

Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education
Tuesday, June 7, 2016, 6:30 p.m.
Chowan Middle School Media Center

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, June 7, 2016, 6:30 p.m., in the Chowan Middle School Media Center with the following Board Members present: Chairman John Guard, Ricky Browder, Gil Burroughs, Glorious Elliott, Gene Jordan, Kay Wright and Superintendent Dr. Rob Jackson. Vice Chair Jean Bunch was absent.

Others present were: Assistant Superintendent Tanya Turner; John A. Holmes High School Principal Steve Wood; Chowan Middle School Principal John Lassiter; White Oak Elementary School Principal Sheila Evans; Directors representing Central Services; staff members from Edenton-Chowan Schools; Deputy Brian Callon; Board Attorney Will Crowe; Board Clerk Sarah Hare and other community members (see sign-in sheet).

The meeting was called to order by John Guard and an invocation was given.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by students from White Oak Elementary School.

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

The Board recognized Kim Ullom for the many photographs that she has taken and shared over the years.

There were no requests to address the Board.

REPORT:

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

Retirees:

Francine Bazemore; Angela Byrum; Karen Molloy; Lieutenant Colonel George Nelson;
Steve Karl (John A. Holmes High School)

Tula Polvadore (Chowan Middle School)

Paula Rinehart (White Oak Elementary School)

Ernest Gaylord; Ann Henderson (Central Services)

20-Year Veterans:

Sheila May

Brenda Bonner

Lynne Miller

Shannon Byrum

William Linton

Sarah McLaughlin

Julie Privott

Tonya Hardison

Lisa Chappell

Tracy Faircloth

2 - July Quarterly Meeting - Dr. Jackson recommended moving the July Quarterly Board Meeting from July 18, 2016 to July 25, 2016 to allow Attorney Richard Schwartz to conduct board training at the meeting. The Board supported the recommendation.

3 - Superintendent's Report:

Edenton-Chowan Schools was recently recognized by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction for being the first school system in the state to reach 100 percent participation on the North Carolina Teacher Working Conditions Survey. The school system received a check in the amount of \$1,000 that will be equally divided among the four schools.

Edenton-Chowan Schools Transportation Department has received a grant to install extended stop arm systems on five local school buses.

Due to a lack of enrollment, the opening of the new Pre-K classroom will be delayed for at least one year.

Recently, members of The Albemarle Sounds choral group presented checks in the amount of \$100 per school to each of the schools music teachers in support of the vocal music programs.

On May 14th, Chowan County student-athletes competed in the Special Olympics competition held at Northeastern High School in Elizabeth City, NC.

White Oak Elementary School and DF Walker Elementary School have received a \$10,000 Schoolyard Habitat Program Grant from the US Fish and Wildlife Agency. DF Walker has also received an outdoor classroom space to accompany the new wetlands project.

Dr. Jackson has contacted the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) regarding the intersection of NC Highway 32 and Sandy Ridge Road. A study of the intersection was last conducted in March, 2014. The NCDOT has agreed to review the intersection again.

To date, the John A. Holmes High School Class of 2016 has received 300 college acceptance letters and over \$3.4 million in scholarships. Commencement Exercises will be held on Friday, June 10, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

CONSIDER:

1 - Federal Plans - Ms. Linda White, Director of Elementary Education, Title 1 & AIG; Ms. Michelle Maddox, Director of Human Resources; Ms. Virginia Jones, Director of Exceptional Children and Student Services; and Ms. Casey Bass, Director of Secondary Education and CTE, shared the following Federal Grant Programs with the Board:

- Title 1 Plan
- Title 2 Plan
- Title 3 Plan
- Exceptional Childrens' Grants
- CTE Plan

The Board agreed to move forward with the plans a presented. There was not a formal motion made.

2 - District AIG Plan (Second Reading) - Ms. Virginia Jones, Director of Exceptional Children and Student Services, presented the District AIG Plan to the Board for a second reading. A motion was made by Gil Burroughs to accept the District AIG Plan as presented. A second to the motion was made by Gene Jordan. The motion carried unanimously.

3 - Board Policy Revisions - Dr. Jackson presented the following Board Policy Revisions for a second reading:

- 2310 Grant Money
- 6000 Purchase of Equipment, Materials and Supplies
- 6010 Purchase Orders and Contracts
- 6030 Specifications
- 6040 Bidding for Construction or Repair Work
- 6050 Minority Business Enterprise Participation in Construction and Contracts Policy
- 6070 Announcements for Certain Services
- 6100 Disposition of School Property
- 6450 Contract Transportation
- 6500 Child Nutrition Programs
- 7400 Contract Administration

4 - Board Policy Revisions - Dr. Jackson also presented the following Board Policy Revisions for a second reading:

- 1600 Board Member Compensation and Expenses
- 3600 Student Promotion and Accountability
- 3700 Testing
- 4210 Code of Student Conduct
- 4380 Automated External Defibrillators
- 4410/5130 Discrimination, Harassment, and Bullying Complaint Procedure
- 5165 Weapons Prohibited on School Property

5 - New Board Policies for Consideration (Second Reading) - Dr. Jackson presented the following new Board Policy for a second reading:

- 1360 Prohibition Against Retaliation

A motion was made by Gene Jordan to approve the Board Policies/Revisions in items 3, 4, and 5 as presented. A second to the motion was made by Glorious Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

6 - Budget Amendments - Ms. Emma Berry, Chief Finance Officer, presented Budget Amendments numbered 1 through 15 for the Board's consideration. A motion was made by Gil Burroughs to accept Budget Amendments 1 through 15 as presented. A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Glorious Elliott to enter into a closed session at 8:00 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 Kay Wright. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open session.

A motion was made by Ricky Browder to offer Michael James a one year contract. A second to the motion was not offered. Therefore, the motion did not carry.

A motion was made by Glorious Elliott to approve the following items by consent agenda. A second to the motion was made by Kay Wright. The motion carried 5-1. Ricky Browder was opposed.

- May 3, 2016 Board Minutes
- May 2016 Personnel Report
- School Board Report – May 2016
- Teacher Contracts

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS/COMMENTS

Mr. Burroughs commented on the following:

- Chorus program at Chowan Middle School
- Biology classes at John A. Holmes High School

Mr. Guard commented on the following:

- Budget Presentation

Dr. Jackson commented on the following:

- Teacher Working Conditions Survey
- 2015-2016 Testing
- Convocation

Mr. Browder commented on the following:

- Presentation at Ministers' Council Meeting

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

Respectfully submitted,

John Guard, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Ed.D., Secretary