

Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education
Tuesday, June 6, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
White Oak Elementary School Media Center

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, 6:30 p.m., in the White Oak Elementary School Media Center with the following Board Members present: Chairman Gene Jordan, Vice-Chair Jean Bunch, Ricky Browder, Gil Burroughs, Paul Clifton, Glorious Elliott, Joan White, 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 John Lassiter; D.F. Walker Elementary School Principal Michelle White; White Oak Elementary School Principal Sheila Evans; School Staff Members; Members of the Community; Deputy Ricky Winebarger; Board Attorney Hack High and Board Clerk Sarah Hare.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jordan and the invocation was given by Mr. Clifton.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by students from D.F. Walker Elementary School.

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. Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD RECOGNITIONS:

The Board of Education recognized the following individuals/groups for their outstanding accomplishments:

Meredith Mize - Received the NCHSAA Heart of a Champion Award

Ben O'Kelley and the John A. Holmes High School Cabinet Making Class - Designed and crafted the school system's Academic Mace

Gene Baker's Science Class - Secured a \$2,500 grant from the Captain Planet Foundation for an outdoor classroom project

Michelle Dewees - Named as the Elizabeth City State University Student Teacher of the Year

Lee Powell - Named as the Elizabeth City State University Student Teacher of the Year - Cooperating Teacher

There were no requests to address the Board.

REPORT:

Recognition of Retirees and 20-year Veterans - The Board of Education and Dr. Jackson recognized the following Retirees and 20-year Veterans:

Retirees:

Gloria Bond; Carolyn Davis; Phyllis Hardy; Robin Strickland; (D.F. Walker Elementary School)

Kathy Girardi (Chowan Middle School)

Brenda Bonner; Barbara Brown; Mary Granby; Elizabeth Huff; Annette Jordan; Gloria Rayner (John A. Holmes High School)

Brad Bass (Central Services)

20-Year Veterans:

Stacey Banks
Jamie Bass
Jennifer Nash-Dale
Pam Leary

June Proctor
Kristie Williams
Stephen Wood

Project Purple Presentation - The John A. Holmes High School Project Purple Student Club shared their club's purpose, vision, and activities from the past year with Board Members and answered questions.

Insurance Consultant Update - Mr. Kurt Fickling, Firm Consulting, gave an overview of the District's insurance services and answered questions from Board Members.

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

Dr. Jackson updated Board Members on the recent school activities and community events that he attended.

Recently, John A. Holmes High School had their second student graduate from College of the Albemarle with their Associate's degree prior to earning their high school diploma.

The Class of 2017 earned over \$2.7 million dollars in scholarships.

For the first time in school history, the John A. Holmes High School baseball team won the 2A State Baseball Championship.

Dr. Jackson gave Board Members an update from the last County Commissioners' meeting that he attended.

The Edenton-Chowan Education Foundation has recently revised their bylaws.

The month eight average daily membership report indicated that student enrollment is five students higher than the same time last year.

The percentage of students scoring proficient or above proficient in reading at White Oak Elementary School grew 34% from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. Kindergarten grew 49%; 1st grade grew 23%; and 2nd grade grew 28%.

CONSIDER:

Career and Technical Education Plan - Ms. Casey Bass, Director of Secondary Education and Career and Technical Education, shared the Career and Technical Education Plan with Board Members and answered questions. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Bunch to accept the plan as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Policy Revisions - Dr. Jackson presented the following board policy revisions to the Board for a second reading:

- 3800 Interscholastic Athletics Policy
- 6515 Student Wellness Policy

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

Budget Amendments - Mrs. Emma Berry, Chief Finance Officer, presented Budget Amendments numbered 1 through 14 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2107 for the Board's consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Browder to approve the Budget Amendments as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Burroughs. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution in Opposition to Partisan Elections for Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education - Dr. Jackson presented the Resolution in Opposition to Partisan Elections for Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education to the Board for consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to adopt the resolution as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Clifton. 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. Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

1 – Minutes

- May 2, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

2 - Personnel Report

- May 2017 Personnel Report

3 - Financial Report

- School Board Report - May 2017

A motion was made by Mrs. White to enter into a closed session at 8:40 p.m. 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 Mrs. Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open session.

Board Member Remarks/Comments

Mr. Burroughs commented on the following:

- Lighting and HVAC units at the John A. Holmes High School auditorium

Mrs. Bunch commented on the following:

- History of Education

Mr. Jordan commented on the following:

- Future of John A. Holmes High School

Dr. Jackson stated that the July 31, 2017 Quarterly Board Meeting will be moved to July 24, 2017.

Dr. Jackson informed Board Members of the overnight trip request that he approved for the John A. Holmes High School baseball team to attend the 2A State Championship on June 2-3, 2017

With there being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Elliott to adjourn the meeting. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Burroughs. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Jordan, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Ed.D., Secretary