

BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Diane L. Frost, Superintendent



Asheboro City Schools

...the subject is excellence!

December 10, 2009

Opening

Chairman Kidd called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

Phillip Cheek delivered the invocation and Asheboro High School student, Monica Elliott, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A revised meeting agenda was unanimously approved by the Board.

Special Recognition and Presentations

Superintendent Diane Frost announced Tracy Recendez, 4th grade student at Balfour Elementary School, is the 2009 Holiday Art Award winner. Tracy received a \$100 savings bond along with her original framed artwork.

Asheboro High School teachers shared the purpose and process of Public Service Announcement Projects completed by students in Asheboro High School Civics and Economics classes.

Swearing in Ceremony

County Commissioner Chairman J. Harold Holmes, administered the Board of Education oath of office to Joyce Harrington, Derek Robbins, Archie Priest, Jr. and Chris Yow. They will serve a six year term as re-elected members to the Asheboro City Board of Education.

Public Comments

Chairman Kidd opened the floor to public comments. No one signed up to address the Board.

Consent Agenda

The following items under the Consent Agenda were approved:

*Approval of Minutes – November 12, 2009

*Personnel

Resignations/Retirements/Separations

<u>Name</u>	<u>School /Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>
Thomas, Tony	South Asheboro Middle/Custodian (part-time)	11/13/09
Sheppard, Elizabeth	South Asheboro Middle/Data Manager/Treasurer	11/27/09

<u>Name</u>	<u>School /Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>
Sanders, Marta	Early Childhood Development Center/Speech Language	01/04/10

Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>School /Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>
Rush, Monica	Central Office/Bus Driver	10/30/09
Brown, Tiffany	Donna L. Loflin/ Teacher Assistant	11/09/09
Brewer, Renee	South Asheboro Middle/Teacher Assistant	11/13/09
Washington, Rhonda	Asheboro High/ Science	11/16/09
Kern, EllaMae	Asheboro High/ Teacher Assistant (part-time)	11/17/09
Coleman, Staci	McCrary/Teacher Assistant	12/01/09
Watts, Amber	McCrary/ Pre-kindergarten teacher	01/04/10

Transfers

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>
Burian, Johanna	Teachey/Translator/ Interpreter to Balfour/ Translator/Interpreter	11/09/09
Loechle- Yuzzely, Lizbel	Loflin/Teacher Asst. to TBD/Translator/Interpreter	11/09/09

Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Icenhour, Udenia	Teachey/Teacher Assistant	3/01/10-6/4/10

Information, Reports and Recommendations

Mize Mize, Director of Maintenance and Facilities, presented information on energy consumption.

Marty Williams shared the vision and goals of a planning committee formed to work on implementing an innovative and student-centered initiative to meet the needs of today's digital learners. The goals of the committee are: 1) to transform and improve the delivery of instruction by leveraging the benefits of a 1 to 1 computer environment; 2) to increase student achievement, engagement, and promote development of 21st Century skills; 3) to develop and support equitable opportunities for student learning through the use of technology as an extension to the classroom; and 4) to prepare students to be safe, ethical, and responsible digital citizens.

Dr. Allgood reported on a timeline for the development of a 2011-2012 Calendar. A calendar proposal will be presented for board approval at the February 18, 2010 board meeting. Members of the Board gave the go ahead to proceed with the development of the 2011-2012 Calendar.

Action Items

Following a 30-day review, board members unanimously approved the following policies: Policy 4333 – Weapons, Bomb Threats, Terrorist Threats and Clear Threats to Safety and Policy 4353 – Long-Term Suspension, 365 Day Suspension, Expulsion.

Dr. Dot Harper presented proposed Asheboro High School math courses as follows for board approval: Integrated Mathematics I; Integrated Mathematics II; and Integrated Mathematics III. This would align with newly adopted state standards and assessments for high school mathematics. The Board unanimously approved the three courses as presented.

Dr. Diane Frost requested approval to continue membership in the NC City Schools Consortium in which two years ago a lobbyist was hired as a consultant to monitor and give support to the city schools during legislative proceedings on funding of one school system per county. The Board unanimously approved the request to continue the membership for 2010.

Dr. Frost reported on a competitive federal grant program (Race to the Top) administered by the U. S. Department of Education. If North Carolina receives one of the grants the State could receive up to \$400,000,000 over a four-year period. The impact on Asheboro City Schools could be: additional funding (\$300,000 per year for four years) to support North Carolina's strategic improvement goals; requires Memorandum of Understanding signed by Board Chair, Superintendent, and NCAE President; participation required; and an opportunity to move Asheboro City Schools' agenda forward further and faster regarding essential standards, 21st century curriculum, benchmark assessments, and technology tools integrated into learning. State applications are due January 19, 2010 and awards will be announced April, 2010. The Board unanimously approved a request by Superintendent Frost to participate in applying for a grant.

Superintendent's Report/Calendar of Events

Carla Freemyer shared *Points of Pride*: Les Miserables performance by the Park Street Players;

National AVID certification at North and South Asheboro Middle Schools; 11 new National Board certified teachers; Health Advisory Council sponsored Community Fun Walk; and Board member Joyce Harrington appointed to NCSBA All-State Board.

Ms. Freemyer shared the Calendar of Events highlighting the following: Chorus Concert at North Asheboro Middle, December 21; Superintendent's Holiday Lunch, December 21; Middle School Science Fair, January 14; Board Appreciation Lunch, January 22; and Legislative Breakfast, January 29.

Reorganization of the Board

Superintendent Frost presided over chairmanship nominations with Ms. Gidget Kidd being nominated and elected as chairman. Ms. Jane Redding was nominated and elected as vice chairman.

Board member Derek Robbins thanked members and those in attendance for bringing canned goods to be distributed to the Christians United Outreach Center and suggested this become an annual event for the December board meetings.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

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