

Cumberland County Board of Education
Fayetteville, North Carolina
April 9, 2019

The Cumberland County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at 6:30 p.m., in the Central Services Board Room, with the following board members present: Donna Vann, Alicia Chisolm, Greg West, Porcha McMillan, Susan Williams, Carrie Sutton, and Charles McKellar. Peggy Hall and Judy Musgrave were not in attendance this evening. Others present were Superintendent Marvin Connelly, Associate Superintendents, Mary Black (Acting Superintendent), Ron Phipps, Clyde Locklear, Ruben Reyes, Betty Musselwhite, Lindsay Whitley, Joe Desormeaux and Stacey Wilson-Norman; Board Attorney Nick Sojka; representatives of the principals association, Ft. Bragg Liaison, district PTA representative, representatives of the NCAEOP, NAACP and representatives of the teacher assistants association.

A media representative was also present.

1. OPENING ITEMS

Chairman Donna Vann called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

Our Pledge of Allegiance was led by Porcha McMillan, followed with the invocation by Carrie Sutton

2. RECOGNITIONS

The Board RECOGNIZED Student Representatives Ulysses Crawford, Student Government representative from Cumberland International High School and Mikayla Gutierrez, Student Government Representative from Seventy-First High School. Ulysses and Mikayla were given the opportunity to address the Board on a topic of their choice.

The Board RECOGNIZED our Amazing Acts of Character Award Recipients: Justice Cochrane, Christine Melendez and Alex Richardson

The Board RECOGNIZED winners of the Month of the Military Child / Military Art Contest Winners: Lyla Mankowski, Sarah Shepard, Hennessy Linneman and Kaylee Youngblood

The Board RECOGNIZED Dr. Mary Black, Recipient of the Marvin R. Pittman Champions for Education Award

The Board RECOGNIZED Dr. Jane Fields, Recipient of the Dr. Sam Houston Leadership Award

3. PUBLIC FORUM

Ten citizens spoke tonight: Tiffany Walker, Leisa Jackson, Nichole VanTassel, Aleise Jackson, Chris Chrison, Gloria DuChaine, Carmela McKellar-Smith, Carol Stubbs, Tamika Kelly, and Rodrick Hudson

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Alicia Chisolm, seconded by Carrie Sutton, the agenda, as presented, was adopted unanimously by the Board members present.

5. Chairman Donna Vann called for a motion to **APPROVE** the **CONSENT AGENDA**. *Board member Porcha McMillan requested to pull item 5.07 from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.*

Upon motion by Greg West, seconded by Charles McKellar, the following **Consent Agenda** items were approved by the following vote:

Voting in **favor** of Approval of the Consent Agenda were:

Donna Vann, Carrie Sutton, Greg West, Susan Williams, Charles McKellar and Porcha McMillan

Voting **against** Approval of the Consent Agenda were:

Alicia Chisolm

5.01 CONSIDER Approval of the Minutes of the March 12, 2019 Board Meeting

5.02 CONSIDER Approval of Release of Certain Students

5.03 CONSIDER Approval of Personnel as recommended by the Personnel Committee

5.04 CONSIDER Approval of Leaves of Absence and Special Leaves of Absence as recommended by the Personnel Committee

5.05 CONSIDER Approval of Administrative Recommendation as recommended by the Personnel Committee

5.06 CONSIDER Approval of Approval of request to name the baseball field at Seventy-First High in honor of Ted Chappell as recommended by the Auxiliary Services Committee

5.07 CONSIDER Approval of Approval of the revised 2019-2020 Bell Schedule as recommended by the Auxiliary Services Committee *This item was pulled and placed on the discussion agenda*

5.08 CONSIDER Approval of Budget Amendments as recommended by the Finance Committee

5.09 CONSIDER Approval of Bid Award: Microsoft Software Volume Licensing as recommended by the Finance Committee

5.10 CONSIDER Approval of New/Revised Policies (First Reading) as recommended by the Policy Committee

5.11 CONSIDER Approval of Mathematics Instructional Materials Adoption 2019-2024 as recommended by the Curriculum Committee

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Auxiliary Services Committee Report – Porcha McMillan

5.07 (Pulled from the Consent Agenda) CONSIDER Approval of the revised 2019-2020 Bell Schedule as recommended by the Auxiliary Services Committee Mrs. McMillan asked Mr.

Desormeaux to go over again the rationale for the changes. Mr. Desormeaux shared the information provided during the Auxiliary Services Committee; as well, he answered additional questions and addressed concerns from Board members. Additional board member discussion followed.

Upon a motion by Carrie Sutton, seconded by Alicia Chisolm, the Revised 2019-2020 Bell Schedule was **approved** by the following vote:

In favor: Carrie Sutton, Alicia Chisolm, Donna Vann, Greg West, Susan Williams and Charles McKellar

Voting against: Porcha McMillan

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

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

8.01 CONSIDER Approval of the 2019-2020 District Budget Proposal

Mr. West thanked all involved for the comprehensive Budget Proposal.

Additional board member discussion followed.

Upon a motion by Alicia Chisolm, seconded by Greg West, the 2019-2020 District Budget Proposal was approved by the following vote:

In favor: Carrie Sutton, Alicia Chisolm, Donna Vann, Greg West and Susan Williams

Voting against: Porcha McMillan and Charles McKellar

Mrs. Vann thanked the Dr. Connelly, Mr. Locklear and the entire Cabinet for their hard work on this budget.

9. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Policy Committee Report – Judy Musgrave

10. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Curriculum Committee Report – Peggy Hall

11. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Personnel Committee Report – Carrie Sutton

12. DISCUSSION AGENDA: Legislative Committee Report – Charles McKellar

13. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

13.01 RECEIVE Strategic Plan Development Team Update / Upcoming Events / Timeline - presented by Melody Chalmers

Additional board member discussion followed.

14. CLOSING ITEMS

14.01 Superintendent's Update - Dr. Mary Black on behalf of Dr. Marvin Connelly

Dr. Black shared the Board Forecast for March – June 2019.

Dr. Black shared support for CCAE and all CCS employees; however, we encourage CCAE members to find solutions to keep May 1 st as an instructional day for students.

Dr. Black acknowledged students recognized for recent accolades and awards. She also shared

the observances for the month of April.

Dr. Black closed her comments tonight with a video highlighting volunteers in our schools.

14.02 Board Members' Update

14.03 Chairman's Update

Mrs. Vann acknowledged the many great things happening in CCS that we never see. CCS is a great system and she is humbled to Chair our Board this year. She apologized for the parts of the meeting tonight that were less than united. Mrs. Vann thanked our students, representatives and citizens for attending tonight's meeting and again congratulated those individuals recognized tonight.

Our next regular Board Meeting will be held on May 14, 2019. We look forward to seeing everyone again next month.

14.04 ADJOURNMENT – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Dr. Mary Black on behalf of
Dr. Marvin Connelly, Superintendent
MC/ph