

MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
THE OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL  
June 9, 1965

The Special Meeting to consider employment of an architect and further building plans for The Opportunity School was called to order by Dr. M. B. Webb, Chairman. Prayer was offered by Mr. R. H. Smith.

A statement was made by Dr. Webb regarding new buildings for The Opportunity School.

Mr. T. J. Bissett was present and responded to Dr. Webb's request for ideas - (from the architectural firm of Lyles, Bissett, Carlisle and Wolff.) He spoke of the possibility of building without disturbing school progress.

Discussion followed as to places, persons, document, etc. Types of buildings were discussed - one or two stories mentioned for thinking.

Director Lander mentioned, with deep appreciation, the Legislative officials and persons responsible for decisions regarding building program. Discussion between Director Lander and Mr. Bissett brought out the question and decision as to an early date for beginning work if his firm were given the architectural contract.

After this Mr. Bissett was excused and left the room.

Mr. Lander suggested a small committee to work with the contractors.

Chairman Webb read letters from Lyles, Bissett, Carlisle and Wolff and from A. A. Rice, Architect. These pertained to offers of service in building program.

Dr. Thomas moved that Lyles, Bissett, Carlisle and Wolff be retained for first buildings, Mr. Smith seconded, the motion carried.

Dr. Webb returned to the question of appointing a small committee; by unanimous agreement of the group, the chairman appointed Dr. Holler, Mr. Hal Kohn and Mr. R. H. Smith, with Dr. Holler as temporary chairman.

Mr. Lander called attention to the plot of land, 12 acres, between his house and main road, and expressed the wish that some arrangement be made by which it could be included in the school campus.

The Board authorized the school director to make such announcements as necessary from time to time regarding the relationship of the school and civil rights activities.

Dr. Webb read for information, a statement about an Inter-Agency Council of the State Board of Education consisting of representatives of The Opportunity School and others. Purpose: to upgrade Education in South Carolina.

Those present: Dr. M. B. Webb, Chairman; Mrs. Harriet Johnson, Acting Secretary; Mr. R. H. Smith; Dr. Oliver Thomas; Miss Will Lou Gray and Director W. T. Lander, Jr.

The meeting adjourned at 1 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Harriet F. Johnson,  
Acting Secretary  
In absence of Secretary  
Dr. James Miles