BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Diane L. Frost, Superintendent

BRIEFS Asheboro City Schools

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January 12, 2012

Opening

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

Kyle Lamb gave the invocation and Jace Voss, 5th Grade student at Lindley Park Elementary School, led the pledge of allegiance.

The Board unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

Special Recognition and Presentations

Carla Freemyer recognized the Central Boys & Girls Club for its service to the students of Asheboro City. Club staff served 190 youth at three schools in our system for a total of 214 hours during the 2010-11 school year. A certificate of appreciation was presented to Thomas Falgout, President/CEO of Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater High Point, and Elbert Lassiter, Central B & G Club Branch Board Chair.

The Board of Education's spotlight was Lindley Park Elementary whose presentation focused on science instruction and also showcased technology through "Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader?" using Senteos technology devices. A short video that showed the many uses of technology in the classroom was also presented.

Dr. Diane Frost was recognized for being selected as a finalist for the 2012 National Superintendent of the Year.

In recognition of Board Appreciation Month, Superintendent Diane Frost thanked members of the Board for their dedication and support to the students of Asheboro City Schools. Carla Freemyer also thanked the board members and introduced a "Thank You" video dedicated to the Asheboro City Board of Education.

Public Comments

Chairman Redding 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 – December 8, 2011, and December 21, 2011

*Personnel

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/SEPARATIONS

<u>Name</u>	School/Subject	Effective
Craven, Donna	LP/Instructional Asst.	1/6/12
Kite, Janice	CO/Lead Teacher	4/30/12
Malone, Sara	DLL/Kindergarten	12/30/11
Robb, Heather	NAMS/Special Ed.	2/3/12

APPOINTMENTS

Name	School/Subject	Effective
Bunch, Kateland	AHS/Social Studies	2/1/12
Carter, Kevin	NAMS/Custodian	1/9/12
Cox, Forrest	GBT/Head Custodian	1/9/12
Feary, Colleen	DLL/Kindergarten	1/3/12
Smith, Leslie	LP/Instructional Asst.	1/3/12
Varner, Christina	CO/Benefits/Acct.	1/3/12
Watkins, Donnie	AHS/Grad. Coach	2/6/12
Baxter, Crystal	LP/Instructional Asst.	1/9/12
Brooks, Vanessa	Sub \$90.00 day	1/4/12
Derrick, Patricia	Sub \$90.00 day	1/10/12
Mabe, Cynthia	Sub \$90.00 day	1/17/12
Church, Mary Ann	Sub \$90.00 per day	1/17/12
Craig, Nicole	Sub \$69.00 per day	1/17/12
Willett, Ruth	Sub \$69.00 per day	1/17/12

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

<u>Name</u>	School/Subject	Date
Brown, Jessica B.	LP/Instructional Asst.	1/17 –
Steward, Denia	BAL/Instructional Asst.	5/4/12 1/10 –
		4/25/12

TRANSERS

<u>Name</u>	School/Subject	Date
Brewer, Sheila	AHS/Social Studies to	1/17/12
	BAL/Gifted Education	

*City Schools Consortium Acknowledgement and Commitment

*403b/457 Plan Administration Services Agreement -Amendment

^{*}Budget Calendar for 2012-13 Budget

^{*457} Retirement Plan Resolution-Amendment

Information, Reports and Recommendations

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

- Policy 1610/7800 Professional and Staff Dev.
- Policy 4050 Children of Military Families
- Policy 7130 Licensure
- Policy 7810 Evaluation of Licensed Employees
- Policy 7811 Plans for Growth and Improvement of Licensed Employees

Action Items

Following a 30-day review, board members unanimously approved the following board policies:

- Policy 3300 School Calendar and Time for Learning
- Policy 3530 Citizenship and Character Education
- Policy 4100 Age Requirements for Initial Entry
- Policy 4155 Assignment to Classes
- Policy 4335 Criminal Behavior
- Policy 7240 Drug-Free and Alcohol-Free Workplace

The Board unanimously approved changing the April Board Meeting from April 12 to April 19, 2012.

Dr. Allgood showed a PowerPoint presentation on Mandatory Improvement Plans as required by Senate Bill 466, effective July 1, 2011. This bill replaces action plans, formerly required for teachers with poor performance in low-performing schools, with Mandatory Improvement Plans. As a part of MIP, a teacher has the right to be observed by a qualified observer who holds an educator's license and is trained in evaluating licensed employees. A list of qualified observers shall be maintained by the Board of Education. Dr. Allgood submitted a list of qualified observers to the board for approval. The Board unanimously approved the list.

Julie Pack presented a recommendation for 2 new high school courses that are highly rigorous and innovative STEM curricular programs. The Board unanimously approved Project Lead the Way: Introduction to Engineering Design and Project Lead the Way: Principles of the Biomedical Sciences to be added to Asheboro High School curriculum for school year 2012-2013.

Legislative Committee Chairman, Chris Yow, reviewed the 2012 Legislative Platform highlighting the key priorities as proposed by the Legislative Committee: Maintaining local control, adequate funding from the state, and support for public schools. The Board unanimously approved the 2012 Legislative Platform as presented.

Harold Blair presented a resolution on behalf of the Asheboro City Schools Board of Education to the North Carolina General Assembly to make critical changes to legislation enacted in 2011 that amended and restricted the timing of payments to teachers and 10-month employees. The resolution urges the General Assembly to add an amendment to Section 5 of S.L. 2010-379 (House Bill 720) to correct the language in the bill. The Board unanimously approved the resolution. It will now be forwarded to the General Assembly and the NC School Boards Association.

Superintendent's Report/Calendar of Events

Carla Freemyer reported on the Calendar of Events noting the following: Board Appreciation Luncheon on January 20; FAN Workshop, February 13; District Spelling Bee, February 21; Evening of Excellence, February 28; and the budget sessions on March 26 and April 26.

Superintendent Frost presented an update on the 2011-2012 Asheboro City Schools' Strategic Plan goals.

Board Operations

Board members received an invocation schedule for 2012.

Chairman Redding reported Board Committees for 2012 are as follows:

Finance Committee: Kelly Harris, Chair; Joyce Harrington; Linda Cranford; Gidget Kidd; and Kyle Lamb.

Policy Committee: Chris Yow, Chair; Phillip Cheek; Gustavo Agudelo; and Steve Jones.

Legislative Committee: Linda Cranford, Chair; Steve Jones; and Joyce Harrington.

Chairman Redding reminded members of the Board of the following important dates:

- Board Appreciation Luncheon January 20, 2012, 11:30 a.m., at AHS/PDC
- Legislative Breakfast January 27, 2012, 8:00 a.m., at PDC
- Winter Board Retreat February 4, 2012, at Lindley Park Elementary
- NSBA Annual Conference April 21-23, 2012, Boston, MA

Adjournment

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

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