

Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education
Tuesday, August 4, 2015, 6:30 p.m.
Central Services Conference Room

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, August 4, 2015, 6:30 pm, Central Services Conference Room, with the following Board Members present: Chairman John Guard, Vice Chairman Jean Bunch, Ricky Browder, Gil Burroughs, Glorious Elliott, Gene Jordan, Kay Wright and Superintendent Dr. Rob Jackson.

Others present were: Director of Human Resources Michelle Maddox, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Tanya Turner, John A. Holmes High School Principal Steve Wood, Director of Maintenance and Transportation Brad Bass, Attorney Hackney High, Deputy Brian Long, Board Clerk Sarah Hare and other community members (see Board Meeting sign-in sheet).

The meeting was called to order by John Guard and an invocation was given by Glorious Elliott.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. Guard asked for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Glorious Elliott to approve the agenda. A second to the motion was made by Gil Burroughs. The motion carried unanimously.

There were no requests to address the Board.

Capital Outlay Project Progress Report - Brad Bass, Director of Maintenance and Transportation, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the status of the capital outlay projects that are currently underway and answered questions from Board Members.

Substitute Teacher Usage - Dr. Rob Jackson, Superintendent, and Michelle Maddox, Director of Human Resources, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the current substitute teacher process and answered questions from Board Members.

NCSBA District Meeting Information - Tanya Turner, Assistant Superintendent, provided Board Members with information related to the 2015 NCSBA District 1 Meeting that will be held at D F Walker Elementary on September 9, 2015.

Superintendent's Report - Convocation will be held on Friday, August 14th at 9:00 am at Rocky Hock Baptist Church. The preliminary Cohort Graduation Rate from the state indicates our graduation rate for the 2014-2015 school year was at 82.2%, the highest rate in school history. The graduation rate of Black students increased from 69.9% to 87.4%. Beginning with the September Board Meeting, the agenda will include the Pledge of Allegiance which will be led by students. The Board will also have the opportunity each month to recognize students who have distinguished themselves in each of the four schools. Dr. Jackson recently hosted a meeting for potential charter school parents to discuss the benefits of students attending Edenton-Chowan Schools. Rapid Deployment Drills will be conducted at each of the school campuses prior to students returning for the new school year. Open House for the 2015 - 2016 school year will be held on Thursday, August 20th at each of the schools.

CONSIDER:

Board Policy Revisions (First Reading) - Dr. Jackson presented the Board with the following policy revisions for a first reading:

- 1200 Election and Organization
- 4000 Attendance
- 5350 Evaluations and Improvement Plans

New Board Policy (First Reading) - Dr. Jackson presented the Board with the following new board policy for a first reading:

- 1460 Closed Session

Frozen Teacher Workdays - Tanya Turner presented the Board with the proposed Frozen Teacher Workdays for the 2015-2016 school year. A motion was made by Ricky Browder to approve the Frozen Teacher Workdays as presented. A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

2015-2016 Attorney Contract - Dr. Jackson presented Board Members with a contract from Attorney Hackney High for the 2015-2016 legal services. Upon the recommendation of Dr. Jackson, a motion was made by Kay Wright to extend the legal services contract for the 2015-2016 school year utilizing the services of Attorney Hackney High with High and Crowe, LLP. A second to the motion was made by Gene Jordan. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE:

A motion was made by Gil Burroughs to approve the following items by Consent Agenda. A second to the motion was made by Glorious Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

July 7, 2015 Board Minutes

July 20, 2015 Board Minutes

July 2015 Personnel Report

School Board Report - July 2015

A motion was made by Glorious Elliott to enter into a closed session at 8:35 pm to discuss a personnel matter as permitted by North Carolina General Statute §143-318.11 (a) (6). A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open session.

A motion was made by Glorious Elliott to extend Assistant Superintendent Tanya Turner's contract to June 30, 2019. A second to the motion was made by Jean Bunch. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/REMARKS:

Dr. Jackson updated Board Members on the status of the new Alternate Learning Center that will be housed at the Boys and Girls Club.

With there being no further discussion, a motion was made by Glorious Elliott to adjourn the meeting. A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 9:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Guard, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Secretary