

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019

7:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS**

MR. JAMIE DEVINE, CHAIRMAN

MR. AARON BISHOP, VICE CHAIRMAN

MRS. LILA ANNA SAULS, SECRETARY/TREASURER

MRS. CHERYL HARRIS, PARLIAMENTARIAN

MRS. BEATRICE KING

MS. YOLANDA ANDERSON

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7300 PATTERSON ROAD

COLUMBIA, SC 29209

HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019

7:00 P.M.

**MATTER OF**

**RECORD:**

AS MANDATED BY THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PASSED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE RECORDS WILL SHOW THAT THE LOCAL NEWS MEDIA WERE NOTIFIED OF THIS MEETING.

THE CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT THE BOARD WOULD GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING LEGAL ADVICE, DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL MATTERS AND CONTRACTUAL MATTERS.

THE COMMISSIONER JAMIE DEVINE, CHAIRMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:30 P.M.

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: BISHOP, SAULS,  
HARRIS, KING, ANDERSON.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER DEVINE MOVED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING LEGAL ADVICE, DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL MATTERS AND CONTRACTUAL MATTERS. COMMISSIONER KING MOVED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND IT WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ANDERSON.

**MATTER OF**

AS MANDATED BY THE FREEDOM OF

**RECORD:**

INFORMATION ACT PASSED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE RECORDS WILL SHOW THAT THE LOCAL NEWS MEDIA WERE NOTIFIED OF THIS MEETING. THE RECORD WILL ALSO SHOW THAT CHAIRMAN DEVINE CALLED FOR A MOTION TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION TO DISCUSS SEVERAL ISSUES: (1) PERSONNEL MATTER; (2) STUDENT APPEAL HEARING; (3) RECEIPT OF LEGAL ADVICE PURSUANT TO SC FOIA LAW; (4) PERSONNEL/HR UPDATES; (5) RECOMMENDATION FOR TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT; (6) HIRING OF

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PERSONNEL; (7) MINUTES: NOVEMBER 12, 2019; (8) CONTRACT EXTENSION: WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR SERVICES; (9) CONTRACT EXTENSION: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/AVID CENTER HQ; (10) BOARD REPORT; (11) BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS; (12) 2018-2019 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCE REPORT (CAFR); (13) 2020 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM; (14) BOARD POLICY ADC, TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT; (15) BOARD POLICY DIE, AUDITS/FINANCIAL MONITORING; (16) BOARD POLICY EEAE, BUS SAFETY PROGRAM; (17) BOARD POLICY GBED, TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS/STAFF NO SMOKING; (18) BOARD POLICY GCBE, ATHLETICS ASSIGNMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY PAY; (19) BOARD POLICY GDQB, RESIGNATION OF STAFF; (20) BOARD POLICY IHBF, MEDICAL HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION; (21) BOARD POLICY IJNDB, USE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES IN INSTRUCTION; (22) BOARD POLICY IKA, GRADING/ASSESSMENT SYSTEMS; (23) BOARD POLICY JII, STUDENT

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CONCERNS, COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCES; (24) BOARD POLICY JFAA, ADMISSION OF RESIDENT STUDENTS; (25) BOARD POLICY JFAB, ADMISSION OF NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS; (26) BOARD POLICY JFABC, STUDENT ASSIGNMENTS AND TRANSFERS; (27) BOARD POLICY, JFABD, ADMISSION OF HOMELESS STUDENTS; (28) BOARD POLICY JLF, STUDENT WELFARE; (29) BOARD POLICY JKD, SUSPENSION OF STUDENTS; (30) BOARD POLICY KDC, DISTRICT-SPONSORED INFORMATION MEDIA; (31) BOARD POLICY KLGA, SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS; (32) BOARD POLICY JICG, TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS; (33) RECEIPT OF LEGAL ADVICE PURSUANT TO SC FOIA LAW; (34) SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT; (35) NEW COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS; (36) 2019 ACT-SAT-AP-IB; (37) PROCUREMENT AUDIT REPORT FOR THE PERIODS JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018; (38) CITY OF COLUMBIA EASEMENT; (39) OLYMPIA CORNERSTONES.

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET AT BURNSIDE  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ON DECEMBER 10, 2019.  
CHAIRMAN DEVINE CALLED THE MEETING TO  
ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:**

CHAIRMAN JAMIE DEVINE, MR. AARON BISHOP,  
MRS. LILA ANNA SAULS, MRS. CHERYL HARRIS,  
MRS. BEATRICE KING AND MS. YOLANDA  
ANDERSON.

**INVOCATION:**

REVEREND WILLISTINE LAGREE, ASSISTANT  
PASTOR OF NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH,  
GAVE THE INVOCATION.

**AGENDA ADOPTION:**

CHAIRMAN DEVINE STATED ITEM 11.01:  
PROCUREMENT AUDIT REPORT FOR THE PERIODS  
JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 20, 2018 WILL BE  
DELETED.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER BISHOP MOVED FOR APPROVAL  
AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER  
ANDERSON.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

**SCHOOL PRESENTATION:**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS GAVE THE SCHOOL  
HISTORY FOR BURNSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

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THE BOARD WAS ENTERTAINED WITH PRESENTATIONS WERE PRESENTED BY AN ALL BOYS' STUDENT GROUP AND SISTERS OF THE HIVE; SCHOOL CHOIR PRESENTED A MUSICAL RENDITION. PARENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY RECOGNIZED.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** NONE

**CONSENT AGENDA:** MINUTES: NOVEMBER 12, 2019  
CONTRACT EXTENSION: WASTEWATER TREAT-  
MENT OPERATOR SERVICES  
CONTRACT EXTENSION: PROFESSIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES/AVID CENTER HQ

CHAIRMAN DEVINE READ THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE RECORD.

**MOTION:** COMMISSIONER BISHOP MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARRIS.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

**OFFICE OF BOARD:** PERSONNEL MATTERS

**BOARD:** CHAIRMAN DEVINE STATED THE BOARD MET TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS FOR EMPLOYEES WITH INITIALS E.W. AND K.W.

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NO ACTION IS NEEDED AT THIS TIME.

STUDENT APPEAL HEARING

MS. MINNIEWEATHER STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT THE BOARD UPHOLD THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE HEARING OFFICE AND REVIEW POTENTIAL SUPPORT SERVICES TO ADMIT THE STUDENT IN COMPLETING THEIR SENIOR YEAR.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SAULS.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

BOARD REPORT

**COMMISSIONER HARRIS** RECOGNIZED LOWER RICHLAND GRADUATE, JUDGE OVERTURE WALKER. SHE STATED SEVERAL OF US ATTENDED OUR SCHOOL BOARD LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY CONFERENCE THIS PAST WEEKEND.

**COMMISSIONER BISHOP** CONGRATULATED COMMISSIONER HARRIS FOR BEING ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE BLACK CAUCUS FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION.

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**COMMISSIONER KING** ASKED FOR THE BOARD TO HAVE A DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING OR DURING A WORK SESSION TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE STRUCTURES.

**COMMISSIONER SAULS** PERSONALLY EXPRESSED GRATITUDE TO THE STAFF AND TEAM THAT PUT TOGETHER TONIGHT'S SCHOOL PRESENTATION.

COMMISSIONER SAULS CONGRATULATED COMMISSIONER KING AND HER SON WILLIAM, WHO PLAYS LACROSSE FOR A.C. FLORA AND WHO HAS COMMITTED TO ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE IN PHILADELPHIA.

**COMMISSIONER KING** STATED THE LACROSSE PROGRAM AT FLORA IS ABOUT 20 YEARS OLD. WE TALK ABOUT EXPANDING SPORTS. A.C. FLORA DOES NOT WANT TO BE THE ONLY RICHLAND ONE SCHOOL TO HAVE LACROSSE. SHE ADDED THAT OTHER SCHOOLS WANT TO BUILD A LACROSSE PROGRAM, WE WILL FIND THE SUPPORT.

**COMMISSIONER BISHOP** RECOGNIZED CHAIRMAN DEVINE WHO IS ALSO SECRETARY/TREASURER FOR

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THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL BOARDS  
ASSOCIATION.

COMMISSONER BISHOP EXPRESSED GRATITUDE  
FOR THE WONDERFUL RECEPTION FROM THE  
YOUNG BOYS AS BOARD MEMBER ARRIVED AT THE  
MEETING. HE ADDED THAT THE EXCHANGE OF  
CONVERSATION FROM THE YOUNG BOYS WAS  
INCREDIBLE AND THOUGHT PROVOKING. HE  
THANKED THESE BOYS FOR BEING INSPIRED TO  
BECOME GREAT.

**COMMISSIONER ANDERSON** STATED THAT SHE  
ATTENDED THE CELEBRATION FOR DR. COLETRAIN  
OF W.A. PERRY ON HER BEING NAMED MIDDLE  
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR. SHE EXPRESSED  
GRATITUDE TO DR. RICHARDSON FOR HER  
LEADERSHIP AND NOTEABLY MENTIONED THE  
LEADER IN ME PROGRAM AND THE PRAYER WALK  
EVENT.

SHE EXPRESSED THANK YOU TO ALL TEACHERS  
AND EVERYONE FOR WHAT IS BEING DONE FOR  
MAKING RICHLAND ONE R1 STRONG.

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**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** PROVIDED HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE SCSBA CONFERENCE THAT WAS HELD THIS PAST WEEKEND.

RICHLAND ONE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS SIGNED THE SCSBA ANNUAL PLEDGE AND WERE ALL PRESENTED WITH PINS TO WEAR IN THE YEAR 2020. CHAIRMAN DEVINE READ THE PLEDGE FOR THE RECORD.

**BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS**

**OFFICE OF CHAIRPERSON**

COMMISSIONER BISHOP NOMINATED JAMIE DEVINE.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER BISHOP MOVED TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ANDERSON.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: CHAIRMAN DEVINE, MR. BISHOP, MRS. SAULS, MRS. HARRIS, MS. ANDERSON**

**IN OPPOSITION: MRS. KING (5-1)**

**OFFICE OF VICE CHAIRPERSON**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS NOMINATED AARON BISHOP.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS MOVED TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SAULS.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: CHAIRMAN DEVINE, MR. BISHOP, MRS. SAULS, MRS. HARRIS, MS. ANDERSON**

**IN OPPOSITION: MRS. KING (5-1)**

**OFFICE OF SECRETARY/ TREASURER**

COMMISSIONER BISHOP NOMINATED COMMISSIONER LILA ANNA SAULS.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS MOVED TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BISHOP.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: CHAIRMAN DEVINE, MR. BISHOP, MRS. SAULS, MRS. HARRIS, MS. ANDERSON**

**IN OPPOSITION: MRS. KING (5-1)**

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2018-2019 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCE  
REPORT (CAFR)

MS. MATHEWS-HAZEL STATED THE EXTERNAL AUDITORS HAVE PRESENTED THE ANNUAL AUDIT. THEY HAVE ISSUED THE DISTRICT A CLEAN AUDIT REPORT. THE REPORT HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO ALL THREE BOARD COMMITTEES.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BISHOP.

**DISCUSSION:**

**COMMISSIONER KING** STATED LOOKING AT THE DRAFT CAFR REPORT --

**MS. MATHEWS-HAZEL** STATED THIS IS FINAL NOW.

**COMMISSIONER KING** ASKED IF THE ORG. CHART IS RIGHT.

**MS. MATHEWS-HAZEL** RESPONDED WE HAVE MADE THAT CHANGE. YOU HAVE THE DRAFT. WE HAVE MADE THE FINAL CHANGES.

**COMMISSIONER KING** ASKED REGARDING THE ORG. CHART, ONE IS BOARD SERVICES; IS THAT RIGHT?

**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** STATED, “I DON’T THINK THAT IS GERMANE TO THE CAFR”

**COMMISSIONER KING** STATED, “IT’S IN HERE.”

**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** STATED. “I UNDERSTAND IT IS IN THERE. WE ARE HERE TO APPROVE THE CAFR TONIGHT.”

**COMMISSIONER KING** STATED, “THE APPROVAL IS BASED ON THE INFORMATION THAT IS PRESENTED TO US AND I HAVE A QUESTION. YOU DON’T WANT A STAFF TO ANSWER A COMMISSIONER’S –“

**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** RESPONDED “IF IT’S NOT RELATED TO THE SUBJECT, NO, MA’AM, THAT IS CORRECT.”

**COMMISSIONER KING** STATED, “I DON’T KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT. THIS IS ON THE CAFR. THE ORG. CHART IS IN THE CAFR. WHERE IS THE CONFLICT HERE? I AM GETTING TIRED OF THIS. I HAVE THE RIGHT TO HAVE THIS ANSWERED.”

**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** STATED, “I DON’T KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TIRED OF, BUT I AM JUST TELLING YOU IT IS NOT GERMANE TO THE SUBJECT.”

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**COMMISSIONER KING** STATED, “YOU SHOULD NOT CUT OFF THE CONVERSATION.”

**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** STATED, “I AM NOT CUTTING OFF THE CONVERSATION. IT’S NOT GERMANE. AS CHAIRPERSON, IT’S NOT GERMANE TO THE CONVERSATION.”

**COMMISSIONER HARRIS** CALLED FOR A POINT OF ORDER.

**COMMISSIONER KING** STATED, “THERE IS NO POINT OF ORDER.”

**COMMISSIONER HARRIS** STATED AS PARLIAMENTERIAN, “I CALL FOR A POINT OF ORDER.”

**COMMISSIONER KING** ASKED, “WHAT IS THE POINT OF ORDER?”

**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** STATED, “THE POINT OF ORDER IS THAT YOU ARE OUT OF ORDER.”

**COMMISSIONER KING** STATED, “I AM NOT.”

**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** STATED, “YOUR QUESTION IS NOT GERMANE TO THE SUBJECT.”

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CHAIRMAN DEVINE ASKED DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

**COMMISSIONER KING** ASKED WAS THE PRIOR ADJUSTMENTS MADE?

**MS. MATHEWS-HAZEL** RESPONDED THE FINANCIAL ADJUSTMENT WAS MADE.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: CHAIRMAN DEVINE, MR. BISHOP. MRS. SAULS, MRS. HARRIS AND MRS. KING**

**IN ABSTENTION: MS. ANDERSON (5-1)**

2020 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

MS. YORK PRESENTED THE 202 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM FOR APPROVAL.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SAULS.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

BOARD POLICY ADC, TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD POLICY DIE, AUDITS/

FINANCIAL MONITORING

BOARD POLICY EEAE, BUS SAFETY PROGRAM

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BOARD POLICY GBED, TOBACCO-FREE  
SCHOOLS/STAFF NO SMOKING

BOARD POLICY GCBE, ATHLETICS ASSIGNMENTS  
AND SUPPLEMENTARY PAY

BOARD POLICY GDQB, RESIGNATION OF STAFF

BOARD POLICY IHBF, MEDICAL HOMEBOUND  
INSTRUCTION

BOARD POLICY IJNDB, USE OF TECHNOLOGY  
RESOURCES IN INSTRUCTION

BOARD POLICY IKA, GRADING/ASSESSMENT  
SYSTEMS

BOARD POLICY JII, STUDENT CONCERNS,  
COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCES

BOARD POLICY JFAA, ADMISSION OF RESIDENT  
STUDENTS

BOARD POLICY JFAB, ADMISSION OF NON-  
RESIDENT STUDENTS

BOARD POLICY JFABC, STUDENT ASSIGNMENTS  
AND TRANSFERS

BOARD POLICY, JFABD, ADMISSION OF HOMELESS  
STUDENTS

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BOARD POLICY JLF, STUDENT WELFARE

BOARD POLICY JKD, SUSPENSION OF STUDENTS

BOARD POLICY KDC, DISTRICT-SPONSORED  
INFORMATION MEDIA

BOARD POLICY KLGA, SCHOOL RESOURCE  
OFFICERS

BOARD POLICY JICG, TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS

CHAIRMAN DEVINE READ POLICIES FOR THE  
RECORD. HE STATED THIS IS SECOND READING

**MOTION:**

MRS. HARRIS MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS  
SECONDED BY MRS. SAULS.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

**OFFICE OF THE**

RECEIPT OF LEGAL ADVICE PURSUANT TO

**SUPERINTENDENT:**

S.C. FOIA LAW

ATTORNEY WILLIAMS STATED INFORMATION WAS  
PRESENTED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

DR. WITHERSPOON STATED WE'VE HAD SOME  
EXCITING MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS SINCE OUR  
LAST BOARD MEETING:

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- LAST WEEK, W.A. PERRY MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, DR. ROBIN COLETRAIN WAS ANNOUNCED AS THE 2020 SOUTH CAROLINA MIDDLE LEVEL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS (SCASA).

HE CONGRATULATED DR. COLETRAIN. HE ADDED THAT WE LOOK FORWARD TO FORMALLY RECOGNIZING HER AT THE JANUARY 14 BOARD MEETING.

WE ARE PROUD TO HAVE TWO FINALISTS FOR THE PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR AWARDS. DR. LINDA NORTON, PRINCIPAL AT WATKINS-NANCE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, WAS ONE OF TWO FINALISTS STATEWIDE FOR ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR. HE CONGRATULATED DR. NORTON.

- SPEAKING OF WATKINS-NANCE, ON NOVEMBER 21 WE HELD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNITED WAY OF THE MIDLANDS TO MARK

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THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE RESILIENCY TEAM AT WATKINS-NANCE AS PART OF THE UNITED WAY'S RESILIENT RICHLAND INITIATIVE. THE INITIATIVE AIMS TO REDUCE THE STIGMA OF TRAUMA AND EQUIP INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO BUILD RESILIENCE AMONG CHILDREN AND YOUTH WHO EXPERIENCE TRAUMATIC INCIDENTS, REFERRED TO AS ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES (ACES).

WE PARTNER WITH THE UNITED WAY OF THE MIDLANDS.

- WE ARE WORKING WITH COMMUNITY AND FAMILIES TO HELP TO LITIGATE SOME OF THESE CASES THAT ARE HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITIES. IT IS GRATIFYING TO KNOW THAT WE HAVE INDIVIDUALS IN THE COMMUNITY THAT RECOGNIZE THAT AND WORK WITH US TO PUT RESOURCES IN PLACE.

DR. WITHERSPOON REPORTED THAT WE'VE ALSO RECENTLY (NOVEMBER 19) HELD THE RICHLAND

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ONE MAGNET FAIR AT HEYWARD CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER. PARENTS AND STUDENTS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT THE DISTRICT'S 12 MAGNET PROGRAMS, INCLUDING MONTESSORI, LANGUAGE IMMERSION, CAREER MAGNETS AND THE VIRTUAL SCHOOL PROGRAM.

ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, WE WILL BEGIN TAKING APPLICATIONS ONLINE FOR OUR MAGNET PROGRAMS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR. ALL RICHLAND ONE STUDENTS, REGARDLESS OF THEIR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ZONE, MAY APPLY TO ENROLL IN A MAGNET PROGRAM WITHIN THE DISTRICT, UNLESS THE PROGRAM IS DESIGNATED AS ONE THAT IS ZONED FOR CERTAIN ATTENDANCE AREAS. ADMISSION IS BASED ON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS, WHICH MAY INCLUDE ATTENDING AN INFORMATION SESSION AND MEETING QUALIFYING CRITERIA. HE ADDED THAT FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE MAGNET PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS, INCLUDING DATES AND

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TIMES OF UPCOMING PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS, GO TO OUR WEBSITE (RICHLANDONE.ORG).

HE ENCOURAGED EVERYONE TO SAVE THE DATE AND MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND OUR 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL RICHLAND ONE HALL OF FAME INDUCTION GALA, WHICH WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 AT THE COLUMBIA METROPOLITAN CONVENTION CENTER. THE RED CARPET RECEPTION WILL BEGIN AT 5 P.M. AND THE PROGRAM WILL BEGIN AT 6 P.M. THIS YEAR'S INDUCTEES ARE JUDGE MILDRED WEATHERS MCDUFFIE AND DR. LONNIE RANDOLPH, JR. GALA TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED FROM THE OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS, WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE STEVENSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1616 RICHLAND STREET. TICKETS ALSO MAY BE PURCHASED ONLINE AT RICHLANDONE.ORG. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 231-7504.

DR. WITHERSPOON THANKED THE 25 PLUS RICHLAND ONE ADMINISTRATORS AND

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INDIVIDUALS FROM OUR STUDENT SUPPORT OFFICE THAT CAME OUT LAST SATURDAY HELPING THE COLUMBIA ROTARY WITH OVER 10,000 MEAL PACKS THAT WOULD BENEFIT STUDENT AND PARENTS IN OUR RICHLAND ONE DISTRICT. THANKS TO ALL THAT CONTINUE TO GO ABOVE AND BEYOND TO HELP OUR FAMILIES.

DR. WITHERSPOON NOTED THAT HE VISITED PENDERGRAS FAIRWOLD TODAY. HE RECOGNIZED TWO OF OUR STUDENTS RITA AND JAMES WHO MADE CARDBOARD FURNITURE. THERE WAS ANOTHER GROUP OF STUDENTS THAT MADE NECKLACES AND BRACELETS. DR. WITHERSPOON ACKNOWLEDGED THE STAFF FOR DOING AN OUTSTANDING JOB.

DR. WITHERSPOON ANNOUNCED THAT THIS IS OUR LAST REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING BEFORE WINTER BREAK. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 WILL BE THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS. FRIDAY, JANUARY 3 IS A WORKDAY FOR TEACHERS AND OTHER DESIGNATED STAFF;

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STUDENTS WILL NOT ATTEND SCHOOL THAT DAY.  
CLASSES WILL RESUME MONDAY, JANUARY 6.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE. PLEASE ENJOY  
YOUR TIME WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS, AND  
PLEASE BE SAFE IN YOUR TRAVELS.

**DISCUSSION:**

**COMMISSIONER HARRIS** STATED SOMETIME AGO  
A SURVEY WAS PROVIDED OF INFORMATION ONCE  
STUDENTS GRADUATES AND WHAT THEY ARE  
DOING. SHE ASKED DO WE STILL DO THAT.

**DR. COLEMAN** RESPONDED WE DID ATTEMPT TO  
DO A SURVEY AFTER STUDENTS GRADUATED, FOUR  
OR FIVE YEARS OUT. WE ARE REQUIRED TO  
SURVEY ALL OF OUR EXITING SENIORS. WE  
COORDINATE THROUGH STUDENT SUPPORT  
SERVICES, GUIDANCE COUSELORS. THIS IS MORE  
ABOUT THEIR INTENT OF WHERE THEY ARE GOING.

**COMMISSIONER HARRIS** STATED I DON'T THINK IT  
IS THE EXIT SURVEY. IT IS FINDING OUT ABOUT THE  
COLLEGE GRADUATE, MILITARY, CAREERS, AND  
THINGS OF THAT NATURE.

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**DR. COLEMAN** RESPONDED THAT ATTEMPT YIELDED ABOUT 65 PERCENT OF THOSE CAME BACK WITH DIFFICULTY REGARDING ADDRESSES.

**COMMISSIONER HARRIS** SUGGESTED ASKING THE STUDENTS UPON GRADUATION IF THEY WOULD WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS TYPE OF SURVEY. SHE STATED THIS INFORMATION IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US AND IS IMPORTANT TO TELL THE STORY.

**OFFICE OF ACADEMICS:**

**NEW COURSE SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS**

MS. JENNINGS STATED DURING THE DISTRICT'S BOARD COMMITTEE NEW COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR WERE PRESENTED. WE RECOMMEND THREE COURSES: CURRENT EVENTS, FOREIGN POLICIES AND STUDENTS ESSENTIALS FOR SUCCESS. SHE ADDED THAT IF APPROVED, THESE COURSES WILL BECOME A PART OF THE DISTRICT'S MASTER COURSE CATALOG AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS TO TAKE DURING THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

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**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER BISHOP MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARRIS

**DISCUSSION:**

**COMMISSIONER SAULS** REFERENCED THE STUDENTS ESSENTIALS FOR SUCCESS AND ASKED IS THAT WHAT THEY CALL AT USC, UNIVERSITY 101, LIFE SKILLS.

**MS. JENNINGS** RESPONDED IT IS VERY SIMILAR TO THAT AND ALSO WHAT WE REFER TO AS IT101. AND THIS WILL BE FOR NINTH THROUGH 12 GRADERS. SOME OF THE TOPICS WILL BE VERY SIMILAR.

**COMMISSIONER BISHOP** ASKED WILL THESE ALL REQUIRE CERTIFIED INSTRUCTORS.

**MS. JENNINGS** RESPONDED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF STUDENT ESSENTIALS FOR SUCCESS.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

**2019 ACT-SAT-AP-IB**

DR. COLEMAN AND DR. BROSSARD PRESENTED A POWERPOINT ON THE 2029 ACT-SAT-AP-IP.

**OFFICE OF**  
**OPERATIONS:**

**CITY OF COLUMBIA EASEMENT**

MR. PERKINS STATED THE ADMINISTRATION IS REQUESTING YOUR APPROVAL FOR THE EASEMENT FROM THE CITY OF COLUMBIA FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE PROPERTY AT GIBBES MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND CURRENT MAINTENANCE OF A SEWER DRAIN SYSTEM.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER HARRIS MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BISHOP.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

**OLYMPIA CORNERSTONES**

MR. PERKINS STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DONATING THE CORNERSTONES THAT WERE PART OF THE ORIGINAL SCHOOL AFTER A FIRE AROUND 2002-2003. THERE IS A MUSEUM THAT IS LOCATED AT THE CENTER OF ASSEMBLY STREET AND BLUFF ROAD THAT IS ADJACENT TO THE SCHOOL.

THIS WILL BE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO  
SHOWCASE THE CORNERSTONES TO PEOPLE IN THE  
COMMUNITY AND BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON MOVED FOR  
APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY  
COMMISSIONER SAULS

**DISCUSSION:**

**COMMISSIONER HARRIS** ASKED IS THERE AN  
ADMISSION FEE TO THAT MUSEUM?

**MR. PERKINS** RESPONDED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW.

**DR. WITHERPOON** STATED WE WILL RESEARCH  
THAT.

**COMMISSIONER KING** ASKED ARE YOU  
REPLACING THE CORNERSTONE?

**MR. PERKINS** RESPONDED WE PUT IN A NEW  
PLAQUE THAT IDENTIFIES INFORMATION ABOUT  
THE SCHOOL.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

**OFFICE OF**

**HUMAN RESOURCES:**

**PERSONNEL/HR UPDATES**

DR. LONG STATED THE PERSONNEL AND HR UPDATES WERE PROVIDED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM.

**RECOMMENDATION FOR TERMINATION OF  
EMPLOYMENT**

DR. LONG STATED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT.

**MOTION:**

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SAULS

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

**HIRING OF PERSONNEL**

DR. LONG STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THE HIRING OF ALL THE TEACHERS ON THE ATTACHED LIST FOR THE 2019-2020 ACADEMIC YEAR. THERE ARE SIX TEACHERS LISTED.

**MOTION:**

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**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**

**CHAIRMAN DEVINE** NOTE THE RETIRING OF COURT  
RECORDER, BARBARA CHEESEBORO AND  
EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR HER SERVICES.

**COMMISSIONER HARRIS** PROVIDED A DISMISSAL  
CHRISTMAS MESSAGE.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

CHAIRMAN DEVINE ADJOURNED THE MEETING  
9:30 P.M.

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CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SCHOOL  
COMMISSIONERS

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SECRETARY/TREASURER, BOARD OF  
SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

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