

BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Diane L. Frost, Superintendent



Asheboro City Schools

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September 11, 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 Mr. Neil Allen, Mr. Donovan Davis and Randolph Emergency Services for their outstanding communication and coordination during times of inclement weather, assessing needs of the Asheboro City Schools and providing training to school personnel.

Middle School teachers Connie Stone and Sue Walker presented information on Summer Camp Investigators, a program held this past summer. Students investigated crime scenes, conducted research, and used science labs as part of a problem-solving approach to developing academic skills.

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 – August 12 & 14, 2008

Personnel

Resignations/Retirements/Separations

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Hilario, Richard	Teachey/Custodian	8/25/08
Shelton Kimberly	McCrary/Teacher Asst.	9/5/08
Newson, Cassie	SAMS/Special Ed.	9/19/08
Tucker, Flora	Central Office/Custodian	9/12/08
Pickett, Shirley	SAMS/Cafeteria Mgr.	12/31/08
Hardin, Sandy	Lindley Park/Grade 1	1/31/09
Duyck, Scotty	McCrary/Media	10/3/08
Derrick, Patricia	Teachey/Kindergarten	1/30/09
Morton, Doryn	AHS/Special Education	1/31/09
Riggan, Larry	AHS/Principal	4/30/09

Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Teague, Vickie	Loflin/Custodian	8/25/08
Hancock, Jill	NAMS/Teacher Asst.	8/18/08

Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Dozier, Angela	AHS/Special Education	8/21/08
Dunn, Linda	SAMS/Curriculum Coach	8/26/08
Sheppard, Elizabeth	SAMS/Data Mgr./ Treasurer	8/29/08
Sexton, Lisa	McCrary/Teacher Asst.	9/8/08
Bullins, Mary	McCrary/Nurse	9/16/08
McDonald, Lashonda	Loflin/Nurse	9/22/08
Elliott, Linda	Substitute	8/25/08
Saunders, Elizabeth	Substitute	8/25/08
White, Carmen	Substitute	8/25/08
Howard, Scott	Substitute	8/25/08
Lamb, Winfred	Substitute	8/25/08
Spencer, Penny	Substitute	8/28/08

Transfers

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Subject</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Daniel, Lesha	Lindley Park/Teacher Asst. to Balfour/Teacher Asst.	8/18/08
Frazier, De-Anne	McCrary/Nurse to Balfour/Nurse	8/18/08
Bagley, Lois	NAMS/Nurse to AHS/Nurse	8/18/08
Melberger, Jeff	AHS/Social Worker to SAMS/Social Worker	8/18/08

*Out-of-State Overnight Field Trip Request-AHS
Chorus to New York City*

Signature Card for South Asheboro Middle School

Information, Reports and Recommendations

Mr. Curt Lorimer, Director of Career/Technical Education, presented a video entitled *Get a L.I.F.E.* which is a community wide dropout reduction and career awareness initiative created by The Business & Education Committee of the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce. The goal is to educate students and their parents on the issues associated with dropping out of high school.

Ms. Carla Freemyer, Public Information Officer, shared information on a *Be There* Campaign. The *Be There* Campaign is a media campaign to promote parents being involved in their child's education.

Dr. Dot Harper, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, gave an update on ACT, SAT and Advanced Placement test results for Asheboro High School. The Class of 2008 had a grand total SAT average of 1488, as compared to the North Carolina state average of 1489 and the national average of 1511. The number of students taking the ACT increased from 19 in 2005 to 34 in 2008. More students took AP courses than in any previous year—with 68 more students participating in 2008 than in 2007.

Dr. Hazel Frick, Director of Testing and Accountability, presented two new policies for 30-day board review.

- Policy 7265 – Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Science Laboratories: This proposed policy provides universal precautions to be used at all times in accordance with the OSHA standards. School system requirements are outlined that include the development and implementation of a chemical hygiene plan, list of chemicals to be discarded, labeling procedure of hazardous chemicals, training for employees and reporting procedure of unsafe conditions, and access to the chemical hygiene plan along with required training and annual updates.
- Policy 1760/7280 – Prohibition against Retaliation: This proposed policy is meant to prevent any form of reprisal, retaliation, or discrimination against an employee that reports or intends to report a violation of federal, state, or local law.

Dr. Tim Allgood, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, provided an athletic update. Asheboro City Schools sponsored over 50 teams last year. Ten of the varsity teams were recognized by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association as scholar-athlete teams and Asheboro High School received the Sportsmanship Award sponsored by the North Carolina High School Athletics Association and North Carolina Athletic Directors Association. Dr. Allgood also reported on goals for 2008-2009 for coaching standards.

Dr. Allgood shared information on teacher recruitment for 2008. A total of fifty-six teachers have been hired for the 2008-2009 school year. Thirty-nine of those teachers are from North Carolina and seventeen are from out-of-state.

Mr. Brad Rice, Director of Support Services, presented data on school safety for the 2007-2008 school year showing a decrease of 42% from the previous year for the number of reported acts.

Action Items

Ms. MiMi Cooper, Health Director for Randolph County Health Department, requested the permission to allow students of Asheboro City Schools to participate in a FluMist project. Every student will have an opportunity, with parental permission, to receive a nasal spray for protection against this winter's flu. The Board unanimously approved the request.

After a 30-day review, the Board unanimously approved Policy 7240 – Drug Free Workplace; Policy 7150 – Smoking and Tobacco Products; Policy 7260 – Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens; and Policy 7300 – Staff Responsibilities.

Superintendent's Report/Calendar of Events

Ms. Carla Freemyer shared the Calendar of Events noting Asheboro High Schools' next home game Friday, September 19; FAN Workshops, Effective Parent/Teacher Conferences, September 22, 6:30-8:00 p.m. and September 23, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Superintendent Diane Frost provided 10-day membership for Asheboro City Schools. The system presently has 4,566 students in attendance, 114 more students than the Department of Public Instruction projected. Therefore, four additional teachers will be added – two at Teachey, one at Balfour, and one at Lindley Park.

Board Operations

Chairman Kidd indicated the North Carolina School Boards Association has requested nominees for the Raleigh Dingman Award sponsored by the Association. The Raleigh Dingman Award recognizes an individual who exemplifies leadership and board service. The Board unanimously approved Mr. Chris Yow as Asheboro City Schools' candidate for the Raleigh Dingman Award.

School Assignments were given to board members for the 2008-2009 school year.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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