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Date: December 17, 2018 at 4:23:22 PM EST  
To: herbert.berg@beaufort.k12.sc.us <mailto:herbert.berg@beaufort.k12.sc.us>  
Cc: JoAnn.Orischak@beaufort.k12.sc.us <mailto:JoAnn.Orischak@beaufort.k12.sc.us>  
Subject: Board Resolution (voted on 11/7/17)

Herb,

Please find the attached resolution voted on by the Board on 11/7/17.

The motion passed 10-1, with yours truly dissenting.

JoAnn Orischak  
Beaufort County Board of Education  
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**To:** JoAnn Orischak  
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**Sent:** Friday, December 21, 2018 2:25 PM  
**To:** Anderson, Evva A; Campbell, Earl; Cordray, Mary M; Dowling, John R; Dunkle, Joseph R; Gregory, Cynthia W; Gwozdz, Christina S; Kinton, Geraldine C; Orischak, Josephine A; Payne, Wilbur M; Striebinger, David R  
**Cc:** Cartledge, Wendy B; Cushingberry, Robyn L  
**Subject:** Subpoena Served - Request for Production  
**Attachments:** 2018.12.17 ACT, INC. V. WORLDWIDE INTERACTIVE, INC..pdf

Board Members,

Please see the attached subpoena. The due date is January 15, 2019. Current BOE members need to review the subpoena and provide any documents and communications with ACT or WORLDWIDE INTERACTIVE, INC. (WIN) to Wendy Cartledge. Wendy is working with the BCSD information technology department with respect to the items listed on pages 5 and 6 of the subpoena. If any of you are contacted by any attorneys concerning this lawsuit, please refer the attorneys to Wendy.

Thank you and Happy Holidays!

Molly Mercado

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**From:** Dowling, John R <John.Dowling@beaufort.k12.sc.us>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 21, 2018 3:29 PM  
**To:** jerry at the beach  
**Subject:** Re: In case you missed it  
**Attachments:** 1545420862892blob.jpg; 1545421361785blob.jpg

Jerry,

I might have been more presidential and less candid if I thought it was going on to the District server. Oh well, it needed to be said. Cordray will be spitting nails.

JOHN DOWLING  
DISTRICT 6 REPRESENTATIVE  
BEAUFORT COUNTY BOE

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On Dec 21, 2018, at 2:44 PM, jerry at the beach <gringoviejotwo@yahoo.com>  
<mailto:gringoviejotwo@yahoo.com> > wrote:

Apparently the representative from Dist. 2 doesn't want to connect the dots...  
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between Campbell's failure to notify the board one year ago, (that may have allowed the board to solve some of the schools problems) and the decision by Dr. Berg to close the failing school this week...not too presidential, but typical of a Marine.

I am very happy the discipline problems will remain at Right Choices, happy the kids won't be spending so much time on buses...but keep wondering;

Why the students in question didn't receive what they required from their feeder schools to begin with?

I am gratified to see Dr. Berg stands behind his decisions, in spite of the majority opinion on the board.

Stay presidential and have a great Christmas.

~Jerry

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On Friday, December 21, 2018, 12:00:08 PM EST, Dowling, John R  
<John.Dowling@beaufort.k12.sc.us <mailto:John.Dowling@beaufort.k12.sc.us> > wrote:

Hi Jerry,

Right Choices is staying open for the discipline problems. The academic issues mentioned in the letter ARE being addressed, and the Principals are doing a commendable job with the Plan to transition kids back to their zoned schools after the Christmas break.

We had kids from HHI spending up to three hours a day on a bus, which give them 5 hours of instruction instead of the required 7.5 hours of "seat time".

The building was a Moss setup. He was told in advance by the State Dept of ED that it would not work. Moss wanted to use it as a dumping ground to jack up graduation rates in the other schools. He knew it wouldn't last more than a couple of years.

Dr Berg's evaluation is that it is too late to fix the school without screwing over the kids that are already in it. Plus, once the State takes over - which was imminent - it's tough to get them out. It's a HUGE black eye, and would seriously hamper our recruitment of a top notch permanent Superintendent to succeed Dr Berg.

JoAnn and I are firmly behind Dr Berg in this decision to immediately close the school. The students will receive what they need in their "home zone" schools.

Don't forget that Mary has motive to throw suspicion on Dr Berg's performance. He is making Moss look like a very lousy Superintendent, and Mary cannot abide that. So, she whips up STAND to cause a ruckus.

We might have been able to save the school had Earl not robbed us of a year. NOTE: Not ONE of the Majority voiced any concern or criticism of Campbell..... and I don't buy the "forgot" excuse. It was two weeks after the FBI came to Town, and there was a Referendum

on the line. Please call me with any concerns, and I hope you and Mrs Smith have a wonderful Christmas.

John R. Dowling, Jr  
District 6 Representative  
Beaufort County BOE

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'I'm scared to go back': Beaufort Co Schools to reconsider closure of Is...

Administrators at the Beaufort County, South Carolina School District have decided to close the district's alter...

Below is a letter to the Editor in today's Island Packet 

Beaufort County students need Islands Academy



The Beaufort County School District is closing the Islands Academy alternative school. I think it's the only one of its kind in the state. I know it has been written about extensively over the past week.

I'm just a grandparent/guardian for my granddaughter. She is a student there. She has trouble focusing. She is bright enough, but got lost in the big high school. Only two months ago we were told Islands Academy was the place for her. We bought in and sent her.

It means two extra hours in a bus each day. She left her best friends behind, and struggled to "fit in." But she was doing OK. Now they're shutting it down. No warning. No plan. Just sending these 70 kids back to where they were failing, or that were failing them.

The superintendent says: "We can do better."

I pray that they can. But it will take time and resources that are not there now, as well as objectives and ways to measure progress. They're not there either.

Can we do better? How have we done so far for these kids?

Brian Cosacchi  
Hilton Head Island

Dr. Berg,

This is just one letter from a concerned guardian. As my representative so well stated after being kept out of the loop by our 'inattentive' Chair; "We would have had a year to possibly turn this thing in the right direction," said board member JoAnn Orischak. "But not knowing about it, we had no opportunity to oversee the suggested interventions and procedures."

It is my opinion that before closing this school, you and our board are able to respond Mr. Cosacchi's very valid questions and share with the community what resources and objective are in place now, to measure progress.

G.A. Smith  
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It doesn't have to be that way. The FBI, U.S. Atty and new/current board and administration can follow the money and find out where all the special State and Federal dollars went. The principal of I.A. signed the letter as well..why doesn't she shed some light on all of this? I don't believe she has made any comment thus far.

fran

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<John.Dowling@beaufort.k12.sc.us> wrote:

Here's what was going on around the time that Moss and Campbell learned about the "problem" and signed the MOA.

1. The District had just been subpoenaed by the FBI ... the Officers and Moss were working hard to keep it secret.
2. Divisive debate on a Marriage Counselor, which was endorsed by all the then-Officers and the Board Attorney....opposed by the Reformers.
3. Secret negotiations with Moss on his buyout 4. A voter referendum was in the wings.

There was a lot to keep from the Public and from the Rank and File Board Member, all in the interest of "image".

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**Sent:** Saturday, December 22, 2018 12:37 PM  
**To:** gringoviejotwo@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Additional information . . . .

Jerry,

A rather significant event was revealed at the special-called Board meeting. Evidently, when Moss applied to open the Islands Academy school (previously named Right Choices school) back in 2014-2015 timeframe, the State Dept. of Education strongly advised him against opening the school, because this model has been proven to not work. This warning by the State was not relayed to the Board.

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Had I known that this was the recommendation by the State, I would have encouraged Dr. Moss to heed their advisement. After all, we'd be fighting an up-hill battle moving forward with an ill-advised model. After Dr. Berg revealed this fact the other night, I looked around to see if any other Board members were surprised to hear of the State's input. No one seemed alarmed.

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Let me know if you have further questions.

Best,

JoAnn

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**To:** Striebinger, David R  
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