Members Present: Mrs. Barbara McKenzie, Rev. Alfred Darby, Ms. Norma Bartelle, Dr. Linwood Cooper, and Rev. Norman Gamble

Members Absent: Rev. W. C. Henryhand, Sr. and Mr. Joseph Lee

Others Present: Dr. Yvonne Jefferson-Barnes, Ms. Christine Green, Mrs. Claire Murdoch, Mr. John Thames, and Mrs. Joann Fulton.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mrs. Barbara McKenzie.

The Chair asked for a Moment of Silence in recognition of Mrs. Sonya Burgess’ death.

All persons were asked to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda
A motion was made by Dr. Linwood Cooper and seconded by Rev. Alfred Darby to adopt the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously, (4-0). The Chair did not vote.

Topics for Discussion
Dr. Jefferson-Barnes welcomed Senator J. Yancey McGill, and stated that the school district had been dealing with significant issues regarding funds, and was soliciting the Legislative Delegation’s assistance in securing funding sources.

Mr. Thames and Ms. Green provided information relative to the financial state of the school district. There were discussions on the competitiveness of employee salaries with neighboring districts, decline of enrollment, conditions of school facilities, Millage rate, the penny sales tax, step increases, charging for parking at athletic events, and proposed federal cuts.

Senator McGill said he wanted to help the school district, and asked for a follow-up meeting with the Chief Financial Officer, Financial Consultant, and Superintendent on Friday, March 1, 2013, at 8:30 a.m.

Other discussions included FOIA requests, and amending Board agendas.

A motion was made by Rev. Norman Gamble and seconded by Rev. Alfred Darby to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously, (4-0). The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Submitted by: Joann M. Fulton  Date: March 25, 2013

Board Secretary: Alfred Darby  Date: March 25, 2013