

MINUTES OF THE THOMAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL SESSION,
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order (attachment A) at 9:05 a.m. with the following members present: David Dawson, Charles Evans, Derwood Hickey, Nancy Hiers, Scott Morgan, Mark NeSmith, and Kay Streets. Others present at the meeting were Mr. Bill Sampson from Georgia School Boards Association, Mr. Louis Erste from Georgia Department of Education, Dr. Barbara Thomas, Superintendent of Worth County Schools, and Mr. Bill Settle, Director of Federal Programs with Thomasville City Schools. Mr. Morgan welcomed guests and turned the training session over to Mr. Sampson.

2. OVERVIEW OF SESSION

a. Purpose of charter system presentation: IE²/Charter System/Status Quo options - Mr. Sampson reminded board members that prior to June 30, 2015, all systems must vote to either become an IE² system, a charter system, or remain a status quo system.

b. Introduction of Mr. Louise Erste, Director, State Charter Schools Division - Mr. Erste's presentation was to provide information to help the board make a decision about which option to choose.

3. SYSTEM CHARTER SCHOOLS PRESENTATION

Mr. Erste presented information on charter schools.

4. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS – Mr. Louis Erste

Mr. Erste provided ample time for board members to ask questions and then guests were excused.

5. ETHICS REVIEW AND UPCOMING ITEMS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION

Mr. Sampson reviewed the code of ethics for board members.

6. UPDATES ON STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS, SACS ACCREDITATION PROCESS, AND ASSESSMENT UPDATE

Dr. Kornegay gave a very quick overview of the draft strategic plan and the SACS accreditation process. He said these would be reviewed in greater detail at a future meeting.

7. NOON ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Evans moved, with a second by Ms. Streets, to adjourn. The board voted unanimous approval of the motion.


Secretary


Chairman