MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

RICHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

CRAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

MRS. CHERYL HARRIS, CHAIRWOMAN

MR. JAMIE DEVINE, PARLIAMENTARIAN

MR. DWAYNE SMILING

MR. AARON BISHOP

MRS. BEATRICE KING

MR. DARRELL BLACK

MRS. LILA ANNA SAULS

REPORTED BY
BARBARA D.B. CHEESEBORO
1103 PINECROFT DRIVE
WEST COLUMBIA, S.C. 29170
MINUTES
CRAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL
5000 CLEMSON AVENUE
COLUMBIA, SC  29206
HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017
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 RECORD WILL ALSO SHOW THAT THE CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS CALLED FOR A MOTION TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION TO DISCUSS SEVERAL ISSUES: (1) LEGAL STATUS REPORT; (2); PERSONNEL/HR UPDATES; (3-5) ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS ; (6-7) LEAVE OF ABSENCE; (8) CONTRACT EXTENSION: EARLY WARNING SOFTWARE SOLUTION; (9) ANTI-VIRUS SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE; (10) BOARD REPORT; (11) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY DB, ANNUAL
BUDGET; (12) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY DDB, ONLINE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGNS/CROWDFUNDING; (13) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY DGA, AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES; (14) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY DJB, EXPENSES (TRAVEL) REIMBURSEMENT; (16) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY EI, WORKERS’ COMPENSATION; (17) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GA, PERSONNEL GOALS/PRIORITY OBJECTIVES; (18) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GAL, SALARY DEDUCTIONS; (19) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GALA, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS; (20) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBA, OPEN HIRING/EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION; (21) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBAA, SEXUAL HARRASSMENT; (22) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBB, INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION-MAKING; (23) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBC, STAFF COMPENSATION; (24) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBE, CERTIFIED STAFF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES; (25) FIRST
REVIEW OF POLICY GBEB, STAFF CONDUCT; (26) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBEBA, STAFF DRESS CODE; (27) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBEBC, GIFTS AND SOLICITATIONS BY STAFF; (28) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBEBDA, CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS; (29) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBEC, DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS; (30) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBC, STAFF WELFARE/PROTECTION (INCLUDING LEGAL AND MEDICAL AID); (31) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBGA, HEALTH EXAMINATIONS; (32) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBJ, PERSONNEL RECORDS AND FILES; (33) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GCB, CERTIFIED STAFF CONTRACTS AND COMPENSATION; (34) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GCC/GDC, STAFF LEAVES AND ABSENCES; (35) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GCE, STAFF RECRUITMENT; (36) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GCF, STAFF HIRING: ADMINISTRATIVE AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT; (37) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF
POLICY GCN CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE SEPARATION  
(TERMINATION EMPLOYMENT); (38) FIRST  
READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GCOA,  
EVALUATION OF STAFF; FIRST READING  
APPROVAL OF POLICY GCQF, DISCIPLINE,  
SUSPENSION, AND DISMISSAL OF CERTIFIED  
STAFF; (39) FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY  
GDBC, STAFF OVERTIME; (40) FIRST READING  
APPROVAL OF POLICY JICI, WEAPONS IN SCHOOLS;  
(41) AR DJ-R EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; (42)  
SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT; (43) SUMMER CAMPS  
PROGRAMS AND ACADEMIC SESSIONS; (44)  
ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT: CRAYTON MIDDLE  
SCHOOL; (45) CONTRACT: FINANCIAL ADVISOR  
SERVICES; (46) CONTRACT: FLYWHEEL UPS  
NETWORK EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION.

**CALL TO ORDER:**  
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET AT CRAYTON  
MIDDLE SCHOOL, ON TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017.  
CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS CALLED THE MEETING TO  
ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:**  
CHAIRWOMAN CHERYL HARRIS, MR. DWAYNE  
SMILING, MR. AARON BISHOP, MR. JAMIE DEVINE,  
MRS. BEATRICE KING, MR. DARRELL BLACK,
MRS. LILA ANNA SAULS.

INVOCATION: REVEREND WENDELL SIMS, OF SAMARIA BAPTIST CHURCH, GAVE THE INVOCATION.

AGENDA ADOPTION:

MOTION: MR. BISHOP MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. DEVINE.

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

SCHOOL PRESENTATION: MRS. KING GAVE THE SCHOOL HISTORY FOR CRAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL.

SUSAN CHILDS, PRINCIPAL, HIGHLIGHTED THE RECIPE FOR CRAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL’S SUCCESS.

SHE INTRODUCED FACULTY AND STAFF, PARENTS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, PTO AND SIC MEMBERS.

CRAYTON JAZZ BAND AND CHORUS PROVIDED MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT. SONG PERFORMED BY CHORUS EXEMPLIFIED CRAYTON’S MISSION STATEMENT.

SCHOOL BOARD MR. DEVINE GAVE THE SCHOOL BOARD SPOTLIGHT:

SPOTLIGHT FOR THE APRIL 4, 2017 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: GAIL COLE REQUESTED THE BOARD TO ASK
THE S.C. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR A P.E. CREDIT WAIVER.

CONSENT AGENDA:

CONTRACT EXTENSION: EARLY WARNING SOFTWARE SOLUTION

CONTRACT EXTENSION: ANTI-VIRUS SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE

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VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

OFFICE OF THE BOARD REPORT

CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS STATED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPENDS A GREAT DEAL OF VALUABLE TIME WITH STUDENTS THROUGH CHAT WITH THE CHAIR EFFORTS, LUNCH BUDDIES, READING TO THE STUDENTS, SOMETIMES EVEN RECESS WITH THE STUDENTS. WE SERVE THEM ON TOP OF OUR NORMAL RESPONSIBILITY TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

SHE ADDED THAT THE DISTRICT IS GETTING READY TO THE CLOSE OUT THE SCHOOL YEAR, BUT AT THE SAME TIME WE ARE ALSO WORKING TO OPEN SCHOOLS IN AUGUST. WE HAVE STARTED ON OUR BUDGET PROCESS.
SHE STATED THAT COMMISSIONER KING, SAULS AND HERSELF HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE PART OF 100 FABULOUS LADIES AT HORRELL HILL. OURSELVES ALONG WITH ABOUT 97 OTHER WOMEN FROM ACROSS RICHLAND ONE COMMUNITY COME AN HOUR TO READ TO OUR STUDENTS.

SHE EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FROM THE BOARD TO EVERY WOMAN THAT READS TO STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT.

**MR. BISHOP** RECOGNIZED EVA WILSON (SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE BOARD), MOTHER OF A’JA WILSON, MOST OUTSTANDING PLAYER FOR THE S.C. LADY GAMECOCKS.

**BOARD POLICIES**

**CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS** STATED THE FOLLOWING POLICIES HAS BEEN VETTED THROUGH COMMITTEES

**ATTORNEY WILLIAMS** READ IN POLICIES AS FOLLOWS:

**FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY DB, ANNUAL BANQUET;**

**FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY DDB, ONLINE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGNS/**
CROWDFUNDING;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY DGA, AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY DJB, EXPENSES (TRAVEL) REIMBURSMENT;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY EI, WORKERS’ COMPENSATION;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GA, PERSONNEL GOALS/PRIORITY OBJECTIVES;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GAL, SALARY DEDUCTIONS;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GALA, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBA, OPEN HIRING/EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION;
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FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBEBDA, CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS;
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FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GBJ, PERSONNEL RECORDS AND FILES;
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FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GCN, CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE SEPARATION (TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT);
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GCOA, EVALUATION OF STAFF;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GCQF, DISCIPLINE, SUSPENSION, AND DISMISSAL OF CERTIFIED STAFF;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY GDBC, STAFF OVERTIME;
FIRST READING APPROVAL OF POLICY JICI, WEAPONS IN SCHOOLS;

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AR DJ-R EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS

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ATTORNEY WILLIAMS STATED THIS IS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT: DR. WITHERSPOON STATED WE CAN’T EMPHASIZE ENOUGH THE IMPORTANCE OF READING. TODAY (TUESDAY, APRIL 4), RICHLAND ONE STUDENTS AND STAFF WERE AMONG THE THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS, EDUCATORS, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS FROM ACROSS THE STATE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE 2017 SC READ-IN AT THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE HOUSE. THE EVENT, WHICH IS IN ITS 26TH YEAR, IS DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE A LOVE FOR READING AMONG CHILDREN OF ALL AGES.

DR. WITHERSPOON REPORTED THAT ON FRIDAY, (APRIL 7), OUR INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES TEAM IS ASKING ALL RICHLAND ONE STUDENTS, EMPLOYEES AND VISITORS TO “DROP EVERYTHING AND READ” BY STOPPING THEIR REGULAR ACTIVITIES AND READING SILENTLY FOR 15 MINUTES FROM 1:30 – 1:45 P.M. THE NATIONAL DROP EVERYTHING AND READ CELEBRATION OF...
READING AIMS TO REMIND CHILDREN AND ADULTS TO MAKE READING A PRIORITY ACTIVITY IN THEIR LIVES.

DR. WITHERSPOON STATED THAT OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IS HOLDING ANOTHER INFORMATION SESSION FOR PARENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN REGISTERING THEIR CHILDREN IN OUR PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR. THE INFORMATION SESSION WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 18 AT NOON AT THE OLYMPIA PROFESSIONAL LEARNING CENTER, 621 BLUFF ROAD. PARENTS DO NOT NEED TO BRING ANY REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS TO THE MEETING. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 231-6709.

DR. WITHERSPOON REPORTED THAT ON YESTERDAY (MONDAY, APRIL 3), WE KICKED OFF OUR 20-DAY TWITTER CHALLENGE, WHICH WILL RUN THROUGH APRIL 28. THERE WILL BE A DIFFERENT QUESTION POSTED ON OUR TWITTER FEED @RICHLAND ONE) EACH DAY, INCLUDING DURING SPRING BREAK. TODAY’S QUESTION WAS “WHO IS/WAS YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER AND
WHY?” AND TOMORROW’S QUESTION IS “WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR THE CLASS OF 2017?” THURSDAY IS THROWBACK THURSDAY, SO WE ARE CHALLENGING EVERYONE TO PULL OUT AND POST THEIR OLD SCHOOL PHOTOS. TWITTER CHALLENGE PARTICIPANTS SHOULD USE THE HASTAG #R1CHALLENGE IN THEIR TWEETS. FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO WWW.RICHLANDONE.ORG.

DR. WITHERSPOON STATED THAT HE DID TWEET OUT HIS CHEMISTRY TEACHER IN HIGH SCHOOL, MRS. JONES, WHO PUSHED HIM AND INSPIRED HIM. RICHLAND ONE SCHOOLS AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED APRIL 10-14 FOR SPRING BREAK. REGULAR SCHEDULES WILL RESUME ON MONDAY, APRIL 17. I HOPE THAT EVERYONE HAS A SAFE, RELAXING AND ENJOYABLE SPRING BREAK.

DR. WITHERSPOON ANNOUNCED THAT ON THE WEBSITE, WE ARE DOING AN EARLY DISMISSAL TOMORROW FOR THE PENDING INCLEMENT WEATHER
CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS STATED HER FAVORITE TEACHER WAS DR. PRINCE, WHO IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED WITH RICHLAND ONE.

MRS. SAULS STATED ALL TEACHERS TEACHING IN RICHLAND ONE IS EXCEPTIONAL.

MR. BISHOP STATED HIS FAVORITE TEACHER WAS MARY ABLES AT VIRGINIA PACK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

MR. BLACK STATED HIS FAVORITE MATH TEACHER WAS MARY YOUNG, WHO HAS A DAUGHTER EMPLOYED WITH RICHLAND ONE.

MR. DEVINE STATED HIS FAVORITE TEACHER WAS HIS SIX GRADE TEACHER MS. THOMAS.

CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS ENCOURAGED STAFF TO THINK ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE DOING EVERY DAY THAT WILL HAVE AN IMPACT FOR A LIFETIME.

LEGAL STATUS REPORT
Attorney Williams stated information was presented during executive session on status of legal matters in the district.

SUMMER CAMPS PROGRAMS AND ACADEMIC SESSIONS

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DR. COOPER PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE DISTRICT’S 2017 SUMMER CAMPS PROGRAM AND ACADEMIC SESSIONS THAT HAS BEEN PULLED TOGETHER UNDER THE SUMMER SOAR UMBRELLA.

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL/HR UPDATE

HUMAN RESOURCES:

DR. COUSAR STATED THERE WERE TWO ITEMS UNDER THE PERSONNEL UPDATES: THE FIRST WAS THE CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL CONCERNS; THE SECOND WAS INFORMATION ITEM ON ADMINISTRATIVE REASSIGNMENT. THIS WILL BE FOR DR. EUNICE WILLIAMS, PRINCIPAL OF BROCKMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. SHE WENT FROM INTERIM DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS IN THE AREA OF TEACHING AND LEARNING.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

DR. COUSAR STATED EIGHT EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN IN AN ACTING CAPACITY DURING THE YEAR ACCORDING TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULE GCF. EMPLOYEES CAN BE ACTING FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS. THESE PERSON ARE BEING REMOVED FROM THE ACTING STATUS INTO PERMANENT STATUS. SO THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THE APPOINTMENT IN A PERMANENT CAPACITY TO
THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES: DR. JEFFREY MULLINS, DIRECTOR OF CERTIFIED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES; DR. ROBIN COLETRAIN, PRINCIPAL OF W.A. PERRY MIDDLE SCHOOL; MS. CHANDRA HALL, PRINCIPAL OF CARVER MILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; DR. TRACY PICKETT, PRINCIPAL OF PINEGROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; DR. HARMON, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT SOUTHEAST MIDDLE SCHOOL; MR. THOMAS TURNER, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT W.G. SANDERS MIDDLE SCHOOL; MR. RODNEY EVANS, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT CARVER LYON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL; MS. WENDY FANNING, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT SOUTH KILBOURNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

MOTION:

MR. BISHOP MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MRS. KING.

VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

DR. COUSAR STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPOINTMENT OF MS. SANDY BROSSARD FOR THE POSITION OF TEACHING AND LEARNING, EFFECTIVE JULY 3, 2017. MS. BROSSARD IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS THE DIRECTOR OF
ASSESSMENT FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT IN BERKELEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT. THE
MOTION: MRS. KING MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. SMILING.
VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS
DR. COUSAR STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THE APPOINTMENT OF MS. CANDICE BOWMAN TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES, EFFECTIVE APRIL 17. MS. BOWMAN IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS ACTIVE COORDINATOR OF I.T.S.

MOTION: MR. BISHOP MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. BLACK.
VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE
DR. COUSAR STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THIS NON PAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR THE EMPLOYEE FOR MEDICAL REASONS.

MOTION: MRS. KING MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED BY MR. SAULS.
VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (7-0)
LEAVE OF ABSENCE

DR. COUSAR STATED THE ADMINISTRATION IS RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE LEAVE OF ABSENCE AS REQUESTED FOR THE TEACHER FOR STUDY AS PRESENTED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MOTION:

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OFFICE OF ACADEMICS:

ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT: CRAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

MS. BURNS PROVIDED A POWERPOINT PRESENTATION HIGHLIGHTING THE ACADEMIC AREAS OF CRAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL. SOME OF THE ACADEMIC AREAS MENTIONED: SOUTH CAROLINA HAS ESTABLISHED A STATEWIDE READING POLICY, READ TO SUCCEED ACT. CRAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL HAS ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE TO IMPROVE THE READING SKILLS FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT READING AT THEIR GRADE LEVEL EXPECTATIONS;

THE LITERACY COMMITTEE DETERMINED THAT 30 EXTRA MINUTES OF READING INSTRUCTIONAL
DAILY WOULD BE DELIVERED TO ALL OF OUR STUDENTS AT ALL LEVELS.

**MR. BLACK** ASKED WHAT IS THE ACTUAL OVERALL MAKEUP OF THE GROUP?

**MS. BURNS** RESPONDED MALES AND FEMALES ARE TOGETHER; WE ARE ACTUALLY DOING THIS OUT OF GRADE LEVEL EQUIVALENCY.

**MR. BLACK** ASKED HOW MANY MALES?

**MS. BURNS** RESPONDED IN THE LOWER LEVEL CLASSES WE HAVE ABOUT SEVEN STUDENTS. AS THEY INCREASE IN GRADE LEVEL EQUIVALENCY, WE HAVE MORE STUDENTS. WE MAY GET UP TO 28.

OUR ENTIRE FACULTY, EVERY AVAILABLE ADULT IS PARTICIPATING.

**OFFICE OF OPERATIONS:**

MR. HARDISON STATED THE ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING CONTRACTS:

**CONTRACT: FINANCIAL ADVISOR SERVICES**

**CONTRACT: FLYWHEEL UPS NETWORK EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION**

**MOTION:**

MRS. KING MOVED FOR APPROVAL AND WAS SECONDED MRS. SAULS.

**VOTE: IN FAVOR: UNANIMOUS (6-0)**
MR. DEVINE ABSTENTION

CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS ASKED THE DISTRICT TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT SOLAR ENERGY.

MR. CARLON RESPONDED WE HAVE HAD SOME CONVERSATIONS WITH COMPANIES AND STILL LOOKING AT THAT.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

CHAIRWOMAN HARRIS ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 9:05 P.M.

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CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

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SECRETARY/TREASURER, BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS