

KANNAPOLIS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Date: December 17, 2018	Present:	Mr. Todd Adams, Chair Mrs. Anita Parker
Time: 5:00 PM		Mr. Kevin Clark Mrs. Brenda McCombs
Place: Administrative Office Board Room		Dr. Chip Buckwell Dr. Kelly Burgess Dr. Jessica Grant Mr. Will Crabtree Dr. Matt Schleider Mrs. Ashley Forrest, recorder

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Todd Adams called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Parker read the motions to enter into closed session for personnel, student matters, and attorney-client privilege.

Personnel Motion – Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6). I move that the Kannapolis Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of considering personnel matters as defined in and allowed by N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6) and N.C.G.S. §115C-319.

To Prevent the Disclosure of Information that is Privileged or Confidential – Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (a)(1) and N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (c), for the purpose of discussing and reviewing a student’s official school records which are considered privileged and confidential as provided in N.C.G.S. §115C-402 and / or N.C.G.S. § 115C-114 and 20 U.S.C. 1232g-FERPA.

Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

The Board entered closed session at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Adams declared the return to open session at 5:51 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:00 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

Dr. Burgess requested approval of the personnel list as presented, with three persons requesting a leave of absence (for action), with eight persons leaving employment (for information), twenty-two persons recommended for employment (for approval), and three persons changing assignments (for information). Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the list as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

Dr. Grant requested approval of the student assignment list as presented, with one student denied and three students granted release and one student recommended for acceptance into Kannapolis City Schools for 2018-2019. Mrs. McCombs made a motion to approve the list as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the closed session minutes from November 5, 2018. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Mr. Clark and second from Mrs. Parker, the minutes from the November 5, 2018, meeting were approved as presented as were the October 27, 2018, credit card statement and November 2018 Head Start Policy Council minutes.

RECOGNITIONS

Six persons from Shady Brook Elementary School were recognized: Alexa Mata has a tremendous work ethic. She gives every assignment and task her best effort. LeNay Turnage embodies all of the characteristics of a natural leader. She makes smart choices, and you can tell that she values her time in school and the people who support her. Mary Ellen Covington has built deep relationships with students and staff. Her impact has been tremendous. Cecilia Hauck is a substitute teachers clamor to get. They know she will take exceptional care of their kids while they are gone, and they have seen Mrs. Hauck's deep respect for students and each classroom's instruction. Dorel Simmons is a natural at everything. Teachers marvel at his incredible ability to deliver small and whole group instruction. It feels as if there are two teachers in the classroom whenever Dorel is providing academic support. Cindy Lawrence is in only her second year at Shady Brook, but she has demonstrated exemplary leadership. Not only has she provided strong ESL instruction to students, but she also has carved out time each week to work with every team of teachers on instructional planning, data analysis, and student review.

Kristina Cook, with Mary Beth Burgess State Farm Insurance, presented Will Gibson with a check for \$100 to purchase books in honor of the Shady Brook persons recognized this evening.

Emanuel Gonzalez, Math Teacher at A. L. Brown High School, was honored as the Hilbish Ford Teacher of the Month.

Steve Fulton, English Language Arts Teacher at Kannapolis Middle School, was recognized for his recent publication in the peer-reviewed Middle School Journal.

Laura Baker, K-12 Math Instructional Coach for the system, was recognized for her leadership in the Collaborative and their recent Innovator Award.

The administrative team from A. L. Brown High School, including Dr. Todd Parker, Garrett Cooperman, Alex Elliott, Cynthia Mills and Scott Rogers, were recognized for their extraordinary response to the crisis event on campus on October 31, 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A request for public comment had been received but the applicant was not in attendance at the meeting. There were no other requests for public comment.

PROPOSED 2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Dr. Burgess gave an overview of the process used to draft the calendar presented for review by Human Resources and the Calendar Committee, including feedback from staff and parents. She also shared the results from the survey that went out to families and the community for additional feedback. She presented a proposed 2019-2020 School Calendar that began the school year slightly earlier in August to accommodate finishing the first semester and exams before the Christmas break. The proposed calendar also took into account the survey requests to move Spring Break to the week after Easter. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the year-round calendar as presented. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

ESSA SCHOOL DESIGNATIONS

Dr. Matt Schleider presented an overview of the ESSA School Designations, where each Kannapolis City School fell, and what the district will do in response to the information.

POLICY 1326 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS (SECOND READING)

Dr. Burgess presented revisions to Policy 1326 – Public Participation at Board Meetings for second reading. These revisions were based on recommendations from the Board Attorneys at Schwarz and Shaw. Mr. Clark suggested adding the word “next” to the policy under section B 1 regarding when requests should be received by the superintendent making the request effective for the “next” regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting. Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the revised Policy 1326 – Public Participation at Board meetings for Final Reading as amended. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

POLICY MANUAL CONVERSION AND REVIEW

Dr. Buckwell presented some of the options available from the North Carolina School Board Association (NCSBA) for reviewing, revising and sharing board policies. He proposed contracting with NCSBA for the Policy Manual Conversion with the understanding that Board Attorneys at Schwartz and Shaw would review those and customize as needed as part of the monthly retainer they receive from Kannapolis City Schools. He noted that we would continue the PLS Update Service after the first year of the conversion contract and other NCSBA services, including the Administrative Regulations Manual and Online Webhosting Services would be utilized as needed. Mrs. Parker made a motion to contract with NCSBA for the Policy Manual Conversion process. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

FINANCE

Mr. Crabtree presented Local Fund 2 Amendment #2, Local Fund 8 Amendment #2, and Federal Fund 3 Amendment #1 for review and approval. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the amendments as presented. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

Mr. Crabtree reviewed the monthly report.

FACILITIES

Mr. Crabtree update board members about district projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several upcoming meetings and events were discussed.

Chairman Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Daron C. Buckwell, Ed.D., Superintendent

Todd Adams, Chair