

**ST. JAMES-SANTEE CONSTITUENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**St. James-Santee Elementary School  
McClellanville, SC 29458**

**Tuesday, December 8, 2015 (6:30 p.m.)**

**Members Present:**

Mr. Thomas Colleton, Chairperson  
Mrs. Erma Harrell, Vice Chair  
Mr. Joseph Bowers, III  
Ms. Diane Geathers  
Ms. Shonna Weather  
Rev. Derrick Wilson

**Members Absent:**

Ms. Anita Alston-Gore

**Others Present:**

Ms. Terri H. Nichols, Associate Superintendent  
Ms. Pamela Jubar, Lincoln Middle-High School Interim Principal  
Dr. Joe Sampson, St. James-Santee Elementary School Principal  
Ms. Trudie Cantrell, Administrative Assistant

**Others Absent:**

None

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1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Mr. Thomas L. Colleton, Chairperson, called the meeting to order, gave the invocation, and led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Bowers moved and Ms. Harrell seconded the motion to amend the agenda to show the September 22, 2015 amended minutes for Board approval. The motion passed (6-0).

2. **Notice of Meeting:** In accordance with the S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, the Charleston County Public Relations Office was notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting, and the agenda was posted on the Charleston County School District web page, and St. James-Santee front office.

3. **Visitors:** None

4. **Old Business:**

A. District One Buses – St. James-Santee has one bus that runs from Laurel Hill that is six to ten minutes late. Lincoln Middle High School has one bus that has been late. Mr. Colleton to call Ms. Mitchum to find out if St. James-Santee bus is temporary, and if so, how long.

5. **New Business:**

A. Mr. Bowers asked permission of Board to write letter for the South Carolina Attorney General's opinion on the following topics:

- Magnet School Attendance Zones
- Policies of Constituent Districts adopted by the County Board of Trustees
- Legality of Office of Student Placement being involved with student discipline
- Student Code of Conduct

Mrs. Harrell moved and Rev. Wilson seconded the motion for Mr. Bowers to draft letter for South Carolina Attorney General's opinion on the above discussed topics. The motion passed (5-1). (Ms. Weathers)

6. **Approval of the Minutes:** Mr. Thomas Colleton, Chairperson, called for the approval of the minutes for the amended September 22, 2015 and minutes for the October 28, 2015 meeting. Mr. Bowers moved and Ms. Weathers seconded the motion to approve both meeting's minutes. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

7. **Executive Session:** Ms. Erma Harrell moved and Rev. Wilson seconded the motion to enter into executive session for a Board issue. The motion passed unanimously (6-0-1abstention). (Bowers)

8. **Open Session:** Ms. Harrell moved and Rev. Wilson seconded the motion to return to open session. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

9. **Administrative Report:**

Dr. Joe Sampson reported on the following: a) Spelling bee winner will be today, December 8th; b) Winter formal will be held on December 17th; c) Donated toys to MUSC Children's Hospital on December 18<sup>th</sup>; d) Teachers are choosing two students from each class that meet a criteria for FIT (friendly, impressive and trustworthy); e) Donations of non-perishable food is being taken to Agenda Food Bank, f) IBeam mentoring program going well with positive effect on children; g) 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students are taking swimming lessons h) Community choir performed for Mayor Riley and i) Student and Teacher attendance is above 95%.

Ms. Jubar reported on the following: a) Seven students have been identified for Horry-Georgetown dual enrollment and six will take the Compass test; b) Dr. Cherry Daniels/Virtual Schools has come up with the following courses: English 1-4, Algebra, Probabilities/Statistics; c) Forty-seven students have one or two failing grades and parents have been contacted - students remain after school.; d) Student participated in Arbor Day; e) December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. is the Winter Performance; f) Senior presentations started today – select topic, research, 8 – 10 pages, public announcement, and power point; and g) Lincoln Middle/High School's Winter Social is Saturday, December 19, 2015.

10. **Board Report:** None

11. **Public Communications:** None

12. **Associate Superintendent's Report:** None

13. **Adjournment:** There being no further business, Mr. Bowers moved and Mrs. Geathers seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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Minutes Approved

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Thomas Colleton, Chairperson