# **BOARD BRIEFS**

Dr. Diane L. Frost, Superintendent

# Asheboro City Schools

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# **January 8, 2009**

#### **Opening**

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

The Board unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

# **Special Recognition and Presentations**

Ms. Carla Freemyer recognized Mr. Dennis Garcia and the Courier-Tribune for their annual athletic tournaments, their dedication to student athletes, and the financial contributions made back to the school.

The Media and Technology Advisory Team from North Asheboro Middle School presented information on how they are implementing new trends in presenting staff development.

Ms. Jennifer Smith recognized the latest National Board for Professional Standards recipients who have successfully completed the rigorous program including: Brenda Kern and Nikki Taylor Domally, Asheboro High School; Bethann Fravel, South Asheboro Middle; Claudia Marini and Angela Dawkins, Guy B. Teachey; Sheena Wisnasky, Elisabeth Bernhardt, and Sheral Vang, Donna Lee Loflin; and Alice Johnson (renewal), Guy B. Teachey.

#### **Public Comments**

Chairman Kidd opened the floor to public comments. Ms. Candy Brooks thanked the Board for revisiting their proposed change to Policy 5030, Use of Facilities.

#### **Consent Agenda**

The following items under the Consent Agenda were approved:

Approval of Minutes – December 11, 2008 Personnel

#### **Resignations/Retirements/Separations**

Name	School/Subject	Effective	į
McDowell, Chris	AHS/Teacher Assistant	12/31/08	3
Tarver, Rosalind	Teachey/ Kindergarten	2/6/09	

# Appointments

<u>Name</u>	School/Subject	<b>Effective</b>
Smith, Chameeka	AHS/Technology Ed.	1/5/09
Thomas, Tony	SAMS/Custodian/P-T	1/7/09
Perdue, Karen	Teachey/TA/part-time	1/7/09
Kingston, Chris	AHS/Teacher Assistant	1/21/09
Smith, Megan	Loflin/Gifted Ed.	2/1/09
Gallimore, Bridget	Substitute	12/15/08
Haga, Dennis	Substitute	1/6/09
Brewer, Greg	Substitute	1/6/09
Anderson, Daniel	Substitute	1/6/09
Anderson, Tiffany	Substitute	1/6/09
Clayton, Ronald	Substitute	1/6/09
Craven, Kevin	Substitute	1/6/09
Crews, Bryon	Substitute	1/6/09
Federhart, Caitlin	Substitute	1/6/09
Fields, Angela	Substitute	1/6/09
Phelps, Amanda	Substitute	1/6/09
Poindexter, Vickie	Substitute	1/6/09
Luther, Casey	Substitute	2/1/09

# **Information, Reports and Recommendations**

Ms. Carla Freemyer presented an update on the "Be There" Campaign, a campaign that encourages parents to get involved in the education of their children.

Dr. Tim Allgood updated the teacher turnover report for the period beginning March 2007 to February 2008. The teacher turnover rate at the end of February was 14.7% in the Asheboro City Schools. North Carolina's teacher turnover rate was 13.9%.

Dr. Hazel Frick presented the following policies for 30-day review:

Policy 2330, Board Meeting Agenda – Added to the existing policy is the statement that "a board member may request to have an item placed on the agenda with notification of no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting date."

Policy 5030, Community Use of Facilities – The policy contains updates to the use of school facilities by non-profit community groups.

Policy 7410, Career Status – Two additions have been made to the policy which outline the procedures for the granting and denial of career status. Upon acceptance of employment with Asheboro City Schools, a teacher that has returned to teaching after leaving the profession or has changed school districts will be required to serve a one-year probationary period except where the school board determines that a shorter probationary period is acceptable. The board will vote on the granting of career status and will notify the teacher of its decision in writing.

Policy 7430, Substitute Teachers – Included in the policy is all applicants for substitute teaching positions are subject to Board Policy 7100, Recruitment and Selection of Personnel, and administrative procedures.

# **Action Items**

Following a 30-day review, the Board approved the following policies: Policy 3470/4305 – Alternative Learning Programs/Schools; Policy 5022 - Registered Sex Offenders; and Policy 4260 – Student Sex Offenders.

Dr. Dot Harper presented the following proposed course additions and changes for the 2009-2010 school year: Sports and Entertainment Marketing II; Travel, Tourism, and Recreation Marketing; Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) for 9<sup>th</sup> graders; AP Chemistry (Zoo School); and Teacher Cadet-Honors. All courses were unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board unanimously approved the 2007-2008 Audit as presented by Mr. Harold Blair. The audit was conducted and received an unqualified opinion from the accounting firm of Cherry, Bekaert & Holland.

# **Superintendent's Report/Calendar of Events**

Dr. Diane Frost reminded the Board of two important dates: Legislative Breakfast on January 15th and the Board Appreciation Luncheon on January 22nd.

Ms. Freemyer shared *Calendar of Events* highlighting important dates to remember: The middle school science fair, North Asheboro Middle School, January 28; FAN Workshops, Professional Development Center, February 9 at 6:30pm and February 10 at 12:00 noon; and the District Spelling Bee, Professional Development Center, February 17.

Chairman Kidd provided new board committee assignments for 2009.

Board members received an agenda for the Winter Board Retreat to be held February  $6^{th}$  – 8th.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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