

Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education
Tuesday, December 4, 2018
6:30 p.m.

College of the Albemarle
Culinary Building
118 Blades St.
Edenton, NC 27932

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, December 4, 2018, 6:30 p.m., in the College of the Albemarle Culinary Building with the following Board Members present: Ricky Browder, Jean Bunch, Gil Burroughs, Paul Clifton, Gene Jordan, Joan White, Board Member-Elect Maxine Mason, and Superintendent Dr. Rob Jackson.

Others present were: Assistant Superintendent Tanya Turner; Directors representing Central Services; John A. Holmes High School Principal Steve Wood; Chowan Middle School Principal Alton Campbell; Members of the Community; Deputy Heather Matthews; Board Attorney Hack High; and Board Clerk Sarah Hare.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jackson

The invocation was given by Mr. Browder.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by students from Chowan Middle School.

The Honorable Meader Harriss, III, District Court Judge, administered the Oath of Office to Board Member-Elect Maxine Mason and the following Board members who were re-elected: Ricky Browder, Jean Bunch, and Gil Burroughs.

Election of Officers - Dr. Jackson asked for nominations for Chairman of the Board of Education. Ricky Browder nominated Gene Jordan as Chairman. There were no further nominations. The vote was unanimous and Mr. Jordan assumed the role of Chairman.

Mr. Jordan asked for nominations for Vice Chair of the Board of Education. Mr. Jordan nominated Jean Bunch as Vice Chair. There were no further nominations. The vote was unanimous and Mrs. Bunch assumed the role of Vice Chair.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to approve the agenda as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. White. The motion carried unanimously.

There were no requests to address the Board.

REPORT:

Audit Presentation - Mrs. Donna Winborne, representing Donna H. Winborne, CPA, P.C., presented the Board with the June 30, 2018 audit report and answered questions from Board Members.

NCSBA Annual Conference Report - Chairman Jordan led the Board in a discussion regarding the NCSBA Conference that Board Members recently attended. Board Members shared information from the various workshops that they attended while at the conference.

Superintendent's Report - Dr. Jackson presented his monthly report including the following items:

The Aces football team recently earned the right to play in the Eastern Regional Final for the third consecutive year.

Dr. Jackson recently attended the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to observe the Public Hearing on the loan for the Boys and Girls Club.

Congratulations to Victoria Brinson and Jessica Dail who have earned their National Board Certification.

Our English Learners headcount is now 65, up from 48 last year.

Our website has now been translated into Spanish to ensure accessibility for Spanish-speaking families.

A video buzz-in system has been installed at each of our schools, as well as the 6th grade building at Chowan Middle School, and at Central Services. New fencing has also been put into place at John A. Holmes High School. We are continuing our efforts to make our schools and workplaces as safe as possible.

Dr. Jackson also shared that he was very proud of our seniors who had recently presented their Senior Projects. Dr. Jackson had the opportunity to serve as a judge and was very impressed with each student's project.

CONSIDER:

Legislative Agenda - Dr. Jackson gave Board Members a Legislative Update and presented the 2019 Legislative Priorities and Agenda. A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to adopt the Legislative Agenda as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. Bunch. The motion carried unanimously.

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

- *2130 Parental Involvement*
- *2700 Business Advisory Council*
- *4055 School Assignment*
- *4215 Weapons, Bomb Threats, Terrorist Threats, and Clear Threats to Safety*
- *4410/5130 Discrimination, Harassment, and Bullying Complaint Procedure*
- *6310 School Safety*
- *6515 School Wellness*

2019 - 2020 School Calendar (First Reading) - Ms. Tanya Turner, Assistant Superintendent, presented the 2019-2020 School Calendar for a first reading.

Edenton-Chowan Board of Education Resolution Supporting Local Control of School Calendars - Dr. Jackson presented a Resolution Supporting Local Control of School Calendars to the Board for their consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to adopt the Resolution Supporting Local Control of School Calendars as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Clifton. The motion carried unanimously.

Selection of Representatives to the Annual NSBA Annual Conference - Chairman Jordan led the Board in a discussion to select representatives to attend the National School Boards Association Annual Conference. After some discussion, Mrs. Mason, Mr. Browder and Mrs. White were selected to attend the conference. The NSBA Conference will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on March 30-31 and April 1, 2019.

Principal Bonus Pay Hold Harmless Provision - Ms. Michelle Maddox, Director of Human Resources, and Dr. Jackson, gave a presentation to the Board regarding the Principal Bonus Pay Hold Harmless Provision. After some discussion, it was decided to have Board Attorney Hack High assist with a motion and bring the item back to the Board at the January 2019 Board Meeting.

There was not a closed session meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Mrs. Bunch to approve the following items on the consent agenda. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. White. The motion carried unanimously.

1 - Minutes

- November 6, 2018 Board Minutes

2 - Personnel Report

- December 4, 2018 Personnel Report

3 - Financial Report

- School Board Report - December 2018

4 - Transfer Report

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS/COMMENTS:

Mr. Burroughs commented on the following:

- Huts at John A. Holmes High School

Mrs. White commented on the following:

- Article in newspaper regarding new high school

Mr. Browder commented on the following:

- Frequency of teacher/staff pay

With there being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to adjourn the meeting. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. Bunch. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Jordan, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Ed.D., Secretary