

## **Board Work Session Minutes**

**DATE:** October 1, 2018

**PRESENT:** Chair Mildred A. Council, Vice Chair Anna Barrett Smith, Caroline W. Doherty, Melinda Fagundus, Betsy Flanagan, Worth Forbes, Benjie Forrest, Robert Moore, and Mary Blount Williams

**ALSO PRESENT:** Dr. Ethan Lenker, Jennifer L. Johnson, Dr. Ve-Lecia Council, Debra Baggett, Matt Johnson, Steve Lassiter, Karen Harrington, and Media

**IN-HOUSE COUNSEL:** Emma J. Hodson

**TIME:** 4:34 P.M.

**PLACE:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Boardroom, Pitt County Office Building, 1717 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Greenville, NC 27834

A) Chair Council called the Board of Education Work Session to order at 4:34 P.M.

1) Closed Session

Vice Chair Anna Barrett Smith will make a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to General Statute 143.318.11 for the following purposes: under subsection (a)(3) to consult with our attorney, to give instructions concerning a potential or actual claim, administrative procedure, or judicial action, and to preserve the attorney-client privilege, and to consider and give instructions concerning a judicial action titled State of North Carolina v. Rivero Bamaca, 17CR56158, with a second from Robert Moore. The motion to go into Closed Session passed unanimously.

2) The Board members resumed the Board Work Session at 5:02 P.M.

3) EPS Update

Steve Lassiter, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Programs and Services, shared an EPS Update with the Board members. Mr. Lassiter shared the following:

1. School Visits
2. Professional Development
3. Principal Support
4. Creating a Statewide Twitter Chat
5. Discussion with 12 Directors with focus on the low-performing schools 60/40 split
6. Sub-Group Data and Best Practices to Target/ Equity for Students
7. Technology Assessment
8. Program Evaluation/ Portrait of a Graduate

Some discussion occurred between Mr. Lassiter and the Board members.

4) Human Resources Update

Dr. Ve-Lecia Council, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, shared the following information with the Board members:

1. 26 current open staff positions, many being remediation positions

Minutes Recorder: Carol Rankin

2. 218 New Teachers
3. Ongoing Teacher Support

5) Facilities Update

Matt Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, shared an update with the Board members including the following:

1. Hurricane Florence prep and Recovery update
2. SRO update
3. Secure Corridors update
4. School Design
5. OReD update
6. Safety Grant Award

6) Student Services

Due to time constraints, Karen Harrington, Director of Student Services, postponed her presentation until this evening's Board meeting.

7) Board Training

Due to time constraints, Board Training was postponed until this evening's Board meeting.

B) The Board Work Session adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Mildred A. Council, Chair

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Dr. Ethan Lenker, Secretary