

EDENTON-CHOWAN BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday, October 6, 2014, 6:30 p.m.
Central Services Conference Room

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, October 6, 2014, 6:30 pm, Board of Education Central Services Office with the following members present: Chairman John Guard, Vice-Chair Kay Wright, Ricky Browder, Jean Bunch, Gil Burroughs, Glorious Elliott, Gene Jordan, and Superintendent Rob Jackson.

Others present were: Emma Berry, Linda White, Joy Denton, Board Clerk Sarah Hare, Deputy Brian Long, School Board Attorney Will Crowe and several teachers and staff members representing White Oak Elementary School, D F Walker Elementary School, Chowan Middle School and John A. Holmes High School (see attached sheet).

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

PUBLIC/BOARD DIALOGUE: Ms. Darlene Edwards of Edenton, NC was present and inquired about the possibility of starting a Junior Achievement Program at John A. Holmes High School.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. Guard asked for approval of the agenda. A motion was made by Mrs. Jean Bunch and seconded by Ms. Kay Wright. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT:

1. **Education Foundation Mini Grant Presentations** - Ms. Joy Denton, President of the Edenton-Chowan Education Foundation, presented the following Mini Grants to Edenton-Chowan School Teachers:

White Oak Elementary School - Jennifer Attkisson and Lacey Winslow

DF Walker Elementary School - Angela Speck and Phil Huey, Krista Bond and Nicole Dowd, Kristine Ludlow and Jennifer Thach

Chowan Middle School - Angela Elsbree, Deborah Bunch and Janie Joseph

John A. Holmes High School - Stephen Karl, Victor Agraz, Stephanie Graban and Rachel Ward, Victor Agraz, and Rosa Michelle Downing

2. **Read to Achieve Update** - Mr. Jackson provided a Power Point presentation on Read to Achieve, which included the percentage of economically disadvantaged students, 3rd Grade reading proficiency and 2014 Cohort Graduation rate for Edenton Chowan Schools.
3. **Policy 6500 "Child Nutrition Programs" Revision** - Mr. Jackson presented the Board with a revision to Board of Education Policy 6500, "Child Nutrition Program" for the Board's initial consideration. Suggested revisions were made to comply with the new federal "Smart Snacks" legislation.
4. **October 20, 2014 Quarterly Meeting** - Mr. Guard reminded Board Members that the next Quarterly Board Meeting would be October 20, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at Chowan Middle School.
5. **Selection of Delegates to the Annual NCSBA Conference** - Mr. Guard asked for volunteers to be a delegate to the Annual NCSBA Conference. After some discussion, the following members were selected: Glorious Elliott, Kay Wright and Jean Bunch.
6. **Superintendent's Report** - Mr. Jackson informed Board Members that Ms. Debra Rook, a teacher at Chowan Middle School, received the Edenton-Chowan Schools Teacher of the Year Award. Mr. Jackson informed the Board of the Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) Program state awards recently received by all four schools. The John A. Holmes High School Athletic Department received the Sportsmanship Award from the North Carolina High School Athletic Association for the second consecutive year. DF Walker and White Oak Schools participated in the Chowan County Fair, with White Oak students attending the fair at no charge. All of the Edenton-Chowan Schools participated in the Annual Peanut Festival which was held on October 4th. Mr. Jackson also updated the Board Members on his activities over the past month to include his involvement in the community, school activities and school meetings.

CONSIDER:

1. **John A. Holmes High School Handbook Revision** - Mr. Jackson provided the Board with the statutory requirement information found under NCGS 115C-47 regarding how to lawfully abandon an infant and recommended that the John A. Holmes High School Handbook be revised to include this information. After some discussion, Mr. Guard asked for a motion to approve the revision. A motion to approve the revision was made by Mr. Gil Burroughs and seconded by Mrs. Glorious Elliott. The motion passed unanimously.

2. **2014 - 2015 Budget Resolution** - Mrs. Emma Berry shared the 2014-2015 Budget Resolution with Board Members. After some discussion, Mr. Guard asked for a motion to accept the 2014 -2015 Budget Resolution. A motion was made by Mr. Ricky Browder to accept the 2014 -2015 Budget Resolution and seconded by Mr. Gil Burroughs. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Fund Balance Reserves 2014** - Mrs. Berry shared the 2014 Fund Balance Reserves with Board Members. After some discussion, Mr. Guard asked for a motion to accept the 2014 Fund Balance Reserves. A motion was made by Mrs. Elliott and seconded by Ms. Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE:

A motion was made by Mrs. Elliott and seconded by Mr. Burroughs to approve the following items by consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Minutes
2. Personnel
3. Financial

Board Members Report/Remarks: None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

John Guard, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Secretary