

Special Called Board Meeting Minutes

DATE: July 13, 2020

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

PRESENT REMOTELY: Mary Blount Williams and Worth Forbes

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Ethan Lenker, Dr. Steve Lassiter, Dr. Kristi Rhone, Jeff Smith, Karen Harrington, Jennifer Johnson, Matt Johnson, Tim DeCresie

IN-HOUSE COUNSEL: Emma J. Hodson

TIME: 8:46 A.M.

PLACE: Carolina Room, The Kathy Taft Center, 2010 Allen Road, Greenville, NC 27834 and via ZOOM

After experiencing technical issues, Chair Betsy Flanagan opened the Special Called Board meeting at 8:46 a.m. in the Carolina Room in the Kathy Taft Center located at 2010 Allen Road, Greenville, NC 27834. Chair Flanagan called roll, all Board members were in attendance either in person or remotely.

Caroline Doherty made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented with a second from Anna Barrett Smith. With no discussion needed, the Agenda as presented passed unanimously.

Superintendent Dr. Ethan Lenker and Senior Leadership discussed the following purchases with the Board members.

Technology

- Chromebooks
- iPad

Software

- Attainment
- Educational Associates
- iReady
- n2y
- Panorama
- Powerschool Upgrade
- Quaver
- Reading Horizons

Minutes Recorder: Carol Rankin

- Voyager Sopris Learning

After much discussion occurred between the Board members and Senior Leadership, Benjie Forrest mad a motion to purchase the items as presented with a second from Tracy Everette-Lenz. The motion to purchase items as presented passed unanimously.

PCS COVID-19 Update

Jennifer L. Johnson, Public Information Officer, Matt Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, Dr. Kristi Rhone, Assistant Superintendent of HR, and Dr. Steve Lassiter, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Programs and Services, presented the Pitt County Schools COVID-19 Update with the Board members. The presentation included the following .

- Road to Reopening Weekly Updates to Parents/Staff Members
- Parent Survey Results
- PPE
- Staffing
- Signage
- Sanitation Plans
- Hand Sanitizer
- Bus Routes/Restrictions
- Teacher Vacancies
- Employee Leave Options
- Retirement Celebration
- Plans A,B,C
- Learning Options Defined, Face-to-Face, Scheduled Time Online, Anytime Online Learning, Independent Online Learning

Much discussion occurred between the Senior Leadership and the Board members.

Chair Flanagan discussed the upcoming Special Called Board meeting scheduled for July 20,2020 with the Board members. Chair Flanagan requested that Dr. John Silvernail, Director of Pitt County Health Department, be available to answer reopening questions the Board members may have after Governor makes a return to school decision.

Adjourn

Vice Chair Melinda Fagundus made a motion to adjourn with a second from Benjie Forrest. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously. The time was 11:22 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth M. Flanagan, Chair

Dr. Ethan Lenker, Secretary