

Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education
Tuesday, September 11, 2018 6:30 p.m.
College of the Albemarle Culinary Building

MINUTES

The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, September 11, 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, Paul Clifton, Glorious Elliott, Joan White, and Superintendent Dr. Rob Jackson.

Others present were: Assistant Superintendent Tanya Turner; Directors representing Central Services; 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 Board observed a moment of silence in Honor of Patriot Day and the victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks.

The invocation was given by Ricky Browder.

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

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

Public Board Dialogue: Mr. Antonio Rook, Director of the NC Math and Science Education Network (NC-MSEN) at Elizabeth City State University, discussed the program's desire to connect with middle school students by offering summer programs.

REPORT:

Vidant Chowan Hospital Community Update - Mr. Brian Harvill, President of Vidant Chowan Hospital, gave the Board an update on Vidant Chowan Hospital and answered questions from Board Members.

NCSBA Annual Conference and NSBA National Conference Information - 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 and the National School Boards Association Annual Conference that will be held March 30 - April 1, 2019 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Board of Education/Board of County Commissioners Joint Committee on High School Replacement Update - Chairman Jordan, Mr. Browder and Mr. Clifton gave the Board an update from the Board of Education/Board of County Commissioners Joint Committee Meeting that was held on August 13, 2018.

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

D.F. Walker Elementary School met expected growth and received a performance grade of a C. The school exceeded the state average in overall school performance.

Chowan Middle School received a performance grade of a C and did not meet expected growth. The school improved their math performance score by 8 percentage points from 46 to 54. The students met growth in math in grades 6-8.

John A. Holmes High School received a performance score of a C. The school met growth for the first time since 2012 and the school's overall achievement score was higher than the state average. The school increased the percentage of students who are college and career-ready by 3 percentage points. The ACT scores improved in most all tested areas and the overall score of students scoring a UNC minimum admission requirement of 17 or higher went up as well.

Our current enrollment is 1,932. This is down 25 students from last year despite a larger kindergarten class.

Dr. Jackson also shared the latest update on Hurricane Florence as of 5:00 pm on September 11, 2018.

CONSIDER:

2018-2019 Local Budget - Mrs. Emma Berry, Chief Finance Officer, presented the 2018-2019 Local Budget to the Board for consideration. A motion was made by Mrs.

Elliott to approve the 2018-2019 Local Budget as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Burroughs. The motion carried unanimously.

School Resource Officer Memorandum of Agreement - Dr. Jackson presented the 2018-2019 School Resource Officer Memorandum of Agreement to the Board for their consideration. A motion was made by Mr. Browder to approve the School Resource Officer Memorandum of Agreement as presented. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. Bunch. 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

- August 7, 2018 Board Minutes

2 - Personnel Report

- September 11, 2018 Personnel Report

3 - Financial Report

- School Board Report - September 2018

4 - Contract for Speech-Language Pathologist Services

5 - Beginning Teacher Plan Amendment

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS/COMMENTS:

Mr. Jordan comment on the following:

- Sessions attended at District Meeting

A motion was made by Mrs. Elliott to enter into a closed session at 7:38 p.m. to discuss personnel matters as permitted by North Carolina General Statutes §115C-319 and §115C-321. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Clifton. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board returned to open session at 8:35 pm. A motion was made by Mrs. Elliott to terminate the employment of Kimwana Bowers. A second to the motion was made by Mrs. White. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Jackson expressed his appreciation to the Board for the opportunity to serve the students and staff of Chowan County.

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 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Jordan, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Ed.D., Secretary