

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

**DATE:** August 6, 2018

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

**ABSENT:** Mary Blount Williams and Melinda Fagundus

**ALSO PRESENT:** Dr. Ethan Lenker, Cheryl Olmsted, Dr. Ve-Lecia Council, Debra Baggett, Matt Johnson, Dr. Travis Lewis, and Media

**ATTORNEY:** Emma J. Hodson

**TIME:** 6:30 P.M.

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

### 1) Start of Meeting

A) Chair Council called the Board of Education Regular Board meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Due to Board member request to receive some additional information from the athletic department regarding proposed Policy 3625/4326, Student Athlete Drug Testing, Chair Council removed the policy from second reading, prior to the Board meeting. Information will be conveyed to Board members at the August 20th Work Session.

B) In Ms. Fagundus' absence, Benjie Forrest led the Board members in prayer and in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 2) Routine Business

#### A) Adjustments to the Agenda

Robert Moore made a motion, with a second from Caroline Doherty, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion to approve was unanimous.

#### B) Spotlight on Teaching and Learning

1) Daniel Wunker, Band/Orchestra Teacher for Chicod School recognized Fiona Holler, one of his students. Mr. Wunker shared with the Board member that Fiona has been selected to perform with the Junior Eastern Regional Orchestra. Even with autism, Fiona is the first Pitt County School student to receive this honor. Fiona played the Alegro from Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Eine kleine Nachtmusik for the Board members. Benjie Forrest, on behalf of

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the Board members, presented Fiona with a Pitt County School Medallion and “Creating Excellence in the East” Award.

2) Kamara Roach, W.H. Robinson’s principal, recognized Heather Landreth a teacher at W.H. Robinson, for receiving a Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics Teaching. Vice Chair Smith, on behalf of the Board members, presented Ms. Landreth with a Pitt County School Medallion and “Creating Excellence in the East” Award.

3) Joey Weathington, Director of Transportation, recognized Dustin Wells for receiving the honor of 2018 NC Best School Bus Inspector. Mr. Weathington shared the competition was held in Concord NC, during the 64th Annual NCPTA Transposium, which included a written exam and a timed event on school bus inspections. This is the second year in a row Mr. Wells has received this award. Mr. Wells will represent North Carolina at the National Competition to be held this fall. Chair Council, on behalf of the Board members, presented Mr. Wells with a Pitt County School Medallion and “Creating Excellence in the East” Award.

#### C) Public Expression

No one was present for public expression.

#### 3) Consent Agenda

Worth Forbes made a motion to approve the consent items as presented, with a second from Robert Moore. The Consent Agenda items included the following:

- June 4, 2018 Board Meeting minutes,
- June 4, 2018 Closed Board Meeting minutes,
- June 18, 2018 Board Work Session Meeting minutes,
- June 18, 2018 Closed Board Meeting minutes,
- June 27, 2018 Special Called Board Meeting minutes,
- Personnel Report for August 6, 2018,
- New Policy 6131, Do Not Resuscitate Orders,
- Revised Policy 1710/4021/7230—Prohibition Against Discrimination, Harassment, and Bullying,
- Revised Policy 1720/4015/7225—Discrimination Harassment, and Bullying Complaint Procedure,
- Revised Policy 2400—Board Policies,
- Revised Policy 3565/8307—Title I Program Comparability of Services,
- Revised Policy 4150—School Assignment,
- Revised Policy 4400—Attendance,
- Revised Policy 5010—Parent Organizations,

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- Revised Policy 5070—Public Records Retention, Release, and Disposition,
- Revised Policy 6421—Pre-Audit Certification,
- Revised Policy 7100—Information Provided by Applicant or Employee,
- Revised Policy 7410—Teacher Contracts,
- Revised Policy 8220—Gifts and Bequests,
- Revised Policy 8300—Fiscal Management Standards,
- Revised Policy 8325—Daily Deposits,
- Revised Policy 8510—School Finance Officer,
- Revised Policy 9125—Participation by Minority Businesses, and
- Board Panel Student Transfer Hearing Requests.

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

4) New Business:

Dr. Ethan Lenker, Superintendent asked the Board to consider the recommendation of Hal Davis Northeast Regional School of Biotechnology and Agriscience principal, that Latasha Cobb, be appointed to serve as the Pitt County Parent representative for the Pitt County NERSBA Parental Advisory Committee. Benjie Forrest made a motion to approve Ms. Cobb as the Pitt County NERSBA Parental Advisory Committee, with a second from Caroline Doherty. The motion to approve passed unanimously.

5) Closing Comments:

Closing comments were made by Dr. Lenker, Board Members, and Chair Council.

6) Closed Session:

At 7:20 P.M., Vice Chair Anna Barrett Smith made a motion to go into Closed Session for the following purpose: under subsection (a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged or confidential personnel information. (G.S. 115C-319 et.seq.) and under subsection (a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment or initial employment of a public officer or employee or a prospective public officer or employee, with a second from Benjie Forbes. The motion to go into Closed Session passed unanimously.

7) Additional Action Items, if Needed:

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:18 P.M., with no additional action items needed.

8) Adjourn:

Caroline Doherty made a motion to adjourn with a second by Anna Barrett Smith. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously. Time adjourned was 8:19 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Mildred A. Council, Chair

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Dr. Ethan Lenker, Secretary