

BOARD OF TRUSTEES - Regular Meeting

(Note: Board members, essential CCSD staff, and a limited number of the general public including media representatives were offered the option of attending the meeting in person, subject to the capacity of the Board Room at 75 Calhoun Street, using social distancing protocols. The meeting was also provided via Zoom and live streamed on CCSD's YouTube channel for the public.)

Monday, September 27, 2021

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Members present

Ms. Courtney Waters, Ms. Cindy Bohn Coats, Ms. Erica Cokley (via Zoom), Mrs. Kate Darby, Dr. Helen Frazier, Dr. Kristen French, Ms. Joyce Green, and Mrs. Lauren Herterich (arrived 5:15 p.m.)

Rev. Eric Mack was absent, and Ms. Waters chaired the meeting.

1. Opening Items

Procedural: A. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Action: B. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda, removing Item 4-G (Receipt of Legal Advice regarding Policy BCC), and approve consent agenda items.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Joyce Green

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green

Action: C. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of the Board Meeting of August 23, 2021, and Committee of the Whole and Special Board Meeting of September 13, 2021.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Joyce Green

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green

Action: D. Convene in Executive Session

Motion to convene executive session to consider items covered by attorney-client privilege.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Kristen French

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green

2. Executive Session

Action: A. Contractual Matter pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2) - Lincoln Campus

Action: B. Contractual Matter pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2) - McClellanville Campus

Action: C. Contractual Matter pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2) - Carolina Voyager Charter

Action: D. Contractual Matter pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2) - James Island Charter High School

Action: E. Out of County Transfer Request pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)

Action: F. Receipt of Legal Advice regarding Tax Increment Financing and Policy DE

(removed) Action, Information: G. Receipt of Legal Advice regarding Policy BCC

Information: H. Receipt of Legal Advice regarding Litigation

3. Open Session Reconvened

Action: A. Reconvene Open Session - Open Session reconvened at 5:20 p.m.

Procedural: B. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

4. Possible Action on Executive Session Items

Action: A. Contractual Matter pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2) - Lincoln Campus

Motion to approve the sale of the Lincoln Campus and Spray Field to Lincoln Regional Center, effective November 1, 2022.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Joyce Green

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green, Lauren Herterich

Action: B. Contractual Matter pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2) - McClellanville Campus

Motion to list the property on MLS for 90 days.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Joyce Green

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green, Lauren Herterich

Action: C. Contractual Matter pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2) - Carolina Voyager Charter

Motion to amend the current Facilities Lease Agreement to end August 31, 2023 at the St. Andrews Campus with Carolina Voyager Charter School with no ability to extend past August 31, 2023.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Joyce Green

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green, Lauren Herterich

Action: D. Contractual Matter pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(2) - James Island Charter High School

Motion to approve all requested amendments to the charter and contract except for the proposed changes to Section 8.4 of the contract.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Joyce Green

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green, Lauren Herterich

Action: E. Out of County Transfer Request pursuant to SC Code 30-4-70(a)(1)

(This item was removed as board action was not necessary.)

Action: F. Receipt of Legal Advice regarding Tax Increment Financing and Policy DE

Motion to decline participation in the North Charleston Coliseum Area Tax Increment District and the Craig Road Area Tax Increment District.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Kristen French

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green, Lauren Herterich

Action, Information: G. Receipt of Legal Advice regarding Policy BCC

(This item was removed.)

5. Special Recognitions

Information: A. Special Recognitions

Melissa Murdock, Baptist Hill Middle High School dance teacher, won a Social Emotional Learning (SEL) in Action Award. She was selected as one of 105 recipients from 800 applications nationwide and is the only CCSD educator to win this award. Murdock used the \$1,915 award funds to attend Breathe for Change training, a yoga certification program designed specifically for teachers, to deliver instruction to students and colleagues. Breathe for Change integrates social-emotional learning, meditation, and traditional aspects of yoga.

Belle Hall Elementary School earned a prestigious distinction as only one of five schools in South Carolina designated as a 2021 National Blue Ribbon School (NRBS). Belle Hall is the first school in Charleston County School District (CCSD) to receive this award in four years (Buist Academy in 2017). The NRBS Program recognizes public and private elementary, middle, and high schools based on their overall academic excellence or their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups.

Adam "AJ" Barnes is Charleston County School District's 2021 Teacher of the Year. Barnes teaches AP European History, US History, and coaches baseball at West Ashley High School (WAHS). This is his fifth year at the school. The announcement came via a surprise visit Thursday, August 26, 2021, from Superintendent Dr. Gerrita Postlewait and a caravan of district officials. Selected from over 80 school-based teachers of the year, Barnes will help lead the CCSD Teacher of the Year Roundtable during the 2021-2022 school year.

Attendees:

Melissa Murdock, Baptist Hill Dance Teacher

Brendan Glaze, Baptist Hill Principal

Kevin Conklin, Belle Hall Elementary Principal

AJ Barnes, CCSD Teacher of the Year

Ryan Cumback, West Ashley High Principal

6. Public Comments

Information: A. Public Comments In Person according to Temporary Public Comment Policy

Eleven people publicly addressed the board regarding facemasks and other issues.

Information: B. Review of Online Public Comments Submitted

All written comments were sent to board members and posted to the district's web page.

7. Superintendent's Report

Information: A. Superintendent's Report

The following are among the items addressed during the superintendent's report:

- Covid Incident numbers; other Covid data normally shared
- Operational updates
- Implications of assessment analysis
- Targeting the bulk of ESSER III funds to students with greatest needs

8. Action & Information Items - Audit & Finance Committee

Action: A. Eight Percent General Obligation Bond (GOB) Resolution

Motion to approve Resolution authorizing the issuance of the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2021A in the principal amount of not exceeding \$97,000,000 and the General Obligation Bonds, Taxable Series 2021B in the principal amount of not exceeding \$8,000,000 to fund the following:

- 1 - The amount of approximately \$26,000,000 for the December 1 installment payments for the tax-exempt 2013 and 2014 alternative financing bonds based on our long-term debt structure and commitments. Series 2021A
- 2 - The amount of approximately \$66,000,000 to retire the Series 2021A Bond Anticipation Note issued to pay the installment payments made on June 1, 2021 for the tax-exempt 2013 and 2014 alternative financings; to pay Fixed Costs of Ownership; to fund the cost of Plexiglas deconstruction; and to fund the cost of land acquisition in District 2. Series 2021A
- 3 - The amount of approximately \$4,100,000 for the December 1 installment payment for the taxable 2020 alternative financing bonds based on our long-term debt structure and commitments. Taxable Series 2021B
- 4 - The amount of approximately \$1,300,000 to retire the Taxable Series 2021D Bond Anticipation Note issued to pay the installment payment made on June 1, 2021 for the taxable 2020 alternative financing. Taxable Series 2021B

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Joyce Green

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green, Lauren Herterich

Information: B. Monthly Financial Report - Projected Year-End Numbers

The monthly report was received as information.

Information: C. Monthly Capital Projects Report

The monthly report was received as information.

9. Other Business

Action: A. Certification of Delegates for 2021 Delegate Assembly - SCSBA

Motion to appoint Helen Frazier as the delegate and Joyce Green as the alternate delegate to represent Charleston County School District at the 2020 Legislative Conference of South Carolina School Boards Association to be held December 4 at the Charleston Marriott.

Motion by Kate Darby, second by Lauren Herterich

Final Resolution: Motion carried.

Yea: Courtney Waters, Cindy Bohn Coats, Erica Cokley, Kate Darby, Helen Frazier, Kristen French, Joyce Green, Lauren Herterich

Information: B. ESSER Advisory Committee

Chairman Mack plans to name a group to comprise the ESSER Advisory Committee. Because he was not in attendance this evening, the names will be provided at a meeting in October.

10. Consent Agenda

These items were approved earlier in the meeting.

Consent Action: A. ESSER III Funds Expenditure

Motion to approve a draw on ESSER III funds up to \$26M for IAQ and health protocol projects/activities.

Consent Action: B. Policy BE - Board Meetings and Policy BEDH - Public Comments

Motion to approve revisions to Policy BE regarding Public Participation in Meetings and to rescind the temporary Policy BEDH; suspend requirement for two readings; include electronic addendum into main section of BE.

11. Closing Items

Information: A. Upcoming Meetings

October 11, 2021 - Committee of the Whole

October 25, 2021 - Board Meeting

Action: B. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.