

MARION COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
MARION SCHOOL DISTRICT CONFERENCE ROOM
719 North Main Street – Marion, South Carolina 29571

April 1, 2025

11:30 am

Board Members Present: Mrs. Nadine Foxworth, Mr. Kevin Dozier, Mrs. Patricia Atkinson, Ms. Ogleretta White, Mr. Derrick Weeks and Mr. Donnie Hill.

Call to Order & Notification of Board Workshop: Mrs. Foxworth called the board meeting to order. Under the S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80 (d) as amended, the local media was notified of the meeting's time, date, and place. Ms. Deciera Gause stated that the media was notified of the meeting and a copy of the agenda was also provided.

Invocation: Dr. Mark Bunch gave the invocation.

Welcome to Staff and Visitors Present: Mrs. Foxworth welcomed everyone to the April 1, 2025, Special Called Meeting.

Establishment of Quorum: Mrs. Foxworth verified that a quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda: Mrs. Foxworth requested a motion to approve the April 1, 2025 agenda. Mr. Weeks moved, seconded by Ms. White and the vote passed. (Mrs. Foxworth, Mrs. Atkinson, Ms. White, Mr. Dozier, Mr. Weeks and Mr. Hill).

Lunch and Learn (Office of School Transformation): Mrs. Angela Jacobs gave a brief biography of herself. She then gave the goals and objectives of the Office of School Transformation for MCSD. The board asked questions during this time. Dr. Bethea responded accordingly.

Legal Services Interviews: Mrs. Foxworth gave directives. Each firm was allowed to introduce itself and give a brief description. The board asked questions during the interviews. Firms present: White & Story, LLC, Halligan Mahoney & Williams, P.A., Boykin & Davis, LLC, Richardson Plowden Attorneys at Law and Duff, Freeman, Seibert Attorneys and Counselors at Law.

Student Transfers: Dr. Bethea presented Student Transfers and Releases to the Board for approval. Mrs. Foxworth asked for a motion to approve the request. Ms. White moved, seconded by Mr. Dozier and the vote passed. (Mrs. Foxworth, Mr. Hill, Mrs. Atkinson, Mr. Dozier, Ms. White, and Mr. Weeks)

Executive Session: Mrs. Foxworth requested a motion to go into executive session. Mrs. Atkinson moved, seconded by Mr. Dozier to approve this request; and the Board voted unanimously to approve. (Mrs. Foxworth, Mr. Dozier, Mrs. Atkinson, Ms. White, Mr. Hill, and Mr. Weeks).

Open Session: Mrs. Foxworth requested a motion to come out of executive session. Mr. Weeks moved, seconded by Mrs. Atkinson to come out of executive session back into open session; and the Board voted unanimously to approve. (Mrs. Foxworth, Mr. Dozier, Mrs. Atkinson, Mr. Hill, Ms. White, and Mr. Weeks).

Mrs. Foxworth stated that no action was taken in the executive session.

Adjournment: Mrs. Foxworth requested a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Atkinson moved, seconded by Mr. Hill to approve this request; and the vote was unanimous (Mrs. Foxworth, Mr. Dozier, Mr. Hill, Mrs. Atkinson, Mr. Weeks, and Ms. White). The meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.