

The Cumberland County Board of Education met in virtual session on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 8:30 am with the following board members present: Alicia Chisolm, Greg West, Deanna Jones, Susan Williams, Carrie Sutton, Joseph Sorce, Judy Musgrave, Charles McKellar and Donna Vann.

Others present were Superintendent Marvin Connelly, Associate Superintendents, Ron Phipps, Betty Musselwhite, Lindsay Whitley, Ruben Reyes, Stacey Wilson-Norman, Joe Desormeaux and Clyde Locklear; Board Attorney Nick Sojka.

1. OPENING ITEMS

1.01 Mrs. Chisolm called the meeting to order at 8:35 am.

1.02 CONSIDER a Motion pursuant to Board Policy Codes 2300 and 2450, effective for this meeting only, to waive any requirements that board members participate in the meeting in-person, and to ratify and formally adopt the virtual meeting format described in the Meeting Notice. Upon a motion by Greg West, seconded by Donna Vann, the board members unanimously approved item 1.02.

1.03 The Board RECEIVED an update from Dr. Jennifer Green and Mr. Mike Nagowski on COVID 19, current metrics and status.

2. Superintendent's Update / District Highlights - Dr. Marvin Connelly

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Dr. Connelly briefly shared his appreciation for our employees, families and community partners for successful navigation through our first three weeks of remote learning. Our educators have worked overtime to transition to remote teaching and learning. Our students have been adaptive and resilient and our parents and caregivers have forged strong partnerships with educators to support the needs of our students. We have faced challenges but our focus remains on helping every student succeed.

Dr. Connelly shared our focus on the components of student and staff safety as we continue to monitor the COVID-19 conditions in Cumberland County to determine when Plan B can be safely implemented. Our team is working behind the scenes to prepare for a smooth and safe return to in-person instruction.

In closing, Dr. Connelly shared that he is grateful to live and serve in a community such as Cumberland County.

3. PUBLIC FORUM

We had no Public Comments submitted for this meeting

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Susan Williams, seconded by Joseph Sorce, the Board unanimously adopted the agenda.

5. APPROVE the CONSENT AGENDA.

Upon a motion by Donna Vann, seconded by Carrie Sutton, the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

- 5.01 CONSIDER Approval of the Minutes of the June 9, 2020 Board Meeting
- 5.02 CONSIDER Approval of Student Release List (Students approved to attend school outside of Cumberland County)
- 5.03 CONSIDER Approval of Leaves of Absence and Special Leaves of Absence as recommended by the Personnel Committee
- 5.04 CONSIDER Approval of Administrative Recommendations as recommended by the Personnel Committee
- 5.05 CONSIDER Approval of Professional Services Agreement with SimpleClinic to provide Medical Exams, Drug Screenings and Alcohol Test for CCS Transportation as recommended by the Auxiliary Service Committee
- 5.06 CONSIDER Approval of 2020-2021 Master Services Agreement between Mesa Cloud Inc., and Cumberland County Board of Education as recommended by the Student Support Services Committee
- 5.07 CONSIDER Approval of 2020-2021 Partnership for Children Amendment as recommended by the Student Support Services Committee
- 5.08 CONSIDER Approval of 2020-2021 Communities in Schools (CIS) Agreement between CIS of NC Services Group, LLC and Cumberland County Board of Education as recommended by the Student Support Services Committee
- 5.09 CONSIDER Approval of 2020-2021 Child and Family Health SPARCS Agreement between the Center for Child and Family Health and Cumberland County Schools as recommended by the Student Support Services Committee
- 5.10 CONSIDER Approval of changing the verbiage from what is in the approved block to what is in the proposed block. Measure 4.1 as recommended by the Student Support Services Committee
- 5.11 CONSIDER Approval of the target values for each measure: Measure 4.1, 4.3 and 4.4 as recommended by the Student Support Services Committee
- 5.12 CONSIDER Approval of FY 20-21 Lottery Applications as recommended by the Finance Committee
- 5.13 CONSIDER Approval of FY 20-21 Budget as recommended by the Finance Committee
- 5.14 CONSIDER Approval of funding for School Business Modernization Project pending final contract terms and contract approval by Administration and Board Attorney

5.15 CONSIDER Approval of new Title IX Policies on an immediate, temporary basis as allowed under Policy 2420 and required by federal regulations, and approve upon First Reading in anticipation of permanent adoption.

5.16 CONSIDER Approval of Current Polices to be Rescinded as recommended by the Policy Committee

5.17 CONSIDER Approval of Revised Policy 8325 as recommended by the Policy Committee (First Reading)

5.18 CONSIDER Approval of Revised Policy 7410 "Teacher Contracts" upon Second Reading (First Reading approval occurred on June 9, 2020)

5.19 CONSIDER Approval of New Policy 7503 (Second Reading) as recommended by the Policy Committee

6. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Auxiliary Services Committee Report – Donna Vann

7. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Student Support Services Committee Report – Susan Williams

8. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Budget/Finance Committee Report – Greg West

9. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Policy Committee Report –Joseph Sorce

10. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Curriculum Committee Report – Donna Vann

11. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Personnel Committee Report - Carrie Sutton
Associate Superintendent Ruben Reyes presented the Personnel item

11.01 CONSIDER Approval of Personnel as recommended by the Personnel Committee Upon a motion by Joseph Sorce, seconded by Judy Musgrave, the Personnel list presented was approved. (Susan Williams, Donna Vann and Greg West abstained from voting on this item because they had family members being considered for approval)

12. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Legislative Committee Report – Charles McKellar

13. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS - None

14. CLOSING ITEMS

14.01 Board Members' Update (Limited to comments regarding school system business and school systems events only) None presented today.

14.02 Chairman's Update

On behalf of the Board of Education, Mrs. Chisolm again thanked our premier professionals, supportive families and committed community during the 2020-2021 school year. She stressed 'safety' as most important in decision making. Mrs. Chisolm

thanked everyone for attending today's virtual meeting. Our next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be held on October 13, 2020 and we look forward to being with you again in October.

14.03 ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 am.

Dr. Marvin Connelly, Superintendent

MC/ph