Georgia State Board of Education Senate Bill 79 • Official Hearing Atlanta Public Schools Board of Education

July 26, 2011

Following an offer by the Atlanta Public Schools Board of Education, the Georgia State Board of Education entered into a Consent Order with the Atlanta Public Schools Board of Education on Tuesday July 26, 2011. A copy of the transcript is attached hereto and made part of the minutes.

Motions & Votes Entered by the State Board of Education:

1. A motion to accept the Consent Order offered by the APS Board of Education.

Motion- Larry Winter Second to the Motion-Brian Burdette

Vote:

Wanda Barrs	Yes	Barbara Hampton	Yes
Linda Zechmann Yes		Mike Royal	Yes
Elizabeth Ragsdale	-	Larry Winter	Yes
Helen Odom Rice	Yes	J. Grant Lewis	-
Dan Israel	Yes	Brian Burdette	Yes
Kenneth Mason	Yes	Allen Rice	Yes
		Mary Sue Murray	Yes

2. A motion to postpone the July 26, 2011 hearing to a date no later than November 4, 2011. A reconvening may occur if deemed necessary by the State Board of Education to reconsider a recommendation to the Governor.

	Motion- Mike Royal	Second to the Motion- Linda Zechmann			
Vote:					
	Wanda Barrs	Yes	Barbara Hampton	Yes	
	Linda Zechmann	Yes	Mike Royal	Yes	
	Elizabeth Ragsdale	-	Larry Winter	Yes	
	Helen Odom Rice	Yes	Brian Burdette	Yes	
	Dan Israel	Yes	J. Grant Lewis	-	
	Kenneth Mason	Yes	Allen Rice	Yes	
			Mary Sue Murray	Yes	

Statement read at the conclusion of the hearing by State Board of Education Chair, Wanda Barrs:

Pursuant to Senate Bill 79 relating to the recommendation for potential suspension of local boards of education for governance related issues the Georgia State Board of Education has received, reviewed and approved the Consent Order and Agreement brought forward by the Atlanta Public Schools. The order includes stipulations required toward satisfying the six "Required Actions" outlined in the report provided by the SACS Council on Accreditation and School Improvement. Under these circumstances with the dire need for leadership and support of the corrective action plan put forth by Superintendent Erroll Davis the state board agrees to suspend the July 26, 2011 hearing and do agree to reconvene the hearing at its discretion no later than November 4, 2011.