

KANNAPOLIS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

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| Date: October 12, 2020 | Present: | Mr. Todd Adams, Chair Mr. Kevin Clark Mrs. Brenda McCombs Mrs. Anita Parker Mrs. Kristina Cook Dr. Chip Buckwell Mr. Kevin Garay Dr. Jessica Grant Mr. Will Crabtree Ms. Kim Soryz Mr. Brandon McPherson, attorney Mrs. Ashley Forrest, recorder |
| Time: 5:30 PM | | |
| Place: Board – Boardroom Administrative Offices | | |
| Public – Virtual by Zoom | | |

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Todd Adams called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

At 5:37 p.m., a motion was made by Mrs. Parker that the Board convene in Closed Session, pursuant to General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged, and pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of student information that is confidential under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, and pursuant to Gen. Stat 143-318.11(a)(6) to prevent the disclosure of personnel information that is confidential under N. C. Gen. Stat. 115C-319 through -321. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

Closed Session was adjourned at 6:28 p.m. and Open Session was reconvened at 6:32 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Soryz requested approval of the personnel list as presented with no one requesting a leave of absence (for action), seven persons leaving employment (for information), two persons recommended for employment (for action), and one person recommended for employment change (for information). Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the personnel list as presented. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

Dr. Grant requested approval of the student assignment list as presented with four students granted release from and nine students granted acceptance to Kannapolis City Schools. Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the student assignment list as amended. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

Mr. Clark made a motion to approve and release the Closed Session minutes from September 14, 2020 and September 28, 2020. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Mr. Clark and second from Mrs. Cook, the minutes from the September 14, 2020, September 28, 2020, and October 6, 2020, Open Session and the August 27, 2020, credit card statement were approved as presented.

RECOGNITIONS

Six persons from Kannapolis Middle School were recognized. Jayvion Stevens is a hardworking individual who continuously participates. While many students are feeling anxious and overwhelmed about participating in a smaller class environment, Jayvion has embraced it head on. Matthew Gentry is a fully remote instruction student in 8th grade. Matthew stands out for his great work ethic, which is even more remarkable in an entirely remote setting. Clay Steward and The Refuge Church have been supportive, not only the student at KMS, but the staff, as well. They give encouragement and support in many ways. Alicia Rivens has taken on a whole new level of support this year. She has taken on hotspot/Chromebook responsibilities, home visits and even called parents and students to ensure that they were able to log in and be successful this year. Felicia Shepard has worked tirelessly to provide a quality education to our 8th grade virtual students. Initially taking on close to 200 students, she worked diligently to communicate with parents and students to ensure they were prepared and receiving a quality education. Joey Chapman has stepped up and assisted all staff with the transition to Canvas. He has provides professional development to almost the entire staff individually and has been able to trouble shoot any and all issues on the go.

Rachel Ridenhour, second grade teacher at G. W. Carver Elementary Schools, was recognized as the October Hilbish Ford Outstanding Teacher of the Month. She was nominated for this award by three different families. They each spoke to the way Ms. Ridenhour cars for all of her student and strives to make learning fun.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no requests for public comment.

BEGINNING TEACHER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Ms Soryz presented the 2020-2021 Beginning Teacher Support Program plan and summarized changes to the plan to meet new legislation and requirements. Mrs. McCombs made a motion to approve the Beginning Teacher Support Program plan as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

POLICIES FOR SECOND READING

Dr. Buckwell presented Item Q and recommended adopting the policies and repealing corresponding old policies as outlined. Mrs. McCombs made a motion that the Board adopt all policies as presented. Mr. Clark gave the second and then made a motion to amend the original motion. The amended motion called for the board to adopt all policies under Item P as presented on second read and, as indicated in Item P, repeal all corresponding old policies. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

POLICIES FOR FIRST READING

Dr. Buckwell shared the following policies for first reading as a part of the Policy Manual

Conversion:

- 9000 Planning to Address Facility Needs
- 9010 Site Selection
- 9020 Facility Design
- 9030 Facility Construction
- 9110 Selection and Use of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors, and Construction Managers At Risk
- 9115 Prequalification of Bidders for Construction Work
- 9130 Supervision of Construction Contracts
- 9200 Care and maintenance of Facilities
- 9205 Pest Management
- 9210 Care and Maintenance of Grounds and Outdoor Equipment
- 9220 Security of Facilities
- 9300 Naming Facilities
- 9400 Sale, Disposal, and Lease of Board-Owned Real Property

Mrs. Parker made a motion that the Board adopt Policies 9000-9400 as listed on the agenda on first read. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

FINANCE

Will Crabtree presented the amendments and transfers for review. Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve State (1) Amendment 1, Local (2) Amendment 1, Federal (3) Amendment 1, and Local (8) Amendment 1 as presented. Mrs. Cook gave the second and the motion carried. Mr. Crabtree also shared the monthly report and the monthly superintendent travel and expense report.

Mr. Crabtree requested approval of the EMS LINQ Master Subscription Agreement for a five year renewal on the financial and human resources software. The contract had been reviewed and revised by Schwartz and Shaw. Mrs. McCombs made a motion that the EMS LINQ Master Subscription Agreement be approved as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

Additionally, Mr. Crabtree requested the approval of a Waiver of Competitive Bidding for the use of A3 Communications as they are on state contract. Mrs. Parker made a motions that the board approve the Waiver of Competitive Bidding. Ms. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

Mr. Crabtree also summarized the RFP process followed for a project manager for the McKnight renovations and recommended Shiel Sexton Company, Inc. be approved. Mrs. McCombs made a motion

that Shiel Sexton Company, Inc. be accepted as the project manager for the McKnight renovations contingent upon an agreeable contract. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

FACILITIES

Mr. Crabtree updated board members on the status of district projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several announcements and upcoming events were discussed.

Chairman Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Daron C. Buckwell, Ed.D., Superintendent

Todd Adams, Chair