WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES’ CALLED MEETING
Board/Staff Development Meeting Room
423 School Street – Kingstree, SC 29556
Monday, December 12, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.

Mission Statement
In partnership with all stakeholders, Williamsburg County School District will ensure a world class education for all students by utilizing a rigorous, innovative curriculum that focuses on creativity, critical thinking and problem solving.

Vision Statement
Williamsburg County School District will prepare students for college, careers and citizenship.

PUBLIC NOTICE
In compliance with Section 30-4-10 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, all of the media in the immediate area have been notified of the date, time, and place of this meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. MOMENT OF SILENCE
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
5. INFORMATION ITEM
A. South Carolina Health and Safety Education Standards – Online Public Review
The South Carolina Health and Safety Education Standards are now available for public review and feedback through an online field review survey. The development process established provides an opportunity to ensure South Carolina’s high quality standards are based on current research and best practices and meet the varied educational needs of our state’s students.

The link to the online survey is included below. More detailed information regarding the organization of the standards, as well as the process for submitting feedback, is included in the draft standards and the below link. Everyone is invited to review the draft standards and provide feedback using the online form below by January 20, 2017.

The draft standards can be accessed using this link:
http://ed.sc.gov/instruction/standards-learning/health-education/standards/

The public review feedback form can be accessed using this link:
https://scde.formstack.com/fcrms/schsesstandardspublicreview

B. Williamsburg County School District to Acquire Virtual School
WCSD is acquiring the State Department of Education’s Virtual School Program. The Office of Curriculum and Instruction will use the Virtual School to decrease the number of students currently
enrolled in courses with non-certified teachers, to improve homebound and homebased instruction, and to expand the number of advanced courses offered throughout the district.

C. Critical Need Teacher Incentive
All secondary math, science and special education teachers have been designated to receive a $1,500 (minus fringes and taxes) critical need teacher incentive. This incentive is being provided by the South Carolina Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention and Advancement (CERRA), under the Rural Teacher Recruiting Incentives/FY16 PROVISO 1A.73. This is designed to encourage our teachers to remain and grow with the school district for the future of education in Williamsburg County School District.

6. ACTION ITEM
A. Hemingway M. B. Lee Middle School’s Field Trip Request
Hemingway M. B. Lee Middle School’s Honor Students and Jr. Beta Club Students have requested a field trip to Myrtle Beach, SC, January 12-13, 2017, to participate in the National Jr. Beta Club Convention. Students will leave Hemingway at 6:00 a.m. on January 12, 2017, and return at 5:00 p.m. on January 13, 2017. Students will be transported on the District’s Activity Bus. The student/teacher ratio has been met. The administration recommends approval.

B. Office of Special Services’ Travel Guidelines
Williamsburg County School District’s Office of Special Services reimburses contracted transportation services according to State guidelines pertaining to mileage reimbursement rate: Standard Mileage Rate - $0.54 cents per mile to deliver once and pick up once per day. (See attached.) The administration requests approval to continue use of these travel guidelines.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Pursuant to Section 30-4-70 of the South Carolina Code of Laws of 1976, as amended, the Board needs to hold an Executive Session. No formal action or voting will take place during the Executive Session.

The Board will convene in Executive Session to discuss the following:
A. Discussion of Employment Matters, Including: Election, Transfer, Termination, Retirement, Reorganization and/or Resignation of Staff

8. OPEN SESSION
The Chairperson shall convene the Board in Open Session to vote on any matters per Executive Session discussion.

9. ADJOURNMENT