

Edenton-Chowan Schools  
Board of Education Meeting  
Tuesday, May 14, 2019  
6:30 p.m.

Chowan Middle School  
2845 Virginia Rd.  
Tyner, NC 27980

## MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 6:30 p.m., in the Chowan Middle School Media Center with the following Board Members present: Chairman Gene Jordan, Vice-Chair Jean Bunch, Ricky Browder, Gil Burroughs, Paul Clifton, Maxine Mason, Joan White, and Superintendent Dr. Rob Jackson.

Others present were: Directors representing Central Services; White Oak Elementary School Principal Sheila Evans; D.F. Walker Elementary School Principal Michelle White; Chowan Middle School Principal Alton Campbell; John A. Holmes High School Principal Steve Wood; Members of the Community; Deputy Heather Matthews; Board Attorney Hack High; and Board Clerk Sarah Hare.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jordan.

The invocation was given by Chairman Jordan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by students from John A. Holmes High School.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Mrs. White to approve the agenda as amended to include a closed session. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. Bunch. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Education recognized the following students and groups:

White Oak Elementary School

White Oak Elementary School - Recipient of the JumpStart Grant

## NCTIES Student Showcase Students

### D.F. Walker Elementary School

Odyssey of the Mind Team

Maycee Hughes - Recipient of the Community Action Hero Award

Madelyn Dale and Avery White - First Place Winners of the NC Federation of Woman's Club Writing Contest

### Chowan Middle School

Olivia Armstead - Competed in the National History Competition

Envirothon Team

Battle of the Books Team

There were no requests to address the Board.

### REPORT:

Project Planning - Mr. Rick Ott, Senior Executive Vice President, M.B. Kahn Construction Company and Dr. John B. Dunn, presented information on the role of construction management in building a school, what a Facilities Study might entail, and answered questions from Board Members.

Consolidated Data Report - Dr. Jackson shared the 2017-2018 Consolidated Data Report with Board Members and answered questions.

Strategic Plan - Goal Five Update - Mr. Kerry Mebane, Chief Technology Officer, updated the Board on the school system's progress on Goal Five of the Edenton-Chowan Schools Strategic Plan and answered questions from Board Members.

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

Two John A. Holmes High School Students recently received their Associates Degree from College of the Albemarle prior to graduating from high school.

The John A. Holmes High School SkillsUSA students recently competed in the State Competition. Several students placed in various categories. The Web Design team consisting of Kevin Miller and Austin Hackney placed First in the State Competition and will be advancing to the National Competition. Jonathan Felix placed First in Screen Printing.

Jhasi Gilliam and Wes Privott recently received the “Heart of a Champion” Award for their outstanding sportsmanship in high school athletics.

John A. Holmes High School and Chowan Middle School plan to implement the Second Chance breakfast in the 2019-2020 school year.

Dr. Jackson gave the Board an update on two new policies that the North Carolina High School Athletic Association recently passed. The first new policy is related to homeschool students participating in high school athletics and the second policy is related to transgender students participating in high school athletics.

Dr. Jackson also gave the Board an update on the Demographic Study Request.

Dr. Jackson reported that he had approved two Overnight Field Trip Requests that occurred since the last Board Meeting; one for the John A. Holmes High School Golf Team and the other for the Chowan Middle School Envirothon Team.

#### CONSIDER:

2019-2020 Breakfast and Lunch Meal Prices - Ms. Stephanie Patsel, Director of Child Nutrition, presented her recommendation to maintain breakfast and lunch prices at the same level for the 2019-2020 school year. A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to maintain breakfast and lunch prices as recommended for the 2019-2020 school year. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. White. The motion carried unanimously.

2019-2020 Board of Education Meeting Schedule - Chairman Jordan shared the proposed 2019-2020 Board of Education Meeting Schedule with Board Members. A motion was made by Mrs. Bunch to approve the 2019-2020 Board of Education Meeting Schedule as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Clifton. The motion carried unanimously.

School Justice Partnership Interagency Agreement - Dr. Jackson presented the School Justice Partnership Interagency Agreement to the Board for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Browder to approve the School Justice Partnership Interagency Agreement 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. Bunch. The motion carried unanimously.

#### 1 - Minutes

- April 2, 2019 Board Minutes
- April 16, 2019 Board Minutes

#### 2 - Personnel Report

- May 14, 2019 Personnel Report

#### 3 - Financial Report

- School Board Report - May 2019

#### 4 - Teacher-on-Loan

#### 5 - John A. Holmes High School Overnight Field Trip Request - Track Team

A motion was made by Mrs. White to enter into a closed session at 8:40 pm to discuss a personnel matter as permitted by North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (6) and to consult with the Board Attorney as permitted by North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (3). A second to the motion was made by Mrs. Mason. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open session at 9:59 pm. A motion was made by Mr. Burroughs to approve Dr. Jackson's recommendation to hire Dr. Michael Sasscer as the Assistant Superintendent of Edenton-Chowan Schools. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Browder. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS/COMMENTS:

Mr. Burroughs commented on the following:

- Demographics Study/Presentation
- Student Recognitions
- Second Chance Breakfast
- Reading Advisory Group

Chairman Jordan commented on the following:

- Project Planning

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 10:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Jordan, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Ed.D., Secretary