

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Board  
Carolina School for Inquiry  
Richland County, South Carolina  
March 17, 2009**

**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 Tuesday March 17, 2009 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 7:30 pm by the Chairman followed by a reading of the mission statement.

*The following members were present:*

Wilfred G. Rogers. Trina Randle, Kathy Duffy -Thomas and Queen Bonaparte. Non-Members present: Victoria Dixon-Mokeba,

Agenda was adopted on a motion Queen and seconded by Trina.

**Approval of Minutes**

The February minutes were unanimously approved on a motion from Trina and a second from Queen.

**Public Comments:**

None

**Committee Reports**

**Education:** Wilfred reported that the next step in the process to secure a sixth grade is for the principal of the school to submit a proposed change in the charter ASAP. The request will be sent to Administration. The entire charter revisions would need to be made within the old charter in red and be passed by the CSI Board. The Administration could then decide to gather info from district office staff and take before Cabinet. After that process the Superintendent would decide whether to recommend board action.

**Facilities:** The letter to RCRC has been sent requesting an extension to the building lease that would coincide with the Charter Extension from SDE.

**Finance:** The finance committee has been instructed to begin seeking bids for next year's auditor. We must get three bids for consideration. They should try to have the bids in time for the May meeting. Also, it is time to begin working with Bill to prepare the budget for the 09-10 school year.

Director's Report

- Terri Washington was honored as Distinguished Reading Teacher
- Chris and Terri have been selected to participate in the Roper Mountain Science Program this summer at USC-Aiken.
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> is the FOCSI Spring Dance
- The date for Mayfest has changed. The new date has not been determined yet.
- Chris is nominated for Teacher of the Year. The selection will be announced at the Charter School Conference.
- Students are doing well with Pennies for Patients.
- FOCSI is doing the school's first Memory/ Yearbook. The Ads are reasonable.
- The National Charter School Conference in Washington D.C. begins on Father's Day.
- We need to begin thinking about developing a long range strategic plan.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.