

Edenton-Chowan Schools
Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, January 12, 2021
6:30 p.m.

Edenton-Chowan Schools
Technology Center
800 North Oakum St.
Edenton, NC 27932

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 6:30 p.m at the Edenton-Chowan Schools Technology Center. The following Board Members were present: Chairman Gene Jordan, Vice-Chair Jean Bunch, Gil Burroughs, Paul Clifton, Maxine Mason, Joan White and Superintendent Dr. Michael Sasscer. Ricky Browder was absent. Social distancing guidelines were followed. The meeting was broadcast via Facebook Live:
<https://www.facebook.com/EdentonChowan/videos/860477071459024/>

Others attending were: Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Auxiliary Services Dr. Jana Rawls; Board Attorney Will Crowe; and Board Clerk Sarah Hare.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jordan.

Chairman Jordan gave the invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Jordan.

The Honorable Meader Harriss, III, District Court Judge, administered the Oath of Office to Joan White, who was re-elected to office.

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

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

Chowan Middle School Principal Michelle White has been selected as the 2020-21 Northeast Regional Principal of the Year. We are very proud of Mrs. White and her staff!

January will mark the third transition in our operational plan since the beginning of the school year. The approximate percentage of students that will be learning face-to-face by the end of January are: White Oak Elementary 89%; D. F. Walker Elementary 80%; Chowan Middle 80%; and John A. Holmes 65%.

2021 marked the beginning of a new leadership team at White Oak Elementary School. Principal Newsome and Assistant Principal Spivey have hit the ground running!

Edenton-Chowan Schools will host a vaccination clinic at White Oak Elementary on Wednesday, January 12th.

PUBLIC BOARD DIALOGUE: There were no comments emailed to the Board.

REPORT:

Community Input Sessions with LS3P - Dr. Sasscer shared information with the Board regarding the upcoming John A. Holmes High School community input sessions with LS3P.

CONSIDER:

Board of Education Policy Revisions - (Second Reading) - Dr. Sasscer presented the following Board of Education policy revisions and new policy for a second reading:

Policy Revisions

- *1360 - Prohibition Against Retaliation*
- *2140 - School Closings*
- *2210 - Public Record Requests*
- *2420 - Use of School Buildings for Community Purposes*
- *3100 - School Calendar*
- *3605 - Graduation Requirements*
- *3700 - Testing and Assessment Program*
- *5135 - Staff-Student Relations*
- *5180 - Employee Use of Social Media*
- *6070 - Announcements For Certain Services*

- 6310 - *School Safety*

New Policy

- 4600 - *Student Fees*

A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to approve the policy revisions and new policy as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. White. The motion carried unanimously.

2020-2021 Contract for Speech and Language Services - Ms. Jamie Bowers, Exceptional Childrens' Director, presented a speech and language services contract for Frances Creel for the Board's consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to approve the contract as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Clifton. The motion carried unanimously.

2020-21 DPI Facility Needs Survey - Dr. Jana Rawls, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Auxiliary Services, presented the 2020-2021 DPI Facility Needs Survey for the Board's consideration. A motion was made by Mrs. Bunch to approve the 2020-21 DPI Facility Needs Survey as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. Mason. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs 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

- December 8, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes

2 - Personnel Report

- January 12, 2021 Personnel Report

3 - Financial Report

- School Board Report - January 2021

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS/COMMENTS

Mrs. Bunch commented on the following:

- PBS Channel Resource

Dr. Sasscer shared that DPI will be visiting the district on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

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 Mr. Clifton. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Jordan, Chairman

Michael Sasscer, Ed.D., Secretary