

Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education  
Tuesday, July 12, 2016, 6:30 p.m.  
Central Services Conference Room

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, July 12, 2016, 6:30 p.m., in the Central Services Conference Room with the following Board Members present: Chairman John Guard, Vice Chair Jean Bunch, Gil Burroughs, Glorious Elliott, Gene Jordan, Kay Wright and Superintendent Dr. Rob Jackson. Ricky Browder was absent.

Others present were: Director of Human Resources Michelle Maddox; Chief Finance Officer Emma Berry; Deputy Antwan Rascoe; Board Attorney Hack High; and Board Clerk Sarah Hare.

The meeting was called to order by John Guard and the invocation was given by Gil Burroughs.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gene Jordan.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Glorious Elliott to approve the agenda as presented with a second by Gene Jordan. The motion carried unanimously.

There were no requests to address the Board.

REPORT:

1 - Volunteer Background Screening - Ms. Michelle Maddox, Director of Human Resources, presented Regulation 2110-R (Use of Volunteers) to the Board. After some discussion, the Board agreed to allow the Superintendent to establish the regulation at his discretion.

2 - 2016 North Carolina Teacher Working Conditions Survey Results - Dr. Jackson gave a presentation and informed Board Members of the results of the 2016 North Carolina Teacher Working Conditions Survey.

3 - Superintendent's Report:

Edenton-Chowan Schools has qualified as a grant finalist in the 2016 America's Farmers Grow Rural Education program.

The Summer Santa Bus will be running on sixteen different days this summer. It is estimated that over 500 children have boarded the bus and received a book already this summer.

The GEAR UP Program will be sponsoring a "GEAR UP for High School" summer program for incoming 9th graders that will focus on freshmen courses in math, reading, science, and career and college preparation.

The 2015-2016 district student enrollment was down approximately 125 students compared to the 2014-2015 enrollment.

Edenton-Chowan Schools recently hosted the first annual Northeast Beginning Teacher Summit. There were 67 teachers from 18 different school systems present.

Dr. Jackson, Lieutenant Colonel George Nelson, and John A. Holmes High School Principal Steve Wood participated in the DAR-sponsored Independence Day ceremony that was held on July 4, 2016.

#### CONSIDER:

1 - 1:1 Digital Learning Device Program Update - Dr. Jackson gave Board Members an update on the 1:1 Digital Learning Device Program.

2 - 1:1 Digital Learning Device Sustainability Funding - Dr. Jackson discussed the 1:1 Digital Learning Device Sustainability Funding with Board Members.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Gil Burroughs to authorize the Superintendent to purchase 600 Chromebooks for up to \$125,000. A second to the motion was made by Gene Jordan. The motion carried unanimously. The Board supported the Superintendent's recommendation to assess each student a \$25 fee annually for the device and to place \$50,000 annually into the 1:1 Sustainability Fund.

3 - Beginning Teacher Induction Plan for 2016-2017 - Ms. Michelle Maddox, Director of Human Resources, presented the 2016-2017 Beginning Teacher Induction Plan for the Board's consideration. A motion was made by Jean Bunch to approve the 2016-2017

Beginning Teacher Induction Plan as presented. A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

4 - Interim Budget Resolution - Ms. Emma Berry, Chief Finance Officer, presented the Interim Budget Resolution to the Board for consideration. A motion was made by Glorious Elliott to approve the Interim Budget Resolution as presented. A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE:

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

- June 7, 2016 Board Minutes
- June 2016 Personnel Report
- School Board Report – June 2016 (DRAFT)

A motion was made by Gil Burroughs to enter into a closed session at 8:30 p.m. to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential as permitted by North Carolina General Statute §143-318.11 (a) (1). A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open session.

#### BOARD MEMBER REMARKS/COMMENTS

Mr. Guard commented on the following:

- Board seat filing period
- Teacher transfers

Mr. Burroughs commented on the following:

- EVAAS
- Music, Art, and Physical Education programs

Mr. Jordan commented on the following:

- Government funding

Dr. Jackson commented on the following:

- North Carolina School Boards Action Center contribution

Dr. Jackson reminded Board Members of the Quarterly Board Meeting scheduled for Monday, July 25, 2016.

With there being no further discussion, a motion was made by Glorious Elliot to adjourn the meeting. A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Guard, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Ed.D., Secretary