

BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Diane L. Frost, Superintendent



Asheboro City Schools

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October 9, 2008

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 Ms. Nancy Landis and Ms. Mary Gardner with the Randolph County Job Link Career Center. She thanked them for the services they make available to students of Asheboro City Schools such as providing them the opportunity to take the Work Keys placement test to assess their job readiness skills and the Key Train tutorial.

Ms. April Thompson, GEAR UP Coordinator, along with several students, shared summer enrichment experiences at different colleges as well as their trip to Atlanta. GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) is designed to increase the number of low-income students who are prepared to enter and succeed in postsecondary education.

Public Comments

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

Mr. Kurt Sullivan, parent of a senior, came before the Board requesting that graduation for 2009 be moved to June 12, 2009 and graduation for 2010 be moved to June 11, 2010 with both graduations being held either early morning or evening.

A motion was made to change graduation to June 12, 2009 at 9:00am by Mr. Derek Robbins, seconded by Mr. Kyle Lamb. Ms. Jane Redding presented a motion, seconded by Mr. Phillip Cheek, to table the matter for a committee review until the November meeting. The motion passed 8 to 2 with Mr. Robbins and Mr. Lamb voting against the motion.

Consent Agenda

The following items under the consent agenda were approved:

Approval of Minutes – September 4 & 11, 2008

Personnel

Resignations/Retirements/Separations

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Hilaro, Rocky	SAMS/Custodian/P-T	8/15/08
Bonkowski, Amanda	Balfour/Grade 2	9/26/08
Van Dam, Julie	McCrary/Grade 5	10/22/08
Nahill, Stephanie	Loflin/Teacher Assistant	10/17/08
Derr, Jacqueline	NAMS/Gifted Education	1/30/09

Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jones, Jasmin	SAMS/Teacher Assistant	9/16/08
Dehart, Jeremy	Teachey/Custodian	9/24/08
Harvey, Katie	Lindley Park/Grade 1	9/30/08
Tarver, Rosalind	Teachey/Kindergarten	9/30/08
Fenech, Ilona	Lindley Park/Teacher Assistant	9/30/08
Salabak, Cassandra	Lindley Park/Teachey/ English as a Second Language	10/16/08
Gulcin, Rebecca	McCrary/Grade 5	12/8/08
Griffith, Sue	Substitute	9/22/08
McNair-Price, Destria	Substitute	9/22/08
Christian, Kimberly	Substitute	9/25/08
Church, Leigh Ann	Asheboro High/Family & Consumer Science	10/14/08
Wilson, Jared	Substitute	9/26/08
Park, Lisa	Substitute	9/26/08
Perdue, Karen	Substitute	9/26/08
Gibson, Jr. James	Substitute	9/26/08
Dowdy, Michael	Substitute	9/26/08
Dayton, Emily	Substitute	9/26/08
McClelland, James	Substitute	9/26/08
McClelland, Karen	Substitute	9/26/08
Knighten, Joyce	Substitute	9/26/08

Transfers

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Holland, Laura	Asheboro High/Family & Consumer Science to McCrary/Media Overnight Field Trip-Yearbook/Journalism to New York City	TBD

Budget Amendments

Discards

Information, Reports and Recommendations

Mr. Mike Mize presented a report on summer facilities projects. Two of the major projects were renovations to make space available on the Asheboro High School campus for the Alternative Learning Program and restoration of the South Asheboro Middle School track.

Dr. Diane Frost reported on the new Principal Evaluation Process for North Carolina's Public School Principals. The principal performance evaluation process will serve as a guide for principals as they reflect upon and improve their effectiveness as school leaders; inform higher education programs in developing the content and requirements of degree programs that prepare future principals; focus the goals and objectives of districts as they support, monitor and evaluate their principals; guide professional development for principals; and serve as a tool in developing coaching and mentoring programs for principals.

Dr. Hazel Frick presented the following policies for 30-day review: Policy 1755/7237, Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure for Employees. The policy provides the procedure to be followed when an employee believes he/she has been the subject of sexual harassment. The grievance procedure for the employee has been changed to clarify terms and definitions. Policy 5030, Community Use of Facilities, contains detailed updates and clarifications to the use of school facilities by community groups based on the goals of the Community Schools Act and outlines who may use facilities and the fees that will be charged.

Action Items

Middle and high school principals presented continuous improvement plans highlighting the schools' goals for the 2008-2009 school year. The Board unanimously approved the goals as presented.

Board member, Joyce Harrington, reported on a ruling by Judge Manning of Wake County Superior Court that various state agencies owe \$747 million to local school systems across North Carolina. Ms. Harrington requested that members of the Board submit a letter of support to local legislators sharing the Board's expectations to receive the system's share of the fines and forfeitures ruling based on the Judge Manning ruling. The Board unanimously approved submitting the letter of support.

Ms. Marty Williams presented a revised technology plan for 2008-2013. The plan will serve as a guide as

Asheboro City Schools strive to create a 21st Century education system that prepares students to excel in global skills while being taught by 21st Century professionals in a technology-rich environment. The Board unanimously approved the new plan.

Chairman Kidd requested approval of the Board to continue membership in the NC City Schools Consortium formed last year in which 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.

The Board unanimously approved two policies as submitted at the September meeting for 30-day review: Policy 1760/7280, Prohibition against Retaliation, and Policy 7265, Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Science Laboratories.

Superintendent's Report/Calendar of Events

Superintendent Frost reminded members of the North Carolina School Boards Association's Annual Conference being held November 10 through 12, 2008 in Greensboro.

Ms. Carla Freemyer shared Calendar of Events highlighting the following: Powder Puff football game, October 13, 2008; Asheboro High School homecoming game, October 17, 2008; Asheboro High School Theatre Class presentations of 2 one-act plays, October 18, 2008; FAN workshops – Preparing Your Child Academically for Success, November 14 & 17, 2008; and the Asheboro High School Park Street Players presentation of the musical, Aida, November 20-22, 2008 at 7:00pm and November 23, 2008 at 2:00pm.

Ms. Freemyer shared *Points of Pride* highlighting 64 Lindley Park students completing summer reading challenge; FAN workshops being launched for parents; and the Asheboro High School Hall of Fame induction.

Board Operations/Committee Reports

Dr. Frost shared dates for all PTO/PTA presentations regarding the strategic plan updates and requested the Board's participation at the events.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:25pm.

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