

Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education  
Tuesday, November 6, 2018  
6:30 p.m.

College of the Albemarle  
Culinary Building  
118 Blades St.  
Edenton, NC 27932

## MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, 6:30 p.m., in the College of the Albemarle Culinary Building with the following Board Members present: Chairman Gene Jordan, Vice-Chair Jean Bunch, Ricky Browder, Gil Burroughs, Glorious Elliott, Joan White, and Superintendent Dr. Rob Jackson. Paul Clifton was absent.

Others present were: Assistant Superintendent Tanya Turner; Directors representing Central Services; John A. Holmes High School Principal Steve Wood; D.F. Walker Elementary School Principal Michelle White; White Oak Elementary School Principal Sheila Evans; 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.

The invocation was given by Mr. Burroughs.

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Mrs. Elliott to approve the agenda as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Burroughs. The motion carried unanimously.

**RECOGNITIONS:** The Board recognized the following schools for meeting academic growth during the 2017-2018 school year:

White Oak Elementary School  
D.F. Walker Elementary School  
John A. Holmes High School

Chairman Jordan and the Board recognized Mrs. Glorious Elliott on her upcoming retirement from the Board of Education. Mrs. Elliott has faithfully served on the Board of Education for 21 years.

There were no requests to address the Board.

#### REPORT:

Kindergarten Readiness Report - Mrs. Sheila Evans, Principal of White Oak Elementary School, presented the Kindergarten Readiness Report and answered questions from Board Members.

Digital Learning Initiative Grant Update - Mr. Kerry Mebane, Chief Technology Officer, gave the Board an update on the Digital Learning Initiative Grant.

Chowan County Debt Service Update - Dr. Rob Jackson, Superintendent, gave the Board an update on Chowan County's Debt Service, based upon a recent meeting that he attended.

NCSBA Annual Conference - Mrs. Sarah Hare, Board Clerk, provided Board Members with information related to the North Carolina School Boards Association Annual Conference that will be held November 12-14, 2018 in Greensboro, NC.

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

Our month 2 enrollment numbers indicate that we grew by 3 students last month. We have 9 students less than this same time last year.

Congratulations to Beverly Harrison (John A. Holmes High School); Jennifer Hobbs (Chowan Middle School); and Penny Price (White Oak Elementary School) who have all successfully renewed their National Board Certification.

The first morning of the ACT Blitz was a success with 104 of our 150 high school Juniors attending. This represents 70% of the class.

The John A. Holmes High School Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) students, led by Ms. Casey Spear and Ms. Brittany Palmer, competed in the Regional

Competition. Four students earned First Place in the competition and eight additional students placed, earning the right to advance to the State Competition.

During the competition at Pasquotank High School, the Marching Aces earned:

1st Place Percussion  
1st Place Visual  
1st Place General Effect  
1st Place Musical Performance  
1st Place Overall Band in Class 2A

Congratulations to the following teams who have earned Conference Championships this fall season:

Chowan Middle School Volleyball  
Chowan Middle School Soccer  
Chowan Middle School Football  
Chowan Middle School Cross Country  
John A. Holmes High School Women's Tennis  
John A. Holmes High School JV Football  
John A. Holmes High school Football

The NEAAAT School billed the school system for 71 students in September. One student has since returned. This results in a monthly bill of \$12,637.80.

2 Chowan County students are attending the NC Connections Virtual Charter School.

4 students are attending the NC Virtual Academy.

CONSIDER:

2018-2019 - School Calendar Revision - Dr. Rob Jackson, Superintendent, presented a proposed revision to the 2018-2019 School Calendar. As permitted by Session Law 2018-135, Dr. Jackson recommended that students and staff not be required to make up time missed due to Hurricane Florence. The days that were missed will be deemed as complete. A motion was made by Mrs. White to approve Dr. Jackson's recommendation as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Burroughs. The motion carried unanimously.

## CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Mrs. Elliott to approve the following items on the consent agenda. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. White. The motion carried unanimously.

### 1 - Minutes

- October 2, 2018 Board Minutes
- October 22, 2018 Board Minutes

### 2 - Personnel Report

- November 6, 2018 Personnel Report

### 3 - Financial Report

- School Board Report - November 2018

### 4 - Physical Therapy Services Contract

### 5 - Visually Impaired Services Contract

## BOARD MEMBER REMARKS/COMMENTS:

Mr. Burroughs commented on the following:

- Huts at John A. Holmes High School

A motion was made by Mrs. Elliott to enter into a closed session at 8:23 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. White. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open session at 8:26 pm.

A motion was made by Mrs. Elliott to extend Assistant Superintendent Tanya Turner's contract by one year to June 30, 2022 to align with the termination date of the Superintendent's existing contract. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. White. The motion carried unanimously.

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 Mrs. Elliott. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Jordan, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Ed.D., Secretary