

Cumberland County Board of Education
Fayetteville, North Carolina
August 14, 2018

The Cumberland County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., in the Central Services Board Room, with the following board members present: Susan Williams, Carrie Sutton, Peggy Hall, Donna Vann, Porcha McMillan, Alicia Chisolm, Judy Musgrave, Greg West and Rudy Tatum. Others present were Superintendent Marvin Connelly, Associate Superintendents Tim Kinlaw, Clyde Locklear, Betty Musselwhite, Ron Phipps, Ruben Reyes, and Mary Black; Board Attorney Nick Sojka; representatives of the principals association, media representative, district PTA representative, representatives of the NCAEOP and representatives of the teacher assistants association.

OPENING ITEMS

Chairman Carrie Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Our Pledge of Allegiance was led by Porcha McMillan, followed by the invocation by Rudy Tatum.

PUBLIC FORUM

We had no citizens requesting to speak in Public Forum this evening

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion by Judy Musgrave, seconded by Peggy Hall, the agenda, as presented, was adopted unanimously by the full Board.

Chairman Carrie Sutton called for a motion to approve the **CONSENT AGENDA**.

Upon a motion by Carrie Sutton, seconded by Alicia Chisolm the Consent Agenda items were approved by the following vote:

Voting in favor were Porcha McMillan, Carrie Sutton, Judy Musgrave, Rudy Tatum, Alicia Chisolm, and Peggy Hall.

Greg West, Susan Williams, and Donna Vann abstained from voting because family members were on the Personnel list presented on the Consent Agenda for approval tonight.

- 4.01 CONSIDER Approval of the Minutes of the June 5, 2018 Board Meeting
- 4.02 CONSIDER Approval of Release of Certain Students
- 4.03 CONSIDER Approval of Personnel as recommended by the Personnel Committee
- 4.04 CONSIDER Approval of Leaves of absence as recommended by the Personnel Committee
- 4.05 CONSIDER Approval of Administrative Recommendations as recommended by the Personnel Committee
- 4.06 CONSIDER Approval of Agreement between CCS and Action Pathways, Inc., Head Start as recommended by the Student Support Services Committee
- 4.07 CONSIDER Approval of Agreement between CCS and Cumberland Truancy Mediation Council as recommended by the Student Support Services Committee
- 4.08 CONSIDER Approval of Auditor Contract Amendment as recommended by the Finance

Committee

4.09 CONSIDER Approval of Bid for Five New Trucks as recommended by the Finance Committee

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS

DISCUSSION AGENDA: Curriculum Committee Report - Judy Musgrave

DISCUSSION AGENDA: Personnel Committee Report - Susan Williams

CONSIDER Closed Session Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential under N.C.G.S 115C-319 and pursuant to G.S. 143-318(a)(3), to discuss Abercrombie v. Board, 16-CVS-7878

Susan Williams made a motion to go into Closed Session (pursuant to statutes listed above) at 6:33 pm. Donna Vann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by the Board.

Carrie Sutton made a motion to come out of Closed Session at 7:38 pm. Alicia Chisolm seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to come out of Closed Session.

Board Chair Sutton called on Superintendent Connelly for his administrative recommendations.

Dr. Connelly recommended the following:

Reclassify Dr. Jane Fields from Executive Director to Assistant Superintendent, Secondary Education

Reclassify Dr. Mellotta Hill from Executive Director to Assistant Superintendent, Elementary Education

Appoint Melody Chalmers as Assistant Superintendent, District Transformation & Strategic Initiatives. This is a new position.

Hire Joe Desormeaux as Associate Superintendent of Auxiliary Services, replacing Tim Kinlaw (retiring)

Upon a motion by Alicia Chisolm, seconded by Susan Williams, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendations presented by Superintendent Connelly.

DISCUSSION AGENDA: Auxiliary Services Committee Report - Rudy Tatum

DISCUSSION AGENDA: Student Services Committee Report - Alicia Chisolm

DISCUSSION AGENDA: Budget Committee Report - Greg West

DISCUSSION AGENDA: Policy Committee Report - Peggy Hall

DISCUSSION AGENDA: Legislative Committee Report - Porcha McMillan

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS - No additional business presented

CLOSING ITEMS

Superintendent's Update:

Dr. Connelly shared the following information with the Board:

The CCS has been awarded \$499,995 for 2018-2019 and \$499,995 for 2019-2020. These funds were awarded under the School Safety Grants Program for the training and/or employment of School Resource Officers.

State Superintendent Johnson will be visiting Byrd Middle School on Aug. 16. He will be briefed on the latest security efforts, the School Angels Watch Program, and security upgrades in our schools.

Dr. Connelly updated the Board on the number of students enrolled in our Year-Round and Early-In schools. We are ramping up for the return of traditional calendar students on August 27th.

The formation of the Superintendent's Student Voices Council (SSV), made up of 11th and 12th-grade students, and the Superintendent's Teacher Advisory Council (STAC), composed of teachers from across the district, will begin soon. Both groups will meet with Dr. Connelly regularly to share their thoughts and ideas regarding the direction of the district.

Dr. Connelly shared that we received full accreditation from AdvancED.

Closing, Dr. Connelly shared his video regarding the CLC3 tour. The first session was a great success and we look for that to continue. Dr. Connelly invited everyone to attend and share your input.

Chairman's Update:

On behalf of the Board, Ms. Sutton extended best wishes for a happy and successful school year for all students and staff. She encouraged everyone to be observant of school buses and children as our students travel to and from school.

Ms. Sutton thanked our citizens for attending our meeting this evening and invited everyone to our next meeting in September.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Dr. Marvin Connelly, Jr. Superintendent

