NOTE: these minutes were amended as follows before being approved at the CSI Board on April 23, 2015:

- Under Head of School Report, include the work with CSI and the students from Columbia International University.
- SWOT was to be spelled correctly when identifying top priorities during board retreat.
- Add for clarification that "No vote was taken during Executive Session."

## Minutes, CSI Board Meeting, 3-26-15

#### Call to Order and Roll Call:

J.Epps presided and called the meeting to order. T.Ellis arrived a few minutes later. All members present.

CSI Mission Statement read.

- Agenda: Agenda unanimously adopted. (S.D. 1st, L.M. 2nd)
- Minutes of Feb. 26, 2015 unanimously adopted as written. (1st, L.M. 2nd, J.E.)

#### **Public Comments:**

There were no Public Comments

## **School Board Spotlight:**

• Board viewed "Landforms and Oceans" display by 3rd and 4th graders.

### **Head of School Report: VDM**

Nurse Hurt: presented a school logistics/upcoming events report.

(Note: School Book Fair raised over \$1,500 for Media Center!)

T. Lowe: presented a curriculum and instruction report.

(Note: testing is upcoming: MAP, ACT Aspire, PASS. Jr. Achievement volunteers from Emory University led wonderful and engaging activities! Reading Buddies

**VDM: State of School:** 

- Kudos to Nurse Hurt for her tireless Book Fair efforts!
- Military helpers do awesome job coming to read and eat lunch at CSI
- Cluster Meetings going well. Excitement felt at school! For ex., Common language spoken using vocabulary to reinforce learning. Midlands Math Meet.
- Testing- teachers learning new compliance procedures
- Spring Break next week
- PE Field Study 4-8-15 to Bowling Ally
- School Options Day, VDM will speak.
- Charter School Alliance: VDM was an invited speaker. Bill Moser emphasized how impressive VDM was and how captivating she was in detailing how to start a charter school and to do it for all the right reasons. This report was unanimously adopted as information by the Board.

## **Committee Reports: Chairman Ellis**

Finance Report: Bill Moser presented the Feb. 2015 Financial Report.

Chair questions alternatives to money market accounts.

- Feb. Financial Report unanimously adopted as information. (A.C 1st, S.T. 2nd)
- FY 16 Budget will be ready for the Board next month.

#### **Board Retreat: S. Darko:**

 Dates for Retreats are 4-11-15 and 5-23-15. 4-11 retreat will be at Midlands Tech/ Farrow Road and Chair Ellis will send directions soon. SWAT analysis to identify top priorities. L.M. requests to review Governance, Operations, Bi-Laws to ensure Board functions appropriately.

# **Board enters Executive Session Board Exits Executive Session (9:02pm)**

The following votes were taken and unanimously adopted by the Board upon reentering the regular meeting of the board:

- Minutes shall be emailed to members within 7 days of the last Board Meeting and members shall read them prior to the start of the next Board Meeting. (The Board shall have a few minutes to review proposed minutes during the approval -of -the minutes segment of the next Board Meeting)
- 2. A letter shall be drafted to be reviewed by the attorney for the Board regarding recouping funds owed to CSI; and upon review, delivered to the Richland One Board for assistance.
- 3. Board Retreat Dates shall be April 11th and May 23rd, 8AM until Noon each day. J. Epps, L. Murdaugh and T. Ellis shall coordinate to outline and prepare an agenda.

Chairman Ellis Adjourned the meeting at 9:10 PM.