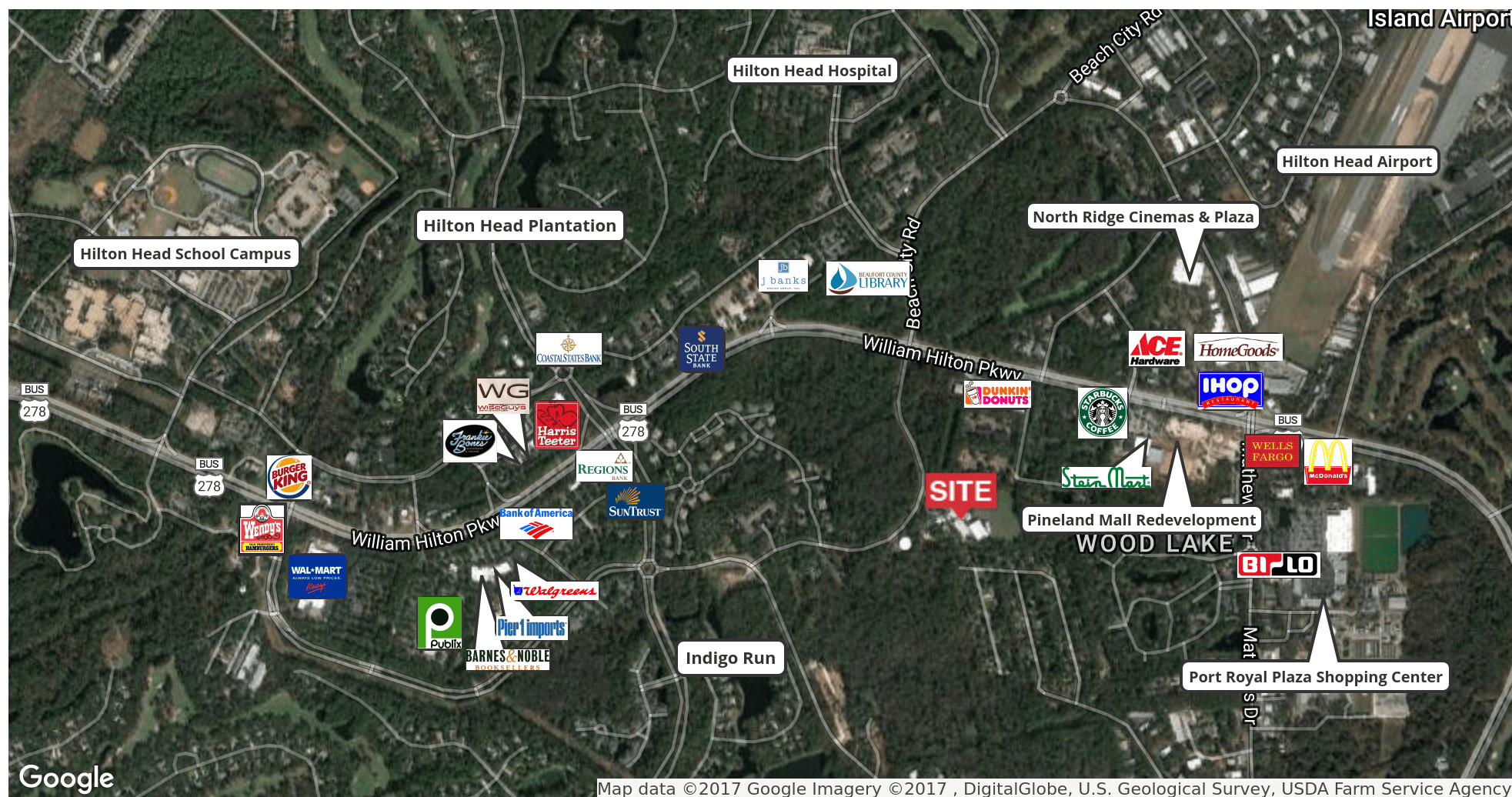
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Retailer Map



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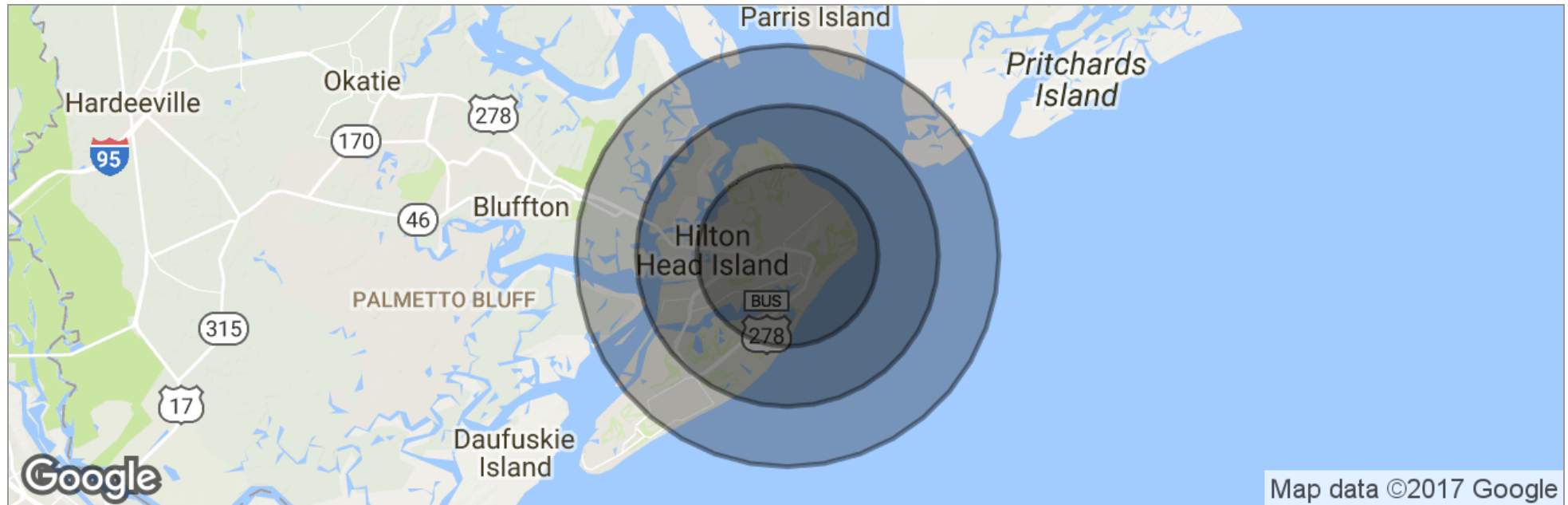
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Hilton Head Christian Academy

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Demographics Map



	3 Miles	5 Miles	7 Miles
Total Population	15,166	28,429	38,663
Population Density	536	362	251
Median Age	47.9	49.4	49.2
Median Age (Male)	47.5	49.0	48.5
Median Age (Female)	48.2	49.7	49.6
Total Households	6,430	12,542	17,317
# of Persons Per HH	2.4	2.3	2.2
Average HH Income	\$93,278	\$100,489	\$98,413
Average House Value	\$556,942	\$557,047	\$543,259

* Demographic data derived from 2010 US Census

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1 CAMPUS SITE PLAN
SCALE 1:500'

HILTON HEAD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
55 GARDNER DRIVE
HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SC 29926

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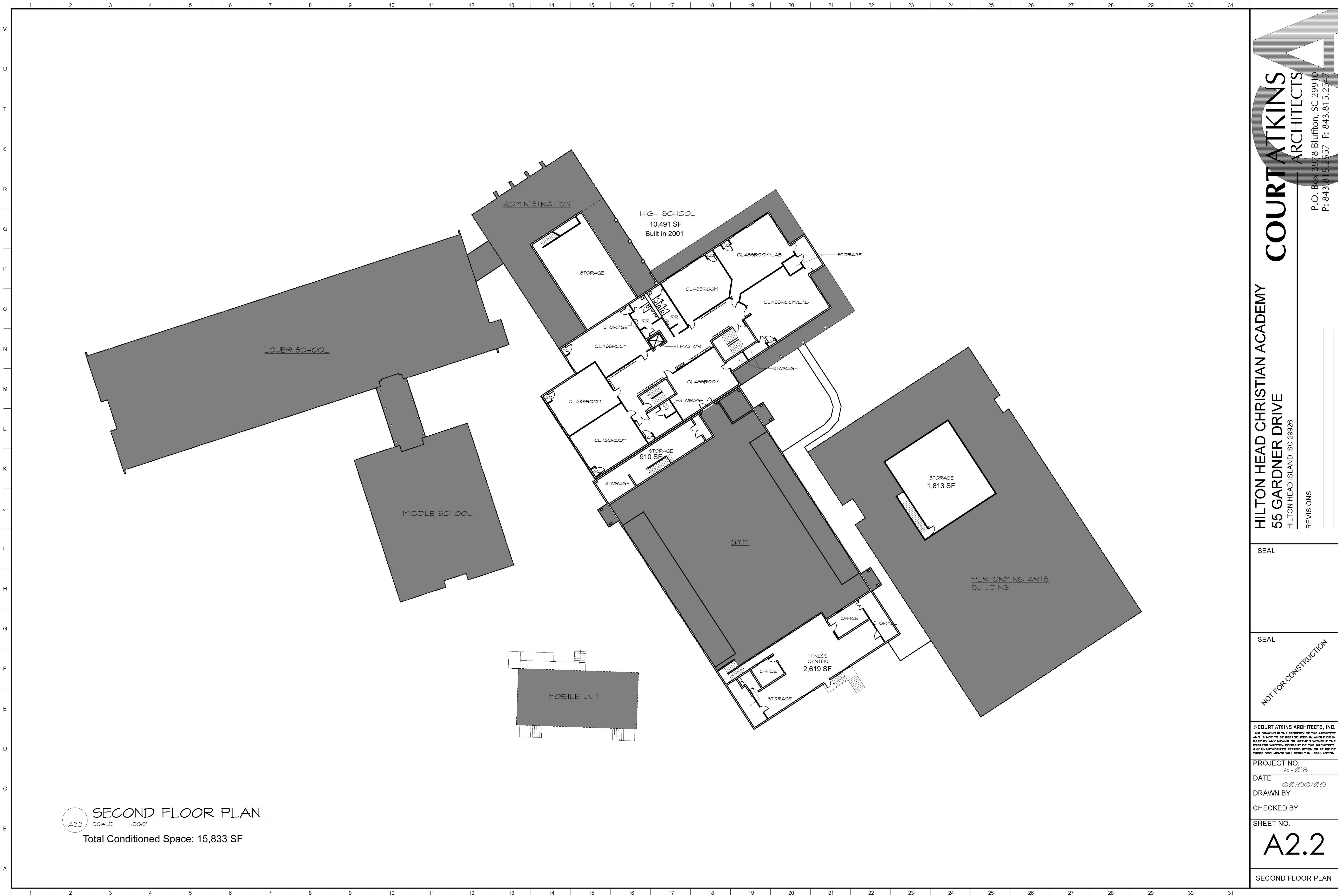
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SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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Property ID (PIN)	Alternate ID (AIN)	Parcel Address	Data refreshed as of	Assess Year	Pay Year
R510 008 000 098A 0000	00358570	55 GARDNER DR, Hilton Head Island	6/13/2017	2017	2017

Current Parcel Information

Owner	HILTON HEAD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY	Property Class Code	Educational Imp
Owner Address	55 GARDNER DR HILTON HEAD ISLAND SC 29926	Acreage	13.8300
Legal Description	PAR A SEC HONEY HORN PLANT PB20 P204 #BKN605 *TOT AC INCL 3.33 AC WETLANDS 7/81 SPLIT 3.70 AC 8/233 LEASED TO HH PSD#1 SEWERAGE SPRAY FIELD PB115 P192 7/08 4.57 AC ADDED FROM 8/573 7/08 ACREAGE UPDATED *4/10 0.19 AC ADDED FROM 8A/101B PB128 P79 *4/10 LOT LINE REV 3.33 AC WETLAND ADDED TO 8/573 PB128 P102		

Historic Information

Tax Year	Land	Building	Market	Taxes	Payment
2016	\$4,252,700	\$5,878,600	\$10,131,300	\$4,125.68	\$4,125.68
2015	\$4,252,700	\$5,878,600	\$10,131,300	\$4,103.05	\$4,103.05
2014	\$4,252,700	\$5,878,600	\$10,131,300	\$3,907.71	\$3,907.71
2013	\$4,252,700	\$2,628,300	\$6,881,000	\$3,466.02	\$3,466.02
2012	\$5,822,665	\$2,710,691	\$8,533,356	\$3,466.02	\$3,466.02
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2009	\$5,822,665	\$2,710,691	\$8,533,356	\$2,653.88	\$2,945.38
2008	\$1,911,300	\$2,039,700	\$3,951,000	\$1,618.54	\$1,936.32
2007	\$1,160,000	\$2,039,700	\$3,199,700	\$1,618.54	\$1,986.32

Sales Disclosure

Grantor	Book & Page	Date	Deed	Vacant	Sale Price
HILTON HEAD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY	2857 956	6/12/2009	Li		\$50,000
MOORE LEROY	521 2073	1/1/1989	Fu		\$200,000

MOORE LEROY	348 1158	6/1/1982	Fu	\$101,666
H I S A LMTD PARTNERSHIP	348 1154	6/1/1982	Fu	\$0
H I S A LMTD PARTNERSHIP	211 896	7/1/1973	Fu	\$0
		12/31/1776	Or	\$0

Improvements							Improvement Size
Building	Type	Use Code Description	Constructed Year	Stories	Rooms	Square Footage	
C01	CLASSC	Classrooms - College	1990	0	0	16,424	
C02	GYMC	Gymnasium - College	1989	0	0	12,496	
C03	GYMC	Gymnasium - College	2013	0	0	15,360	
C01	ICP	Integral Carport	1990	0	0		1,140

Features & Exterior Features					No. / Sq.Ft.	Value
Building	Type	Feature Code	Description			

HHCA



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From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:30 PM
To: Giles Hall
Cc: John Dowling; fran bisi; Kinton, Geraldine C; Orischak, Josephine A; Striebinger, David R; Gwozdz, Christina S; Gregory, Cynthia W; Campbell, Earl; Dunkle, Joseph R; Cordray, Mary M; Payne, Wilbur M; Sled Paul Grant Sled Paul Grant; Windrunnerstables Info; Kelly Meyerhofer; CC Hoagland; Staff; Alden Bauer; Attorney General Alan Wilson Attorney General Allan Wilson; Steven Hamm; Mark Sanford; Tom Davis; Crosby, Tonya V; Jeff Bradley; Weston Newton; Sled Paul Grant Sled Paul Grant; Ami Franklin; Stern Allan; Don Brashears; Marilyn Bullard; Joan Deery; Liz Farrell; Cnrgbr; Jerry Stewart; Covert Michael; rick caporale; s. rodman; s. fobes; g. dawson; brian flewelling; John Crangle; Jim Bequette; Jiaco; Tim Scott; Phillip Branton; Thenerve . org Rick; Richard Gregory; REBECCA BASS; Cushingberry, Robyn L; Auditor; Lisa Gibson; Jimmy Bagnall; Staton, Jennifer A; Taylor Smith; Michael Burchstead; michaelrivers@schouse.gov; Deann Komaneky; David Williams; shannonerickson@schouse.org
Subject: RE: Beaufort County School District P-card information

I do not understand your question to me; "Does our Superintendent honestly believe voters will accept local businesses "carried 69K in debt" for the convenience of the school district?" Business have not carried debt, they were paid for their service from the appropriate funding source. If you will help me understand what you are asking, I will be happy to respond.

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 10:09 AM
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Subject: Re: Beaufort County School District P-card information

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On Thu, Jul 20, 2017 at 9:49 AM, jerry at the beach <gringoviejotwo@yahoo.com> wrote:

Thank you Mr. Dowling, and well said.

G.A. Smith

Well represented in Dist. 11

On Thursday, July 20, 2017 9:10 AM, John Dowling <dowlingjohn287@gmail.com> wrote:

There is no reason that a Board Member should even have to resort to using a FOIA request to get information..... if a Member needs information, they should be able to ask and then receive, without the hassle of a formal FOIA request. They are the Governing Body of the District.

On Thu, Jul 20, 2017 at 8:59 AM, jerry at the beach <gringoviejotwo@yahoo.com> wrote:

Regarding; *"My FOIA requests would not be necessary if the full documentation of charges was provided in the first place."*

Were our representatives elected for the very **purpose of school district oversight** doing their job...you are correct, your requests would not be necessary...but alas we are currently encumbered by representatives from Districts 1,3,5,7,8 & 10.

I would like to add, any FOIA requests generated by an elected school board representative should not come with a bill from the school district they were elected to oversee.

G.A. Smith
Well represented in Dist. 11

On Thursday, July 20, 2017 8:36 AM, fran bisi <eyelandart@yahoo.com> wrote:

To those of you who received Jim Foster's email and all other interested persons, I would like to inform you of the following. Foster was quite upset with the TV coverage that the Bank of America credit card received on Tuesday night and felt it necessary to attach the new condensed version of the **Procurement Card Program Policies and Procedures Manual Including Travel**.

I am attaching the full version since some important information has been left out of the one he sent you. For instance, on page 20 you'll see a copy of the agreement that each of the 51 cardholders was required to sign. It sets the dollar limit per month at \$20,000.00. That's where we find the first violation that is committed month after month. Simple math will give you a total monthly limit of \$1,020,000.00. There has not been a month this Fiscal Year where the total B of A credit was at or under this amount. The largest violation occurred in February of 2017 when the total reached \$4,934,357.68.

He also doesn't tell you that the State of S.C. P-Card code prohibits lodging to be charged to the credit card. There's a reason for this. The public must stay informed as to the reason for lodging and what employee made the charge. The Beaufort County School District does not follow the State's recommendation and charges hotel bills to the card, incurring huge expenses month after month. Why does the District not follow this simple State recommendation?

The Superintendent now states in his second YouTube appearance that the \$69,000.00 in food and restaurant purchases for May 2017 were for end of the year celebrations. Yet the document Foster sent you states **Food purchases should be for professional development or Title One parenting**.

Moss also states that anyone with a question about any charge should feel free to ask. This is a far cry from his previous responses to me where he accused me of defamation. But now I look forward to having two FOIA requests answered promptly. There should not be a charge since the District is now admitting their shortcomings in the Transparency Reports. My FOIA requests would not be necessary if the full documentation of charges was provided in the first place. They include who made the purchase, what goods or services were ordered, and who received and signed for the goods.

Other information that I previously asked for and was quoted a price on should also now be provided at no cost. They include:

5/23/2016 MISS JETSET LLC. 10026401-541000 \$500.00 (claimed to be fraudulent but no paperwork provided)

TXN00186615 3/17/2017 SKINIT COM 20211254-541000 \$2,025.00 personalized phone laptop covers

TXN00171263 9/1/2016 PAYPAL DICEHEAD 70903260-566000 \$119.96

TXN00176033 11/2/2016 SQ GOSQ.COM CHRISTOPHER 70963805-566000 \$876.89

TXN00171979 9/12/2016 SQ GOSQ.COM CHRISTOPHER 70963805-566000 \$1,371.89

TXN00172675 9/16/2016 SQ GOSQ.COM CHRISTOPHER 70963480-566000 \$3,033.1

TXN00184839 2/24/2017 PAYPAL RAMJAANE198 10025401-534000 \$131.89

October 24, 2016 BANK OF AMERICA P-CARD PAYMENTS 2,136,539.28 ASSOCIATED FUNDS*

October 25, 2016 BANK OF AMERICA P-CARD PAYMENTS 2,136,539.28 ASSOCIATED FUNDS*

*If an incorrect debit is shown in the amount of over \$2M, an auditor and the public must be shown a credit for one of these double payments.

They state that the new Transparency Reports will now contain purchases under \$100. They should also include any credits received. That would eliminate asking for a FOIA when the District claims that certain charges are fraudulent.

There has been enough rhetoric, now we need documentation of these explanations.

fran

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"You have enemies? Good! It means you've stood up for something, sometime in your life" ---- Winston Churchill

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 16, 2017 7:50 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C
Subject: Culinary Institute

Jeff,

I have lost track of where the BoE is with TCL's request for assistance with the Culinary Institute.

I believe there are two strong arguments you can use with the BoE:

1. As we discussed in the meeting at USCB, it may be the "sweet spot" at the intersection of:
 - A. Diminishing jobs for unskilled youth
 - B. A career path for them
 - C. Our workforce needs
 - D. Our educational institutions in the County
2. MICPs are a form of a TIF. They work and, if the District participates at less than 100%, it benefits in both the near term and long term as the associated economic growth (and taxes) materializes.

I recognize your concern that it might give an argument to those that might oppose a referendum. However, I see that as a shallow argument that is unlikely to happen and, even if it did, the second point above is a very strong counter argument that Council would support.

It would be great if you could recommend participating, at say 50% and if necessary get the District to come in at 25%.

As you may remember, TCL is up against a tight schedule as they are looking for approval in the next couple of weeks to take advantage of the contractors that are on site at Buckwalter.

It is a win-win for the District in that it will create revenue for the District and, more importantly, careers for students, some of whom don't have a bright future.

Cheers,

Stu

From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 3:46 PM
To: Crosby, Tonya V; fran bisi; Moss, Jeffrey C
Cc: Kinton, Geraldine C; Orischak, Josephine A; Striebinger, David R; Gwozdz, Christina S; Gregory, Cynthia W; Campbell, Earl; Dunkle, Joseph R; Cordray, Mary M; Payne, Wilbur M; Crosby, Tonya V; Staton, Jennifer A; Cc: Kelly Meyerhofer; Tom Davis; Thenerve . org Rick; Tim Scott; Taylor Smith; Jerry at the Beach; Jerry Stewart; Covert Michael; rick caporale; s. rodman; s. fobes; g. dawson; brian flewelling; skiphoagland@yahoo.co; John Dowling; Windrunnerstables Info; Liz Farrell; contact@beaufortwatchdog.org; Sled Paul Grant Sled Paul Grant; Mark Sanford; Steven Hamm; Don Brashears; David Lauderdale; Attorney General Alan Wilson Attorney General Allan Wilson; Ami Franklin; Alden Bauer; Auditor; Jimmy Bagnall; Jim Bequette; Michael Burchstead; Marilyn Bullard; Jeff Bradley; John Crangle; Richard Gregory; Giles Hall; Jiaco
Subject: RE: Transparency

Mrs. Bisi:

Although mentioned but not copied in your email I will respond to your questions below.

1. **Where is the proof that the double payment of over \$2,000,000 was not made? As I stated in previous emails, there were not 2 payments. Only one payment was made, therefore, I cannot show you proof of something that did not occur.**
2. **Where is the credit for Victoria's Secret? I have also stated the credits do not show up on the transparency report as they are not positive charges, they are viewed as negative charges due to reducing the amount.**
3. **I would not know if SQ Alive Entertainment LLC is a Gentlemen's Club in Myrtle Beach, our filters do not allow that type of search as your computer does. I do know that SQ Alive Entertainment LLC that we purchased equipment from is based in New York, NY. We purchased Green Screens for the Television Production Class at Whale Branch Early College High School.**
4. **MISS JETSET LLC was a fraudulent claim which was disputed and reimbursed.**
5. **PayPal FFMODELS is not a teen porn website, this is a vendor that we used to purchase Freedom Flight Models for a helicopter kit used by students participating in the Science Olympiad. These are purchased with Student Activity Funds to prepare for STEM competition state-wide.**
6. **CASH OFFLINE is the payment method used by Fayetteville State University to pay the registration fee for their Teacher Recruitment Fair. We recruit at many colleges and universities across the United States and have to pay a registration fee at each location.**

The Wellness Connection and Chantel Tai are both charges associated with River Ridge Academy made by the Principal. These were charges used for the individuals working in the After School Program as a form of Appreciation. Although they are not illegal, they were flagged by the Finance Department as not aligned with our P-Card Policies. This has been handled through our administrative policies and protected under the Personnel Policies associated with the Beaufort County School District and the State of South Carolina.

Ms. Staton has responded previously to most, if not all, of these questions or requests for information. She has either quoted you fees in accordance with FOIA or responded to your requests for information even when you do not request public records. To state she "previously denied" your request is both inaccurate and misleading.

Again, it is unfair to jump to conclusions which are usually inaccurate and misleading without knowing the details. The websites you reviewed probably displayed different types of business for each title, but you chose to use the one you felt provided you some sense of enjoyment. Again, I request prior to jumping to these types of conclusions you investigate for factual information.

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From: Crosby, Tonya V
Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 11:01 AM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Subject: FW: Transparency

From: fran bisi [<mailto:eyelandart@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 10:32 AM
To: Kinton, Geraldine C <Geraldine.Kinton@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Orischak, Josephine A <Josephine.Orischak@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Striebinger, David R <David.Striebinger@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Gwozdz, Christina S <Christina.Gwozdz@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Gregory, Cynthia W <Cynthia.Gregory@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Campbell, Earl <earl.campbell@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Dunkle, Joseph R <Joseph.Dunkle@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Cordray, Mary M <Mary.Cordray@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Payne, Wilbur M <Wilbur.Payne@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Crosby, Tonya V <Tonya.Crosby@beaufort.k12.sc.us>; Staton, Jennifer A <Jennifer.Staton@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Cc: Kelly Meyerhofer <kmeyerhofer@islandpacket.com>; Tom Davis <tom@senatortomdavis.com>; Thenerve.org Rick <rbrundrett@islandpacket.com>; Tim Scott <joe_mckeown@scott.senate.gov>; Taylor Smith <taylor@harrisonfirm.com>; Jerry at the Beach <gringoviejotwo@yahoo.com>; Jerry Stewart <jstewart@bcgov.net>; Covert Michael <mcovert@bcgov.net>; rick caporale <rcaporale@bcgov.net>; s. rodman <srodman@bcgov.net>; s. fobes <sfobes@bcgov.net>; g. dawson <gdawson@bcgov.net>; brian flewelling <brianf@bcgov.net>; skiphoagland@yahoo.co <skiphoagland@yahoo.co>; John Dowling <dowlingjohn287@gmail.com>; Windrunnerstables Info <info@windrunnerstables.com>; Liz Farrell <efarrell@islandpacket.com>; contact@beaufortwatchdog.org; Sled Paul Grant Sled Paul Grant <mkeel@sled.sc.gov>; Mark Sanford <marksanford99@gmail.com>; Steven Hamm <shamm@ethics.sc.gov>; Don Brashears <tmbdab@aol.com>; David Lauderdale <dlauderdale@islandpacket.com>; Attorney General Alan Wilson Attorney General Allan Wilson <awilson@scag.gov>; Ami Franklin <ami@ethics.sc.gov>; Alden Bauer <aldenbauer706@gmail.com>; Auditor <auditor@bcgov.net>; Jimmy Bagnall <jbagnall@ethics.sc.gov>; Jim Bequette <jwbterp@aol.com>; Michael Burchstead <mburchstead@ethics.sc.gov>; Marilyn Bullard <bullardpiwko@aol.com>; Jeff Bradley <jeffbradley@schoose.gov>; John Crangle <johncrangle2@gmail.com>; Richard Gregory <rgregory@sled.sc.gov>; Giles Hall <usn1066@gmail.com>; Jiaco <jiaco@bellsouth.net>
Subject: Transparency

The May Transparency Report for the BCSD has answered one of my FOIA requests which was previously denied. They have made a notation beside the PayPal entry for **PAYPAL AMYHAWK27**. We now know that this is **"Amy Pinckney- Speech & Language Servs"**. Why was my FOIA request for this information denied?

It seems that the Finance and FOIA Departments are confused as to what should or should not be made public.

The total paid through the District's Bank of America card through PayPal to Amy Hawkins Pinckney for FY 2017 is **\$59,305.00**. This must be the preferred way for the provider to be paid and I am in no way questioning her integrity. But this is not the best way for the District to pay if their goal is transparency. Take a look at the Greenville School District Transparency Reports. None of their consultants or professionals are paid through a credit card using PayPal and all of them are specifically named showing what fund was used to pay them. That is true transparency.

And, on the subject of what fund was used, what is the source of payment for the B of A credit card each month?* (see no. 1) I am still waiting to find that out. J. Moss obliterated that information with the click of his delete button one day. How is the credit card paid every month? What fund is used? Is it with 2018 8% funds as originally shown? Why won't the District answer this simple question?

The latest report also makes an attempt to clarify certain other PayPal charges with added notations** like this:

TXN00190447 5/4/2017 SQ THE WELLNESS CO 70795300-566000 \$330.40 The Wellness Connection**

That was a fairly obvious one, but why pick and choose which entries to clarify. For instance, the entry directly preceding the Wellness Connection is:

TXN00190465 5/4/2017 SQ CHANTEL TAI 70795300-566000 \$322.00

There is no notation next to it, but after researching the entry, I found that it is for a massage provider in Bluffton. Did someone think this would look inappropriate? If the Finance Dept. is going to start to make notations next to charges that were done through PayPal, Square or WPY (WePay), they should do it for each one or, just stop using those methods of payment entirely.

There are other FOIA requests that still need to be answered. Here are just a few. In the cases that the District has refused to divulge the nature of these charges I researched them. If I am incorrect, then the District can correct me and let the public know what in fact they are:

- 1.) Where is the proof that the double payment of over \$2,000,000 was not made?

October 24, 2016 BANK OF AMERICA P-CARD PAYMENTS \$2,136,539.28 ASSOCIATED FUNDS*

October 25, 2016 BANK OF AMERICA P-CARD PAYMENTS \$2,136,539.28 ASSOCIATED FUNDS*

J. Staton would only state that the double payment was not made and that it showed up because there was confusion during the hurricane which we all know occurred at the beginning of the month. Not a good excuse since by October 25th the evacuation was over. We need to know where this shows up as a credit since it still remains on the books as a double payment. Where is the \$2M+?

- 2.) Where is the credit for Victoria's Secret?

9/22/2015 VICTORIA'S SECRET 0153 10025401-541000 \$527.09

9/22/2015 VICTORIA'S SECRET 0153 10025401-541000 \$552.53

In this case Staton claims it was fraud and a credit was issued. Where is the proof? And, what was the nature of the fraud? Did someone hack one of the 51 credit cards or did an employee try to use the card inappropriately? If that was the case, what kind action was taken?

- 3.) 5/30/2016 SQ ALIVE ENTERTAINMENT L 10011494-541000-91920 \$632.27
5/30/2016 SQ ALIVE ENTERTAINMENT L 10011494-541000-93000 \$304.67
5/30/2016 SQ ALIVE ENTERTAINMENT L 10011494-541000-93230 \$196.30
5/30/2016 SQ ALIVE ENTERTAINMENT L 10011494-541000-97000 \$274.50
5/30/2016 SQ ALIVE ENTERTAINMENT L 10011494-541000-91001 \$891.98

Total: \$ 2,299.72

Gentlemen's club in Myrtle Beach

- 4.) 5/23/2016 MISS JETSET LLC. 10026401-541000 \$500.00
Jet Set Magazine model search
5.) 1/19/2017 PAYPAL FFMODELS 70971600-566000 \$111.00
Teen porn website
6.) 10/27/2016 CASH OFFLINE 10026401-533203 \$275.00

"Offline digital cash lets consumers complete a transaction without involving a bank directly. Offline anonymous digital cash is therefore the most complicated type of digital cash as it may be very easy to copy, and then spend both the original and the copy. Real digital cash systems must prevent this duplication, otherwise we could all get rich quickly!!"

This charge is very troubling since it indicates that the proper checks and balances are not in place in the District. How could one of the card holders have gotten cash from the Bank of America credit card?

It doesn't appear that the "Basic Requirements" of the District's Policy and Procedures are being followed. Until the District clarifies what is going on with these 6 items, and until they can prove that all of the requirements for use of the P-Card are being met, it is up to the Board to take action.

fran bisi

From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 7:11 PM
To: psommerville@bcgov.net; jstewart@bcgov.net; Gary Kubic
Cc: yglover@bcgov.net; srodman@bcgov.net; ahoward@bcgov.net; Tabor Vaux; bflewelling@bcgov.net; mcovert@bcgov.net; Steve Fobes; gdawson@bcgov.net; Rick Caporale; aholland@bcgov.net
Subject: School Budget

Members of our County Council:

Thank you for your continued support of our budget. It is with your support we are able to recruit and retain quality educators who dedicate their lives to providing our community a quality education. All of us play a part in preparing the next generation of leaders within our community, state, and nation.

Thank you for being our partner in this task, we would not be successful without you.

Sincerely,

Jeff Moss

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From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 2:32 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C
Cc: Richard Gough
Subject: Re: Culinary Institute

Jeff,

I sense a building consensus that culinary should be a county priority.

As to the referendum it can be argued two ways:

1. Adversely effecting the referendum
2. Being appreciated by the voters

I tend to think the latter coupled with fact that the District is splitting the increase outweighs the potential referendum impact that probably doesn't rise to being on the screen.

But it can be argued two ways.

Cheers,

Stu

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I believe the culinary program is a great idea and should be looked at as a countywide initiative for economic growth.

Hope all is well.

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It will be the best match of our primary economic industry and careers (not just jobs) for our residents.

I am a strong advocate for the Buckwalter opportunity and building Council support.

I realize that the District's participation is optional. However, it would be a solid investment providing a career path for many of your students.

As I look at the numbers, I suggest that a 25% participation would be equitable for all concerned and I trust that the District and Board will give consideration to participating at this level.

Cheers,

Stu

From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 4:56 PM
To: Stu Rodman
Cc: Richard Gough
Subject: Re: Culinary Institute

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Stu

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 12:09 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C
Subject: Budget

Jeff,

I proposed adding one Mill generating \$1.2 million such that next \$1,000 increment could kick in before Christmas, which would positioning you to add the last \$1,000 effective July 1, 2018.

The teachers liked it but I was unsuccessful with Council. One member told be he would have supported it if had come from the District rather than me,

I don't see us adjusting the Mill unless there is an adverse effect as the state wraps up its budget.

However, if you find a \$1 million (a windfall in the state budget or the mill value increases) we could at any point in the next 6 months revise your appropriation to get the same effect.

Cheers,

Stu

From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 3:14 PM
To: Stu Rodman
Subject: RE: Young Teacher Supplement

Hi Stu,

Yes your analysis is correct. My only concern with dipping into fund balance would be a potential downgrade from Moodys. We have a meeting coming up and if we drop below 13% I am confident we would see a downgrade. I will mention this approach again to our board tomorrow night when we certify the budget. I would agree this is an investment. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Jeff

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From: Stu Rodman [mailto:sturodman@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 14, 2017 9:19 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Subject: Re: Young Teacher Supplement

Jeff,

I find that a small number of large dollar amounts are easier for me to remember and they serve to make a point. Am I correctly understanding the solution to be?

\$2,000 covered in prior budgets
\$1,000 included in this budget
\$1,000 to potential covered with the increased mill value.

\$1,000 still to go
\$5,000 = amount required to solve the problem.

With respect to adjusting for the increased mill value, I suggest including it in your certified budget explaining that it was doable with the increased mill value. I doubt anybody on Council would suggest you do otherwise.

For me the issue becomes why wait and how to get the last \$1,000, which might be?

\$1.0 million = .8 mill tax increase

1.0 - Reducing the Reserve from 13.1% to 12.7%

\$2.0 million

I suspect that Council would be receptive to such an approach.

Solving the problem will increase retention and thus reduce future payments. As such, the extra \$2 million is an investment that will reduce future costs. Being an investment, I would argue that it is a good and valid use of Reserve Funds to be replenished the following year after evaluating the return. As a practical matter, the mill value is growing so you would probably still realize the 13%.

The District calculates its FY18 Reserve % on the projected FY19 Budget while the County does it on its FY18 Budget. Personally, I think basing it on FY18 is prudent. Using your projected Reserve less \$1 million would be approximately 13.2% calculated on FY18, not FY19, expenditures.

I am a capitalist so I would invest as this investment would have a dollar as well as an educational return.

Look forward to discussing.

Cheers,

Stu

On Fri, May 5, 2017 at 11:48 AM, Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us> wrote:

Good morning Stu,

Thank you and great idea. The cost for each \$1,000 is approximately \$2 million. After reviewing our projected collection rate and the mil value, it appears we might be able to drop from 115.96 to 114.5 and remain at 13.1% on our fund balance. If we used the difference from 114.5 to 115.96 (1.46 mils @ \$1,204,447) it would generate \$1,758,492. This could reach the next \$1,000 installment. So, with this earmark we could move from \$3,000 next year to \$4,000 within the acceptable cap. To take it to \$5,000 would require some type of special tax. If we accelerated just one year our teachers would be most appreciative and would assist in our recruitment and retention of teachers.

Let me know when it would be good for us to have lunch and continue to discuss.

Thanks

Jeff

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Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 11:32 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Subject: Young Teacher Supplement

Jeff,

Great presentation today.

I understand the phase in and the impact of high turnover for the starting teachers. I personally believe that we should increase this allowance now rather than spreading it over a couple of years. If we could agree on the number, I would be delighted to proffer it as a tax increase.

Happy to discuss,

Cheers,

Stu

From: Moss, Jeffrey C <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 3:48 PM
To: CC Hoagland
Cc: fran bisi; Staton, Jennifer A; Cordray, Mary M; Campbell, Earl; Gwozdz, Christina S; Payne, Wilbur M; Orischak, Josephine A; Kinton, Geraldine C; Montgomery, Patricia A; Gregory, Cynthia W; Striebinger, David R; Dunkle, Joseph R; John Dowling; Crosby, Tonya V; Kelly Meyerhofer; Gary Kubic; Don Brashears; Steven Hamm; Sled Paul Grant SledPaul Grant; Liz Farrell; David Lauderdale; Tom Davis; Thenerve . org Rick; Tim Scott; Jimmy Bagnall; Jerry Stewart; Jim Carpenter; John Crangle; Jerry at the Beach; David Tigges; Tom Upshaw; Attorney General Alan Wilson Attorney General Allan Wilson; Richard Gregory; Rick Caporale; REBECCA BASS; Russ Keep; Amsler, Sandra; Barrett Brewer; Billy Keyserling; Cynthia Bensch; sturodman@aol.com; ami@ethics.sc.gov; contact@beaufortwatchdog.org; William G.Bill Herbkersman; peter b peter b
Subject: RE: FOIA Response

Mr. Hoagland:

You and I have never met or engaged in a conversation at any level prior to today. I take great exception with your comments. I have never lied to my board or this community. You have the right to believe whatever you would like, but you do not have the right to disparage my reputation. I do agree you have to verify trust, I would hope you and the group you email would believe the same. When the documents you request continue to verify what we say and do, when does the trust begin?

If I understand your email you, or someone, is willing to pay for an audit. As I understand your belief if we pay for the audit it is considered the same as our current Independent Audit. If you will provide me with the names of those paying for this audit I will be happy to take it to our board.

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Subject: Re: FOIA Response

Are you willing to have an independent audit done by the school board, not an audit firm hired and paid by you and others connected. Mr Moss an independent audit is not independent if paid by you or anyone else/ entity connected. Will you comply to this request or volunteer to do this ? If not why not?

How many school districts does the audit firm you hired and paid do in SC ? How much did you pay for this audit. Can you send me a Copy of that audit and a copy of the check paid to that firm for the audit?

Mr Moss certainly you agree with "Trust verified" and understand in light of your recent problem and lying, many of us want this independent audit?

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Cc: Phyllis.White@beaufort.k12.sc.us
Subject: RE: BCSD Penny Referendum

Gentlemen:

As you know it is not my job or intent to persuade you to support the referendum. I will work to share the factual information throughout our community as we have done recently. The initial indication is an understanding this approach make the most financial sense and provides tax relief to our citizens. I am happy to discuss further should you like additional information.

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To: Moss, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Subject: Fwd: BCSD Penny Referendum

Sent from my iPhone

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Date: March 8, 2016 at 6:20:01 AM EST
To: Stu Rodman <>, "White, Phyllis" <Phyllis.White@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Cc: Rick C <>
Subject: Re: BCSD Penny Referendum

Stu: Without being redundant and giving the district the effect that we may be piling on with regards to the proposed referendum, I will not be able to support the efforts of the district to

pass the referendum. Phyllis, like both Rick and Stu, I have been a strong supporter of schools all of my adult life, having been a school board president for over 6 years in Colorado. I will not comment on the issues that are negatively impacting the district's ability to move forward but only say they are significant. Before there is any movement to go forward, whether it is a typical bond referendum or a penny tax, the public image of the district must be repaired.

I too will not be able to support the efforts of the district in the penny tax initiative. As Stu has indicated, I would be more than happy to spend time discussing this in a private setting.

Respectfully

Steve

Sent from Windows Mail

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Jeff and Phyllis,

I find my self in a awkward position:

A. As Phyllis can attest, I have probably been the District's strongest fiscal partner over the years.,

B. I will have to speak out against the Referendum believing that the promise of a property tax break can not not be guaranteed.

With respect to the Referendum:

A. It has no chance of passing even if I were to remain silent.

B. I oppose it on other grounds, but will not argue those publicly.

I have only weighted in on four election issues over the years, but was very influential in each of those outcomes. Referenda don't pass without overwhelming HHI support.

One could argue that I should be supporting it as my District, paying 1/3 of the property taxes, benefits the most from a property tax reduction, if achieved.

Not being one to criticize without offering a solution, the better alternatives are:

A. A traditional referendum with the specific schools on the ballot.

B. Adding one Bluffton school to the County's 2016 CIP Referendum.

Sorry to be negative, as it is out of character for me.

Happy to wade into the lion's den and discuss and perhaps be proved wrong.

Respectfully,

Stu

PS Phyllis, please pass along to Jeff as I don't have his email.

From: Stu Rodman <sturodman@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 2:44 PM
To: jeffrey.moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us
Subject: Fwd: Referenda
Attachments: Referenda Thoughts.docx; Penny Sales Tax Shift.xlsx

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To: jeffrey.moss@beaufortk12.sc.us

Jeff,

I enjoyed our lunch discussion.

Attached are 1) my referenda thoughts and 2) my take on the rough numbers.

I forward this more as an observer and someone who is happy to help if useful and not in my Council capacity.

Said an other way I can't resist 1) weighing in on challenging strategic opportunities and 2) analyzing numbers.

Happy to discuss if helpful.

Thank you for lunch.

Cheers,

stu

Stu's School District Referenda Thoughts

Referenda are difficult to pass. 2016 will be tough for both the County and the District. I am pessimistic that any large School District Referenda would pass including 1) a traditional Property Tax based one and 2) an Educational Penny Sales Tax initiative with the counter arguments for the latter including:

1. A half billion dollars entrusted to this Board of Education?
2. There is no way to guarantee that 8% property taxes will be offset.

The Educational penny is very creative, has the best interests of the citizens at heart, and is one that would be very beneficial to my district. Attached is my back of the envelop worksheet which is a very rough estimate, but perhaps directionally accurate. It is a hard sell to the voters as it:

1. Shifts taxes from 2nd home owners to the visitors, but neither vote.
2. Is regressive.
3. Increases taxes for residents who are the voters.

Better options may be:

1. A small referendum similar to 2006 for primarily 2 Bluffton schools.
2. Having one Bluffton schools included in a County Referendum.

In either case the District is well served to first use 8% capacity (which will increase with County growth and reassessment) thus minimizing the "ask." Given the current controversy, the County may not be receptive to a combined referendum. However it can be argued that passage is problematic if it is:

1. Included because some view the District situation as toxic.
2. Excluded because separate referenda on the same ballot both fail.

An approach might be to:

1. Determine the needs whether included or excluded, which are different.
2. Keep the options open as it is unclear where the County is going:
 - Gary surprisingly stated that a County CIP Referendum is unnecessary.
 - While a LOST would fail at the ballot box, it was only one vote shy of getting on the ballot last time. It would not fund new schools.
3. Propose a small referendum positioning the District to either:
 - Proceed in the spring when timing is more favorable for passage.
 - Roll it into a fall CIP if there is one and if asked.

BCSD Tax Shift**(M's - \$)**

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Residents</u>	<u>2nd Home</u>	<u>Visitors</u>	<u>Other</u>	
<u>County</u>						
Property Taxes	30.0	10.0	18.0		2.0	
Sales Taxes	30.0	18.0	2.0	8.0	2.0	
Shift		8.0	(16.0)	8.0	0.0	0.0
Net of Tax Impact		9.0	(11.7)			

Hilton Head Island

Marginal Tax Rate		15%	30%			
Property Taxes	15.0	3.0	11.0		1.0	
Income Tax	(3.8)	(0.5)	(3.3)			
Sales Taxes	15.0	6.0	1.0	7.0	1.0	
Shift		3.5	(6.7)	7.0	0.0	3.8

All Other

Marginal Tax Rate		8%	15%			
Property Taxes	15.0	7.0	7.0		1.0	
Income Tax	(1.6)	(0.5)	(1.1)			
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Rick,

I agree district and county staff should work together and left yesterday's meeting believing that would be the case. I guess I misunderstood your email about only the school district presenting and the intention was for both sets of staff to present.

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From: Caporale, Rick [mailto:rcaporale@bcgov.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 2:20 PM
To: Moss, Jeffrey; sturodman@gmail.com; Sommerville, Paul; Fobes, Steve
Cc: Holland, Alicia; White, Phyllis; Evans, Bill M; Caporale, Rick
Subject: RE: Clarification for Meeting

Jeff:

The purpose of my e-mail was to try to eliminate issues that could distract us from the main conversation.

Taking their statements at face value, Mr. Flewelling said he wanted to see the District's request in writing. Mr. Stewart raised a question about the County's millage, which seemed to beg the question of whether or not we should be discussing that in addition to your request.

Either comment/issue, if ignored, simply detract from the more important issue at hand.

Finally, with all due respect to your question, I seldom if ever speak for County staff. Besides, this decision will be made by Council.

And of course I always recommend that District and County staff collaborate and would hope you'd do so now.

Rick

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From: Moss, Jeffrey [Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us]
Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 12:00 PM
To: Caporale, Rick; sturodman@gmail.com; Sommerville, Paul

Cc: Holland, Alicia; White, Phyllis; Evans, Bill M

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From: "Caporale, Rick" <rcaporale@bcgov.net<mailto:rcaporale@bcgov.net>>

Date: August 18, 2014 at 8:44:53 PM EDT

To: "Holland, Alicia" <>, Phyllis White

<Phyllis.White@beaufort.k12.sc.us<mailto:Phyllis.White@beaufort.k12.sc.us>>

Cc: #COUNCIL <COUNCIL@bcgov.net<mailto:COUNCIL@bcgov.net>>

Subject: Finance Meeting on 8/25

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Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2014 12:01 PM
To: rcaporale@bcgov.net; sturodman@gmail.com; psommerville@bcgov.net
Cc: aholland@bcgov.net; White, Phyllis; Evans, Bill M
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From: Moss, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 2:23 PM
To: abeall; Evans, Bill M
Cc: Councilman Stu Rodman
Subject: RE: Santa Elena Foundation - Please join us!

Thank you for the invitation. I will be there Thursday.

Jeff Moss

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From: abeall [mailto:abeall@santa-elena.org]
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 8:00 PM
To: Evans, Bill M; Moss, Jeffrey
Cc: Councilman Stu Rodman
Subject: Santa Elena Foundation - Please join us!

Gentlemen,

Following up on conversations you had today with Councilman Stu Rodman, the Santa Elena Foundation invites you to bring a guest and join us Thursday evening for a reception at the USCB Center for the Arts. The event detailed in the attached electronic invitation is to honor four visiting scholars who contribute much to the understanding of the 16th Century Santa

Elena community. The lady and three gentlemen are here to define for the Foundation the historical timeline for Santa Elena; their work will become the framework for future historical and archaeological research.

We do hope you will join us. The brief event from 5:30 to 7:00 will be our opportunity to introduce these scholars to leaders in the community and to share the exciting prospects for Santa Elena Foundation projects.

Andy Beall
Executive Director

From: Rodman, Stewart <srodman@bcgov.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 4:24 PM
To: White, Phyllis; Moss, Jeffrey; Caporale, Rick; Fobes, Steve
Cc: Sommerville, Paul; Evans, Bill M; Kubic, Gary
Subject: Stu's BCSD Budget

All,

I don't want to get involved in an expanding email chain but will offer comments on a one time basis.

If memory serves, this is my 10th BCSD Budget and I believe of the 8 while on Council that I have been on the prevailing side of the final millage vote 7 times and, up until now, Council has always appropriated the amount requested by the BoE. Differences have been primarily in the area of millage rates, projected collections and reserves.

I remember successfully proposing tax increases that were opposed by much of the community and no tax increases that were difficult for the education community. I have always looked to what I believed was appropriate and not what was political. I even tried to convince the Delegation to give the BoE fiscal authority. It failed in part because Fred W and Jim B opposed it. Talk about role reversal.

The BCSD has always been forthcoming, the projections have been reasonable, the door has always been open for those Council Members that want to get into more detail, and I have always looked at the Budget from a macro basis.

Collections have run a little short of good faith projections but I would not classify this as miscalculations. The effect is not cumulative as the fund balance has steadily increased over time and that is one of the reasons to have reserves.

I believe that everyone involved has acted in good faith and that the negotiations, while difficult at times, have produced reasonable budgets. Previously Council just rejected the Budget, the "maintenance of local effort" kicked in which didn't adjust for declining EFA funding.

I have come to believe that there is little to be gained by starting the process too early given the magnitude of state funding. In a perfect world I recommend that:

1. Respective Finance Committees meet in April to understand the Budget
2. BoE certify in early May.
3. 1st Reading by title only in late May
4. Intervening Finance Committees between Readings
5. 2nd and 3rd Readings in June.

There all a lot of moving parts but at the end of the day the best measure of success is to look back and see if the Budgets have been reasonable or compromised education. From my perspective they have been fairly debated and a good balance between taxpayer and education interests. I would challenge anyone (other than Jim B and Steve B) to identify any significant shortcomings that impacted education in the prior Budgets. Failing that, I would suggest that the process and the outcomes have been productive.

My thoughts,

Stu

From: Moss, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 9:18 AM
To: White, Phyllis
Cc: srodman@bcgov.net; Caporale, Rick; Fobes, Steve (sfobes@bcgov.net)
Subject: RE: BCSD Budget

Phyllis,

The revenue appropriated by the Council last night was not an increase. It is the same revenue approved for this fiscal year (114.9). **This is a 0% increase over current year.** The miscalculation of the millage rate has forced us to operate with less revenue this school year and compromised our budget planning for next year.

I also don't understand why we would compare to the '13 estimate when we have real numbers in this year's budget. Part of my concern from last night was the presentation of the revenue appropriated to bring us back to the 114.9 is considered an increase when in fact it is the revenue appropriated for this year.

I know I am new, but when I look at our budget needs I typically look out 4-5 years and the impact our people and programs have on our possible revenue. Even if we would have received revenue as projected I believe we would still have to reduce our budget without consideration for an increase due to annually state mandates. Please add what you feel is appropriate.

Jeff

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From: White, Phyllis
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 8:38 AM
To: Moss, Jeffrey
Subject: FW: BCSD Budget

-----Original Message-----

From: Rodman, Stewart [mailto:srodman@bcgov.net]
Sent: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 8:19 AM
To: White, Phyllis; Caporale, Rick

Cc: Fobes, Steve
Subject: BCSD Budget

Pls copy Jeff as I am having trouble with my aol account and I don't see his email on my county account.

While it is fresh on my mind I refined my one page summary which is attached.

It seems to me that starting with the '13 estimate, adding the \$10 million in requested increases, and subtracting the \$1.5 million in identified cuts results in a reasonable \$190.4 million Appropriation and 14% Fund Balance.

In order to bring closure I will proffer the \$190.4 million on 6/23 unless it is resolved sooner. Ideally the BoE would propose the \$190.4 million and we can call it a day.

Aside from building Fund Balance and accepting the \$1.5 million identified by the District, I fail to see how education is compromised in any way with a 4.7% Appropriation increase.

Cheers,

Stu

From: Moss, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Moss@beaufort.k12.sc.us>
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2014 11:40 AM
To: Richard Gough
Cc: Hayes Wiser; Nancy Weber; Gina Mounfield; Leigh Copeland; Louise Mathews; Ann Cullen; sturodman@aol.com; srodman@bcgov.net
Subject: RE: B3 and Know2

Rich,

I have the same concerns and think it is worth a conversation on Tuesday. If they have a fund raising plan outside what we are doing I have not heard it yet. Let's talk Tuesday.

Thanks
Jeff

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From: Richard Gough [mailto:rgough@tcl.edu]
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2014 11:21 AM
To: Moss, Jeffrey
Cc: Hayes Wiser; Nancy Weber; Gina Mounfield; Leigh Copeland; Louise Mathews; Ann Cullen; sturodman@aol.com; srodman@bcgov.net
Subject: B3 and Know2

Jeff,
The inclusion of Know2 into this initiative has been a blessing but it has also created a challenge or two. For example - please see the email thread below re funding for years 2, 3, and maybe 4. I suspect there will be carry over Know2 funds into 2015-16 but not enough to completely carry the program. Without an addition infusion there definitely won't be funds for years 3 and 4. Since we don't know whether or not Beaufort County Council will fund the interim years (until B3 endowment kicks in) - I wonder if we should somehow be prepared to 'de-coupled' Know2 funding from B3. Maybe during the Tuesday press conference we should be prepared to caveat (or condition) the B3 program on funds availability. I hate to do that but Thoughts?
Rich

From: Nancy Weber
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 5:42 PM
To: Richard Gough

Cc: Gina Mounfield; Hayes Wiser

Subject: RE: b3

That is a very, very good point. I think that is a conversation you and Dr. Moss need to have prior to Tuesday.

We could say Know2 initiative with "plans" to continue yayadada...

Does the Know2 money have to be distributed this year? It would be much safer starting, as we discussed, when the endowment was secure.

Whatever the decision to call it, we all need to be ready on Tuesday for the Q&A on this. I suggest we have some time to prep on Monday.

I have my staff coming in around 1:30 to discuss for answering phone calls etc.

I will let you know when I get a final draft from Dereck.

I will be checking emails and have my cell with me Thursday and Friday.

N

From: Richard Gough

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 5:08 PM

To: Nancy Weber

Cc: Gina Mounfield; Hayes Wiser

Subject: RE: b3

I'm good with what you've written. However, I'm a little bit uneasy about years 2, 3, and maybe 4. I don't want to give the public (especially students and their parents) the wrong impression. The fact is we may not be able to continue the program commitment – in the short term. Maybe we are making a mistake by not calling this a Know 2 initiative - not B3. Thoughts.

From: Nancy Weber

Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 3:22 PM

To: Richard Gough

Subject: b3

I took what Dereck sent me and did the attached. I have sent him a copy to proof and then will send out to all on the email.

Let me know if you have any concerns.

N



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