

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Board  
Carolina School for Inquiry  
Richland County, South Carolina  
November 20, 2008**

**Place and Time of Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Carolina School for Inquiry was held at Carolina School for Inquiry, 7405-A Fairfield Road, Columbia, South Carolina, on Thursday November 20<sup>th</sup> 2008 at 7:00pm pursuant to notice having been duly given to the media and all members of the Board in accordance with the rules of the Board.

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm followed by a reading of the mission statement.

*The following members were present:*

Kathy Duffy-Thomas, Wilfred G. Rogers. Carroll Lucas, Ellen Duffy.Cleary Non-Members present: Tracey Keller Moser, Victoria Dixon-Mokeba (phone).

Agenda was amended to reflect that the minutes were not ready for months of September and October. The agenda was approved as amended on a motion from Wilfred and a second from Ellen.

**Approval Of Minutes**

Delayed until December meeting

**Public Comments:**

None

**Committee Reports:**

Finance- Tracy Keller Moser presented the reports from the September and October budgets. Tracy gave a more detailed review of the monthly budget process for the new Board members. She highlighted a few key line items and explained their significance.

Tracy also noted that the annual Audit of the schools books is completed and should soon be given to the school. Results should show that the school is financially sound. On a motion from Ellen and second from Carroll the report from the Finance committee was received unanimously.

No other committee reports were given.

**Directors Report:**

Victoria informed the Board of the Charter School Conference. The conference will be held March 26-28. As many Board members as can should plan to attend. All CSI teachers will be in attendance.

Kathy led the discussion on setting the goals of the Board for the upcoming year. The following goals were discussed and accepted:

- Marketing and fund raising should be separated as Ad Hoc committees of the Governance Committee . This move is important because of the necessity of bringing additional revenue to the school.
- Carroll will take the lead on helping procure computers and other technical equipment for the school by working with the Garrison Commander at Ft. Jackson. The commander can also help with fund raising, P/R. and marketing.
- Wilfred will take the lead on gathering the data and putting together the information needed for the presentation to the Board of Richland School District 1 to get 6<sup>th</sup> grade added to the school.
- Ellen will take the lead on grant writing and marketing,
- Facilities committee should investigate securing a longer term contract with RCRC since the schools charter has been extended from a 3 year to a 10 year cycle.

Information was given that Joel Medley was impressed with what's happening at CSI and wants to make the school a "Model Charter School".

Motion was made by Ellen and seconded by Wilfred to go into Executive Session. The motion passed. We went into executive session at 7:53pm.

The meeting returned to general session at 7:56pm on a motion from Carroll and seconded by Wilfred.

A motion was made to approve the reimbursement fees of the Lead Teacher upon the presentation of the bill. This is due to special circumstances. Motion made by Carroll and seconded by Ellen. Passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.