

Special Called Board Meeting Minutes

DATE: March 15, 2021

PRESENT: Chair Melinda Fagundus, Vice Chair Tracy Everette-Lenz, Amy Cole, Don Rhodes, Anna Barrett Smith, James E. Tripp Jr., Caroline W. Doherty, Worth Forbes, Benjie Forrest

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Ethan Lenker, Dr. Steve Lassiter, Jennifer Johnson, Matt Johnson, Debra Baggett, Dr. Kristi Rhone, Karen Harrington, Aaron Errickson

IN-HOUSE COUNSEL: Emma J. Hodson

TIME: 1:31 P.M.

PLACE: Carolina Room, The Kathy Taft Center, 2010 Allen Road, Greenville, NC 27834.

Chair Melinda Fagundus called the Special Called Board meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. in the Carolina Room. All Board members were present as indicated above. The meeting was offered to the public via livestream.

Approval of Equipment Purchases

Debra Baggett, Chief Finance Officer, shared the bid sheets and winning bids regarding the purchases of 2,000 Chromebooks, 150 Chromebook Carts, and 1,100 iPads. Ms. Baggett requested that the Board approve the equipment purchases. Anna Barrett Smith made a motion to approve the equipment purchases as outlined by Ms. Baggett with a second from Amy Cole. There was no discussion. The Board voted unanimously to approve the purchases.

Approval of Wahl-Coates Elementary School Project Contractors

Aaron Errickson, Director of Facilities, presented updates to the Board regarding bids to complete summer projects to upgrade the fire alarm, mechanical, and electrical systems at Wahl-Coates Elementary School. Caroline Doherty made a motion to approve the contractor bids with a second from Worth Forbes. There was no discussion. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the bids.

School System Planning Necessitated by Senate Bill 220

Dr. Ethan Lenker, Superintendent, presented a plan to address Senate Bill 220. Dr. Lenker noted that the District is currently meeting the minimum requirements set by Senate Bill 220 and recommended that the District offer Plan A to middle and high school students beginning on April 13, 2020, as allowed by the Bill. Worth Forbes made a motion to approve Dr. Lenker's recommendation to move middle and high school students to Plan A beginning

Minutes Recorder: Carol Rankin

on April 13 with a second from Benjie Forrest. After some discussion, the Board members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Adjourn

Benjie Forrest made a motion to adjourn with a second from Anna Barrett Smith. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously. The time was 1:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Fagundus, Chair

Dr. Ethan Lenker, Secretary