

Board Meeting Minutes

DATE: December 3, 2018

PRESENT: Chair Anna Barrett Smith, Vice Chair Betsy Flanagan, Amy Cole, Tracy Everette-Lenz, Caroline W. Doherty, Betsy Flanagan, Worth Forbes, Benjie Forrest, and Melinda Fagundus

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

IN-HOUSE COUNSEL: Emma J. Hodson

ABSENT: Mary Blount Williams

TIME: 6:34 P.M.

PLACE: 3rd Floor Boardroom, Pitt County Office Building, 1717 West 5th Street, Greenville, NC 27834

1) Start of Meeting

A) Vice Chair Smith called the Board of Education meeting to order in Regular Session on December 3, 2018 at 6:34 P.M. in the Pitt County Third Floor Board Room.

B) Judge G. Galen Braddy was present to preside over four Board members taking Oaths of Office. The Board members Judge Braddy swore in were: Amy Cole, Caroline Doherty, Tracy Everette-Lenz, and Anna Barrett Smith.

C) Worth Forbes led the Board members in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Silence and concluded with a prayer.

D) Dr. Ethan Lenker, Superintendent, presided over the election of the Chair, by requesting nominations from the floor. Betsy Flanagan nominated Anna Barrett Smith as Chair. With no other nominations, Caroline Doherty made a motion to close the nominations with a second from Betsy Flanagan. Motion to close nominations passed unanimously. The nomination of Ms. Smith as Chair passed unanimously.

E) Newly-elected Chair Anna Barrett Smith presided over the election of the Vice Chair by requesting nominations from the floor. Caroline Doherty nominated Betsy Flanagan as Vice Chair with a second from Worth Forbes. Benjie Forrest made a motion to close nominations with a second from Caroline Doherty. Motion to close nominations passed unanimously. The nomination of Ms. Flanagan as Vice Chair passed unanimously.

2) Special Recognition

On behalf of the Board members, Chair Smith recognized Robert Moore and presented him with a plaque for his years of service. Chair Smith also recognized Mildred A. Council for her service and presented her with a plaque and her personalized gavel.

3) Routine Business

A) Adjustments to the Agenda

Caroline Doherty made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented with a second from Betsy Flanagan. The motion to approve the Agenda passed unanimously.

Minutes Recorder: Carol Rankin

B) Public Expression

No one was present for Public Expression.

4) Consent Agenda

Caroline Doherty made a motion to approve the consent items as presented, with a second from Melinda Fagundus. The Consent Agenda items included the following:

- November 5, 2018 Regular Board meeting minutes
- November 19, 2018 Special Called Board meeting minutes
- November 19, 2018 Board Work Session minutes
- October 15, 2018 Board Work Session minutes
- Personnel Report for December 3, 2018
- Beginning Teacher Support Plan for 2018-2019

With no discussion, the motion to approve the Consent Agenda passed unanimously.

5) New Business

The Board members did not discuss any new business.

6) Closing Comments

Closing comments were made by Dr. Lenker, Board members, and Chair Smith.

7) Closed Session

The Vice-Chair Flanagan made 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 preserve the attorney-client privilege, and to consider and give instructions concerning a judicial action titled Farrington v. City of Greenville and Pitt County Board of Education, 18 CVS 3149 and Vaitovas v. City of Greenville, 18 CVS 1890, with a second from Worth Forbes. The motion to go into Closed Session passed unanimously. Time was 7:07 p.m.

8) Adjourn

Benjie Forrest made a motion to adjourn with a second from Caroline Doherty. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously. Time adjourned was 7:43 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Barrett Smith, Chair

Dr. Ethan Lenker, Secretary