LATTA SCHOOL BOARD Minutes February 14, 2012

The Latta School Board of Trustees met for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Latta Early Childhood Center. Notices of the meeting were duly exercised and published per school board policy.

Trustees present were: Kyle Berry, Edward Bethea, Janice Boatwright, Linda James, Betty Jo Johnson and Kenneth Kitts. Eddie Watson was absent.

Chair Betty Jo Johnson welcomed all present and Kyle Berry opened with prayer.

On behalf of the South Carolina School Boards Association, Rose Howell presented to Betty Jo Johnson a lapel pin and certificate in recognition of her 15 years of school board service to Dillon School District Three. Eddie Watson will all so receive a lapel pin and certificate in recognitions of his 15 years of school board service to Dillon School District Three.

There being no additions or corrections to the January 10, 2012 minutes, Chair Johnson ruled that they stand approved.

The update on the new Latta Early Childhood construction and funding was postponed until a later date.

Donna Taylor presented a status report on the General Fund budget for December 2011. (Report attached becoming part of the minutes.)

A motion to approve the spending of the IDEA state maintenance of effort special allocation as presented by Esther Rogers was made by Edward Bethea and seconded by Kyle Berry. Vote was unanimous. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Kenneth Kitts made a motion to approve the draft of the 2012-2013 school calendar. Motion seconded by Janice Boatwright and vote was unanimous. The calendar will be presented to the county board for final approval. (Calendar attached becoming part of the minutes.)

Dollie Morrell updated the Board on the programs at the Latta Early Childhood Center. She also shared her goals for the 2012-2013 school year. (Handout attached becoming part of the minutes.)

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Larry Legette reported on the following:

- The district was still searching for a suitable activity bus for transporting children.
- The construction in the district was going well.
- Extended an invitation to the board members to attend the staff luncheon on February 20, 2012.

A motion to proceed with the district's law firm to establish policy in regards to charging out of district student fees was made by Edward Bethea and seconded by Kenneth Kitts. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to deed the performing arts center and parking lot to the Latta Schools Education Foundation was made by Kenneth Kitts and seconded by Edward Bethea. Vote was unanimous.

Chair Johnson reported that all the superintendent evaluation results were satisfactory.

A motion to go in to executive session to discuss a property contract and the superintendent's contract was made by Kyle Berry and seconded by Edward Bethea. Vote was unanimous.

Reconvening from executive session no action was taken.

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Betty Jo Johnson, Chair	W. Kyle Berry, Secretary

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