



March 13, 2014

Opening

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

Following a moment of silence led by Chairman Redding, Ana “Noemi” Pedro, a senior at Asheboro High School, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

Special Recognition and Presentations

The Community Partner Spotlight is First Baptist Church for its work with Asheboro High School. Terri Sexton is the coordinator and driving force of this partnership. Mrs. Sexton and the church congregation sponsor and help with many activities at the high school including a Christmas lunch for all staff, a Teacher Appreciation Week breakfast for staff, monthly support contact with staff, the prom shop, purchasing graduation materials and year-books for students who need financial assistance, and they are the primary Communities in Schools partner for AHS.

The Board of Education Spotlight featured the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) program at Asheboro High School. Teachers Rita Morton and Jennifer Robbins shared information on their Biomedical Science and The Human Body System courses. Student Ethan Davis also talked about his experiences in the classes. Students Thomas Robbins and Victor Aguirre presented their engineering project they created in Engineering and Design class.

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 – February 17, 2014
- *Audit Contract
- *Personnel

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/SEPARATIONS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL/SUBJECT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Blackwelder, Ricky	CO/Bus Driver	2/19/14
English, Kendra	CWM/Data Mgr/Treas.	3/7/14
McKee, Anthony	CO/Maintenance	3/7/14
Diener, Mary Lou	BAL/Guidance Couns.	6/30/14

APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL/SUBJECT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Duckworth, Amy	CWM/Data Mgr/Treas.	3/10/14
Hunsucker, John	DLL/Custodian	3/3/14
Parsons, Richard	SAMS/Custodian (PT)	2/24/14
Garner, Sara	Sub. (\$70)	3/3/14
Martin, Jason	Sub. (\$70)	3/3/14
Pozell, Ella	Sub. (\$70)	3/3/14
Toomes, Sara	Sub. (\$70)	5/5/14
Carr, Sean	SAMS/EC	3/31/14
Forsythe, Jennifer	SAMS/EC Prog. Facil.	5/5/14
Johnson, Jennifer	AHS/Health Science	3/27/14

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL/SUBJECT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Harris, Vicky	GBT/Inst. Assistant	2/25 - 8/18/14
Landis, Kathleen	SAMS/Science	8/18 - 8/16/15

*Signature Card - Charles W. McCrary Elementary School

Information, Reports and Recommendations

Dr. Julie Pack presented information on a pilot program proposal for students to earn high school credit by demonstrated mastery. All North Carolina school districts will be required to have plans in place for this option by 2015-2016. Asheboro City Schools will begin the pilot with two courses, Spanish I, available to eligible students in grades 8-11, and World History which is primarily for rising 9th graders, in 2014-2015.

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

- Policy 1510/4200/7270 – School Safety
- Policy 1710/4021/7230 – Prohibition Against Discrimination Harassment and Bullying
- Policy 3540 – Comprehensive Health Education Program
- Policy 4120 – Domicile or Residence Requirements
- Policy 4270/6145 – Concussion and Head Injury
- Policy 4342 – Student Searches
- Policy 5022 – Registered Sex Offenders
- Policy 5027-7275 – Weapons and Explosives Prohibited
- Policy 5028/6130/7267 – Automated External Defibrillator
- Policy 5120 – Relationship with Law Enforcement
- Policy 6140 – Student Wellness

Action Items

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

- Policy 2200 – Election of Officers/Organization of Board
- Policy 3110 – Innovation in Curriculum and Instruction
- Policy 3115 – Curriculum and Instructional Guides
- Policy 3120 – Lesson Planning
- Policy 3405 – Students at Risk of Academic Failure
- Policy 5000 – Schools and the Community

Dr. Frost presented a resolution informing our North Carolina Legislature about our deep concerns regarding teacher compensation. This resolution is distributed by the North Carolina School Boards Association and we have modified it to align with Asheboro City Schools' Board of Education 2014 Legislative Platform. The Board unanimously approved the resolution supporting improvement in teachers' compensation by: (1) providing sufficient salary increases to the teacher salary schedule; and (2) reinstating the Master's Degree salary schedule.

Superintendent's Report/Calendar of Events

Carla Freemyer shared the Calendar of Events highlighting the following dates and events: FAN 5th-Grade Parent Meeting, March 24; Digital Learning Expo, April 2; Expert Project Fair, April 24; Guy B. Teachey 50th Anniversary Celebration, April 27; and Teacher of the Year Banquet, May 21.

Ms. Freemyer reported on *Points of Pride* for Asheboro City Schools as follows: Science Olympiad; Battle of the Books; Read Across America Day; and staff recognitions.

Superintendent Frost unveiled a banner presented by the North Carolina Association of School Administrators "NC Public Schools, every child's chance, every community's future." The banners will be hung at each school. This is part of an effort to build support for our public schools.

Superintendent Frost thanked Mike Mize and the maintenance staff for all their hard work to ready our schools for opening on Monday morning after the ice storm and power outages.

Superintendent Frost presented an update on the 2013-2014 Asheboro City Schools' Strategic Plan goals.

Board Operations

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

- Budget Work Session – March 24, 2014, 7:00 p.m., Central Office Board Room
- Digital Expo – April 2, 2014, 12:00 p.m., Asheboro High School Gymnasium
- NSBA Annual Conference – April 4-7, 2014, New Orleans, Louisiana

- Budget Work Session - April 24, 2014, 7:00 p.m., Professional Development Center
- Guy B. Teachey 50th Anniversary Celebration - April 27, 2014, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Kyle Lamb volunteered to serve as the Board representative to the School Health Advisory Council as required by Board Policy 6140 - Student Wellness.

Chairman Redding expressed thanks to all staff for their extra work during the inclement weather to get our students back in school. Superintendent Frost also expressed appreciation to the City of Asheboro and Duke Power for their assistance in removing debris, downed trees, and restoring power.

Adjournment

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

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