

Edenton-Chowan Schools
Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, September 10, 2024
6:30 p.m.

Edenton-Chowan Schools
Professional Development Center
109 Blade Street
Edenton, NC 27932

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Edenton-Chowan Schools Professional Development Center. The following Board Members were present: Chairman Gene Jordan, Vice-Chair Ricky Browder, Sherronne Battle, Paul Clifton, George Lewis, Lisa Perry, Joan White, and Interim Superintendent Rick Stout.

Others attending the meeting were: Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Auxiliary Services Dr. Jana Rawls, Directors representing Central Services, Community Members, Board Attorney Robert Daniel, Student Board Members Olivia Armstead and Sela McNair, and Board Clerk Sarah Hare.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jordan.

Ms. White gave the invocation.

The pledge of allegiance was led by students from John A. Holmes High School.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Mr. Browder to amend the agenda to remove the accountability results and the SRO Agreement. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Lewis. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Olivia Armstead and Ms. Sela McNair presented their student board member report.

Superintendent's Report - Mr. Stout presented his monthly report which included the following items:

The 2024-25 school year has gotten off to a great start. Our students have been engaged in transforming experiences in the classroom. Our teachers, coaches and

staff are continuing to create opportunities for our students to shine while holding them accountable to excellence.

Builder Services completed the cleaning that was necessary at White Oak Elementary and D. F. Walker Elementary. An air quality test was performed and passed inspection.

A Board of Education Work Session is planned for September 17, 2024 to share the following items:

- 2023-24 accountability results
- School performance update
- School Improvement Plans

Students from the John A. Holmes High School Herren Club shared information about Purple Out Week.

Mr. Gil Burroughs spoke during public board dialogue.

REPORT:

Construction Update - Mr. Chris Brabble, Director of Maintenance, shared an update and aerial video of the high school construction progress and answered questions from Board Members.

North Carolina School Boards Association Annual Conference - Ms. Sarah Hare, Board Clerk, shared information about the upcoming annual conference that will be held in Greensboro November 18-20.

CONSIDER

School Fundraisers - Mr. Stout and the Principals presented the proposed fundraisers for the 2024-25 school year to the Board for consideration. A motion was made by Ms. Perry to approve the fundraisers for the 2024-25 school year as presented. A second to the motion was made by Ms. White. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Perry to approve the following items on the consent agenda. A second to the motion was made by Ms. Battle. The motion carried unanimously.

1 - Minutes

- August 13, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes
- August 21, 2024 Emergency Board Meeting Minutes
- August 29, 2024 Special Board Meeting Minutes

2 - Personnel Report

- September 10, 2024 Personnel Report

3 - Financial Report

- School Report - July and August 2024

4 - John A. Holmes High School Overnight Field Trip Request - FFA

There were no additional board member remarks/comments.

A motion was made by Mr. Clifton at 7:00 p.m. to enter into a closed session to discuss a confidential matter as permitted by North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (a) (1). A second to the motion was made by Ms. Perry. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open session at 7:07 p.m. No action was taken.

With there being no further discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Battle to adjourn the meeting. A second to the motion was made by Ms. Perry. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Jordan, Chairman

Rick Stout, Secretary