

# BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Diane L. Frost, Superintendent



Asheboro City Schools

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November 12, 2009

## Opening

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

Dr. Kelly Harris delivered the invocation and Randall Chrisco, a fifth grader at Lindley Park School, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting agenda was unanimously approved by board members.

## Special Recognition and Presentations

In recognition of North Carolina AVID focus on Tutorial Month, Carla Freemyer recognized AVID tutors who support students at North Asheboro Middle, South Asheboro Middle, and Asheboro High School. The dedicated group of college tutors comes to Asheboro City Schools through a partnership with First Assembly of God Church.

Lindley Park School shared how they are using co-teaching and inclusion strategies in their school. Ms. Robin Harris and members of the co-teaching/inclusion teams shared ways they plan together and share teaching responsibilities in order to meet the needs of all Lindley Park students.

Michael Fleming, technology teacher at Asheboro High School, was recognized as Asheboro City Schools 2008-2009 Career Technical Education Teacher of the Year.

## 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 – October 8, 2009

\*Personnel

## Resignations/Retirements/Separations

<u>Name</u>	<u>School /Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>
Kern, Ella	Asheboro High/ Teacher Assistant	10/23/09

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<u>Name</u>	<u>School /Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>
Buckner, Taylor	Asheboro High/ Science	10/26/09
Taylor, Sarah	Balfour/5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	10/30/09
Smith, LaBreeska	South Asheboro Middle/Special Education	11/20/09

## Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>School /Subject</u>	<u>Date</u>
Joyce, Meghan	Substitute	10/06/09
Paul, Debra	Balfour/Teacher Asst.	10/29/09
Zepeda, Maricela	North Asheboro Middle/Secretary	11/4/09
Hanson, Rebekah	Balfour/5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	TBD

## Transfers

Burian, Johanna	Balfour/Teacher Asst. to Teachey/Translator/Interpreter	11/29/09
Loechle- Yuzzely, Lizbel	Loflin/Teacher Asst. to TBD/Translator/Interpreter	TBD

\*Surplus Item Bid Approval

\*Budget Amendments CE-01, CE-02, F-01, CE-03 and CO-01

## Information, Reports and Recommendations

Dr. Brad Rice presented data on school safety for the 2008-2009 school year. There were a total of 31 reportable offenses.

Chief Rickey Wilson shared information on gangs and drug activities in the Asheboro community. He thanked Asheboro City Schools for being a partner with the Asheboro Police Department in assisting them to keep the students of Asheboro City Schools on the right path with such programs as DARE and GREAT.

Dr. Tim Allgood presented the teacher turnover rate for the period beginning March 2008 and ending February 2009. The teacher turnover rate at the end of February was 18.2% for Asheboro City Schools. Dr. Allgood shared the primary reason for teachers leaving the system is to teach in another North Carolina LEA.

Nancy Moody provided information on the state's mathematics curriculum and assessment and Asheboro City Schools' work toward implementation.

Dr. Dot Harper announced the 2009-2010 Innovative Teaching Grant recipients as follows: Rhonda Dillingham, Asheboro High School Zoo School; Susan Jarrett, Donna L. Loflin; Carol Fleming, Charles W. McCrary; J. Eric Pledger, Asheboro High School; and Christin Hogan, Melanie Mize, Denee Hinshaw and Rebecca Gulcin, Charles W. McCrary.

Dr. Hazel Frick presented the following policies for 30-day review: \*Policy 4333 – Weapons, Bomb Threats, Terrorist Threats and Clear Threats to Safety. This policy outlines the procedure to be followed in situations where the presence of weapons, bomb or terrorist threats, or actions creates a threat to student and/or employee safety. The update adds a provision that the Board may expel a student who is subject to Policy 4620 – Student Sex Offenders after giving consideration to appropriate educational services. \*Policy 4353 – Long-Term Suspension, 365 Day Suspension, Expulsion. This policy contains definitions of long-term suspension, 365 Day Suspension, and expulsion and their use as consequences for violations of the student code of conduct. Two additional provisions have been added. A provision that a student subject to Policy 4260 – Student Sex Offenders may be expelled as provided in Policy 4333 – Weapons, Bomb Threats, Terrorist Threats and Clear Threats to Safety, and that in assessing the dangerousness of a student, the principal may consider whether the student is subject to Policy 4260 – Student Sex Offenders.

#### **Action Items**

Administrators from North Asheboro Middle School, South Asheboro Middle School and Asheboro High School presented continuous improvement plans highlighting the schools' goals for the 2009-2010 school year. The Board unanimously approved the goals as presented.

Carla Freemyer presented a Proclamation declaring November 15-21, 2009 American Education Week. Board members unanimously approved the Proclamation.

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

Dr. Frost reported Wendy Graham, media specialist at Balfour, received a Bright Ideas Grant totaling \$1800 and Jason Norris, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at McCrary, received a North Carolina Council of Mathematics Mini Grant totaling \$700.

Carla Freemyer shared *Points of Pride*: Five students selected to the NC Elementary Honors Chorus; NAMS Jamz debut; Wendy Rich recognized as the

NCCTM state president; Dr. Brad Rice successfully defending his dissertation; and Communities in Schools Reality Store.

Ms. Freemyer shared the Calendar of Events highlighting the following: November 17, College T-shirt/Sweatshirt Day; November 19-21 and November 22, AHS Park Street Players present Les Miserables; November 30 and December 1, FAN Workshop – Cyberbullying and Social Media; December 9, Senior Holiday Lunch; and December 21, Superintendent's Holiday Lunch.

Chairman Kidd shared Ms. Harrington has been named to the honorary All-State Board and will be recognized at the North Carolina School Boards Association's 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in Greensboro on November 17, 2009.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

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