

BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Diane L. Frost, Superintendent



Asheboro City Schools

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January 9, 2014

Opening

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

Following a moment of silence led by Chairman Redding, Trent Joura, 5th grade student at Lindley Park Elementary School, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

Special Recognition and Presentations

Lindley Park Elementary School's English as a Second Language Team shared a video highlighting Hispanic Heritage Month. Parents shared how parent involvement is successful at Lindley Park.

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 12, 2013, Called Meeting on December 17, 2013, and Legislative Committee Meeting on December 17, 2013*

**North Carolina City Schools Consortium Acknowledgement and Commitment*

**Budget Amendment F-02*

**Budget Calendar/Process*

**Personnel*

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/SEPARATIONS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL/SUBJECT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
McQueen, Helene	NAMS/Eng. LA	1/2/14
Davin, Misty	GBT/Third Grade	1/10/14

APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL/SUBJECT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Allgood, Timothy	AHS/English (interim)	2/1 - 6/11/2014
Maye, Takirah	CWM/After-School Program Asst. (PT)	1/2/14
Doiron, Florence (Wendy)	BAL/AIG (PT)	1/23 - 4/30/14
Groseclose, Terry	SAMS/Literacy/AIG (PT)	1/7 - 6/10/14
Smith, Charlene	NAMS/AIG (PT)	1/23 - 6/11/14
Estrada, Saira	Sub. (\$70 per day)	1/13/14

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL/SUBJECT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Causey, Staci	ECDC/Instr. Assistant	1/13 - 3/21/14

Information, Reports and Recommendations

Julie Pack presented information on opportunities for Asheboro High School Students to earn career, college, and North Carolina Academic Scholars endorsements to their diplomas. These endorsements are aligned with State Board Policy GCS-L-003 and begin with the class of 2014-15.

Action Items

Legislative Committee Chairman, Linda Cranford, reviewed the 2014 Legislative Platform highlighting the key priorities as proposed by the Legislative Committee:

1. **Number of LEAs per county** - Maintain local control on the number of LEAs per county.
2. **Provide competitive compensation for state educators** - Improve educator pay so that we can attract and retain the highest quality public school professionals. Reinstate master's degree compensation for teachers.
3. **Improve per pupil funding** - State funding per ADM has declined from \$5,779 in 2008-09 to \$5,425 in 2013-14. Reductions in funding for teacher assistants, instructional support, textbooks, and classroom supplies are limiting our ability to adequately prepare our students for 21st century careers, college, and citizenship.
4. **Eliminate the A-F grading system for schools** - Move to an accountability system that supports academic improvement and aligns with the increased rigor of the new standards and assessments.
5. **Vouchers** - Discontinue the use of public tax dollars to support private school tuition.
6. **NC PRE-K** - Increase funding to serve additional 3 and 4-year olds in five star pre-kindergarten programs.

The Board unanimously approved the 2014 Legislative Platform as presented.

Asheboro City Schools has been asked to join North Carolina School Boards Association in its litigation challenging the constitutionality of legislation passed earlier this year that creates a private school voucher program using public funds. The legislation will take effect in the 2014-15 school year. The Board approved the resolution to join

NCSBA as a plaintiff in the pending litigation by a vote of 10 to 1 with Mr. Lamb voting no.

Board members unanimously approved the 2012-2013 Audit Report as presented by Mr. Harold Blair.

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

- Policy 3230/7330 – Copyright Compliance
- Policy 3410 – Testing and Assessment Program
- Policy 3420 – Student Promotion and Accountability
- Policy 3460 – Graduation Requirements
- Policy 4700 – Student Records
- Policy 5070/7350 – Public Records
- Policy 6220 – Operation of Student Food Services
- Policy 7410 – Career Status (Removal of Policy)
- Policy 7510 – Leave
- Policy 7810 – Evaluation of Licensed Employees
- Policy 7950 – Probationary Teachers: Nonrenewal

Dr. Brad Rice shared the 2015-2016 school year calendar that has been under 30-day review. Board members unanimously approved the calendar as presented.

Superintendent's Report/Calendar of Events

Carla Freemyer shared the Calendar of Events highlighting the following dates and events: Legislative Breakfast, January 17; Board Appreciation Luncheon, January 24; Winter Board Retreat, February 8; FAN - 8th Grade Parent Meeting, February 10; and the District Spelling Bee, February 18.

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

Board Operations

Chairman Redding reported Board Committees for 2014 are as follows:

Finance Committee: Gus Agudelo, Chair, Joyce Harrington, Archie Priest, Dr. Kelly Harris, and Kyle Lamb.

Policy Committee: Phillip Cheek, Chair, Linda Cranford, Gidget Kidd, and Chris Yow.

Legislative Committee: Linda Cranford, Chair; Gidget Kidd, and Joyce Harrington.

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

- Legislative Breakfast – January 17, 2014, 8:00 a.m. North Asheboro Middle School
- Board Appreciation Luncheon – January 24, 2014, 12:00 noon, Loflin Elementary
- Winter Board Retreat – February 8, 2014, 8:00 – 4:30 p.m., Loflin Elementary
- NSBA Annual Conference – April 5-7, 2014, New Orleans, Louisiana

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

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