

Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education
Monday, March 30, 2015, 6:30 p.m.
Central Services Conference Room

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 30, 2015, 6:30 pm, Central Services Conference Room with the following Board Members present: Chairman John Guard, Vice Chairman Jean Bunch, Ricky Browder, Gil Burroughs, Glorious Elliott, Gene Jordan, Kay Wright and Superintendent Rob Jackson.

Others present were: Director of Human Resources Michelle Maddox, Chief Finance Officer Emma Berry, Board Attorney Hack High, Deputy Edward Basnight, Board Clerk Sarah Hare, Directors representing Central Services, School Administrators representing White Oak Elementary, DF Walker Elementary, Chowan Middle School and John A. Holmes High School and other staff and community members.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. Guard asked for approval of the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Gil Burroughs, with a second by Glorious Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC BOARD DIALOGUE: There were no requests to address the Board.

REPORT:

John A. Holmes High School Environmental Club Presentation and Recognition - Steve Karl, Science Teacher at John A. Holmes High School, and the Environmental Club, gave a PowerPoint presentation on their recent hydrilla project. Mr. Guard presented Mr. Karl and the Environmental Club with a Certificate of Achievement and congratulated them on their accomplishments.

Resolution in Support of Interstate - Win Dale, Executive Director of the Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce, presented a Resolution in Support of Interstate 44 which would run from Raleigh to Hampton Roads. A motion was made by Gil Burroughs to adopt the resolution, with a second by Glorious Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

AdvancED Accreditation Visits Results - Linda White, Director of Elementary Education, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the recent AdvancED Accreditation visits results of each school and answered questions from Board Members.

E-Rate Presentation - Nelle Hyatt, Chief Technology Officer, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the E-Rate changes for 2015-2016 and answered questions from Board Members.

Superintendent's Report - Mr. Jackson was pleased to inform Board Members that the scholarships for the Senior Class of John A. Holmes High School are now at a record breaking amount of almost \$3,000,000. The Senate Committee on Pensions, Retirement and Aging amended and approved Senate Bill 6 "State Health Plan/Rehired Retiree Eligibility". Mr. Jackson also informed Board Members that a new school, the Northeast Academy of Aerospace and Advanced Technologies, will be opening in Elizabeth City later this year. Two Virtual Charter Schools will also be opening in August. The Global Languages Endorsement was approved in January 2015 and is available this year. The purpose is to provide a way for students to show their multi-literacy in English and at least one World Language. Mr. Jackson reported to Board Members that as of March 30, 2015 he has conducted 25 budget presentations. Mr. Jackson also updated Board Members on the School Calendar Flexibility Bill. After some discussion, Mr. Jackson answered questions from Board Members related to the School Calendar Flexibility Bills and the funding of charter schools.

CONSIDER:

Proposed 2014-2015 School Calendar Changes - Mr. Jackson presented Board Members with a revised 2014-2015 School Calendar. A motion was made by Gil Burroughs to approve the revised calendar as presented, with a second by Ricky Browder. The motion carried unanimously.

Drivers Education Resolution - Mr. Guard presented Board Members with a Resolution Concerning Drivers Education Funding. A motion was made by Gene Jordan to adopt the resolution, with a second by Jean Bunch. The motion carried unanimously.

Proposed Three Year Capital Outlay Plan - Mr. Jackson, and Brad Bass, Director of Maintenance and Transportation, gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining the Proposed Three Year Capital Outlay Plan and answered questions from Board Members.

2015-2016 Local Current Expense Request - Mr. Jackson, and Emma Berry, Chief Finance Officer, gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining the 2015-2016 Local Current Expense Request and answered questions from Board Members. The Board agreed to include the Technology Budget Request with the Local Budget Request.

2015-2016 Local Capital Outlay Request - Mr. Jackson and Emma Berry gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining the 2015-2016 Local Capital Outlay Request and answered questions from Board Members.

A motion was made by Glorious Elliott to accept the Proposed Three Year Capital Outlay Plan, 2015-2016 Local Current Expense Request and 2015-2016 Local Capital Outlay

Request and to submit the information to the Chowan County Commissioners on April 2, 2015. A second to the motion was made by Gil Burroughs. The motion carried unanimously.

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

- March 2, 2015 Board Minutes
- March 2015 Personnel Report
- School Board Report - July 2014 - March 2015
- Chowan Middle School Envirothon Team Overnight Trip Request

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/REMARKS:

Jean Bunch expressed her appreciation to the Chowan County Sheriff's Office for their assistance in directing traffic at the White Oak/DF Walker intersection of Sandy Ridge Road and Highway 32. Board Members also mentioned the new retail store at the same intersection which would be opening soon and commented on the impact it could have on the traffic situation. Mr. Jackson has discussed the concern of the intersection with Sheriff Goodwin and will follow-up with him again once the store opens.

Mr. Jackson reminded Board Members of the joint meeting with the Chowan County Commissioners which will be held on April 13, 2015 at 9:30 am at the Shepard Pruden Memorial Library.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Gil Burroughs, with a second by Glorious Elliott. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Guard, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Secretary