

# Charter Day School



## Charter Day School Board of Trustees

Minutes of the Board Meeting

4 PM; Thursday June 30, 2011 Activity Center

Attendance	Trustees: Bill Barker Mark Cramer Baker Mitchell Donnie Norris Steve Windham  Mark Dudeck, Assist. Treasurer Brad Barth, Dir. Pub. Info. Steve Smith, CCS Headmaster Eric Irisary, Asst. Headmaster CDS
Executive Session 4:14	After brief discussion, Steve moved, with Donnie's second, to reject the settlement offer of Brunswick County as presented to Shanahan Law Group in Raleigh and to approve moving the suits to Shipman and Wright in Wilmington. The motion was unanimously approved.
Call to Order	Donnie called the meeting to order at 4:32 PM with a quorum of 5 present.
Review of Present & Future Agenda Items	No changes
Approval of Minutes	The April minutes were reviewed and on motion by Steve, seconded by Bill, they were approved as written.
Communications To/From Board	None.
RBA Report	General Items:  Baker noted that complaints had been filed in all counties after unsuccessful attempts at collection where the schools' accountants had documented non-compliance with the imbursement statute.  He noted the passage of SB8: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• SB8 lifts the cap but changes SBE approval of qualified applicants from being mandatory to optional. The SBE can now keep the cap in place at their discretion.</li><li>• SB8 grants schools the right the increase enrollments by 20% each year without SBE approval. SB8 is silent on facility increases.</li><li>• SB8 overrides the approved performance criteria of each awarded charter and places a uniform 60% performance composite criteria on all schools regardless of population being served or start-up status.</li></ul>

	<p>Mark Cramer summarized the academic achievement of the schools, both of which continued gains over last year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDS 85.6% composite and met growth</li> <li>• CCS 84.01% composite and met high growth</li> </ul> <p>Mark discussed his attendance at the National Charter Conference in Atlanta.</p> <p>He noted visits to the school by area district personnel regarding cooperative efforts, and subsequent follow-up meetings which were very positive. Additional meetings have been scheduled.</p> <p>Mark next discussed cooperation with parent groups seeking to establish bus routes. Because of both costs and liabilities, the sense was to cooperate wherever possible but that the operations should be run by the parent groups as had been successfully done at Columbus.</p> <p>Finally, Mark moved that the Board authorize Acadia Northstar to represent the schools and file applications for Title I federal grants on our behalf. Bill seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.</p> <p>Next Mark Dudeck presented the revised 2011-2012 CDS budget which was anticipating a 7% state cut and a 2.5% county cut. Since no official notifications had been received about reimbursements and it was unknown what effect gas prices would have on actual enrollment, the accuracy of the budget could not be assessed. Donnie moved to accept the budget as submitted with qualifications and this motion was seconded by Bill. The motion carried with Baker and Mark abstaining.</p> <p>Similarly, the CCS budget for 2011-2012 was presented and discussed with similar reservations about its accuracy. Donnie moved and Steve Windham second the CCS budget which was approved which Baker and Mark abstaining.</p>
<p>CDS- "School of Distinction" "High Growth"</p>	<p>Eric reported that with the slight increase in student count only two new teachers had been hired. The new computer lab would be ready soon after school opened. Due to the increased Exceptional Children enrollment, they were being given the art room in addition to their existing classrooms. Art is moving into the band room. All music, chorus and band will now be together occupying one building. The ham radio club was being given a small room of its own so alleviate having to share space in a classroom.</p> <p>Eric announced that all placement testing for new students – K and transfers – had been completed and rosters were being prepared.</p>
<p>CCS "School of Distinction" "High Growth"</p>	<p>Steve Smith reported that the new buildings would be getting their CO's shortly and be ready for the new year.</p> <p>He reported he had lost 6 students from Clarkton, but had 610 accepted for the new year. His wait lists were short but he felt confident that he would have the 595 students for which he had budgeted. He was bringing on nine new employees to replace some teachers who had left and to accommodate the student increase of adding 6<sup>th</sup> grade. He would have 22 classes of students for the new year.</p>

	He also said that the middle school project was still on schedule with the septic system and all roads being nearly completed. There were no foreseeable problems that would prevent having the facility ready for next years' 6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup> grades.
Old Business	none
New Business	On a motion by Donnie and seconded by Steve, the board ratified the actions taken with Mark and Baker abstaining.
Adjournment	Donnie adjourned the meeting at 5:23PM.