

KANNAPOLIS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Date: October 9, 2017

Present:

Mr. Todd Adams, Chair
Mr. Daniel Wallace, Vice-Chair
Mr. Kevin Clark
Mrs. Anita Parker
Mrs. Danita Rickard
Dr. Chip Buckwell
Dr. Kelly Burgess
Mr. Will Crabtree
Mrs. Ellen Boyd
Mr. Brian Shaw, attorney
Mrs. Ashley Forrest, recorder

Time: 5:00 PM

Place: G. W. Carver Elementary
Media Center

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Todd Adams called the meeting to order at 5:13 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.

To Preserve the Attorney-Client Privilege - Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S § 143.318.11(a)(3) and N.C.G.S § 143.318(c), to receive legal advice from our attorney which comes within the purview of the attorney-client privilege.

Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

The Board entered closed session at 5:15 p.m.

Chairman Adams declared the return to open session at 5:56 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

ACTION ITEMS

Dr. Buckwell reviewed the personnel list and recommended no leave of absences, eleven persons leaving employment (for information), twenty persons recommended for employment (for action), and one employment change (for information). Mrs. Rickard made a motion to accept the personnel list as amended. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

Mrs. Rickard made a motion to approve and open the Closed Session minutes from September, 2017. Mr. Wallace gave the second and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Mr. Wallace and second from Mrs. Parker, the minutes from the September 11, 2017 meeting were approved as presented, as well as the credit card statement for the month, and Head Start Policy Council meeting.

RECOGNITIONS

Six persons from Woodrow Wilson Elementary School were recognized: Ava Parker is a hard-working and well-rounded second grade student who always attempts everything that is asked of her. She excels academically and takes pride in all that she does. Freddy Dapper is a fourth grade student who always has his nose in a book and a smile on his face. He puts forth his best effort and stays focused on academics while making sure he supports his peers as a good friend. Shannon Dapper is a tremendous asset to Woodrow Wilson as a volunteer and work extremely hard to support the school. She is extremely dependable and does an amazing job of tapping into the community to seek out resources and support. Elaine Walker is a “go-to” substitute teacher who has been a part of the Woodrow Wilson family for several years. She seamlessly enters a classroom and picks up instruction from lesson plan, offers love and care to students, and ensure the safety of all. Effie Rayburn is an amazing Instructional Assistant with twelve years of experience at Woodrow Wilson. She has high expectations not only for herself but also for her students. Olivia Myers started her journey with Woodrow Wilson as a UNCC student teacher, has taught third grade the past two years and is currently teaching fourth grade. She achieves outstanding student growth and achievement with ease because she is so talented with engaging her learners.

Six persons from Fred L. Wilson Elementary School were recognized: Bryce Morgan is an extremely hard-working fourth grader who always models positive behavior. You will always catch him doing the right thing. Kelsie Webster is a fifth grader whose favorite subject is science. She is part of Girl Scouts and Girls on the Run, and in her spare time, she enjoys roller skating. Elizabeth Belush is a part of the FLW PTA and volunteers regularly in classrooms. She spent months – including every week during the summer – painting more than 50 flags on ceiling tiles as the school prepared to open its language immersion program. Barbara Bynum has been a

substitute with KCS for eleven years. She does an excellent job implement lessons, following substitute plans, and managing classroom behavior. Sydney Yow is a third grade Instructional Assistant at FLW where she has worked for twelve years. She works with small groups of students in math and reading and always meets them where they are. She also build up their confidence to help them succeed in making growth. Callie Brust began her teaching career just two years ago and is already making her mark as a fourth grade Teacher. She is in a new grade level this year, but she is already working with the school's English as a Second Language teacher to launch teaching techniques that help all students succeed.

Kristina Cook, Mary Beth Ballantine Burgess State Farm Insurance, presented Jason Irving with a check for \$100 to purchase books in honor of the Woodrow Wilson Elementary School persons recognized this evening, and also presented Mandi Campbell with a check for \$100 to purchase books in honor of the Fred L. Wilson Elementary School persons recognized.

Kim Simpson, School Nutrition Manager at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, was honored for the tremendous difference she makes for her students eating meals in the cafeteria.

Tim Jackson, Transportation Department, was honored as the Bus Driver of the Year for 2016-2017.

Tina Sinclair, Forest Park Elementary School, was honored as Hilbish Ford Teachers of the Month.

State Farm agent, Mary Beth Burgess, presented a \$25,000 Neighborhood Assist grant check to Kannapolis Education Foundation chairperson, Kristina Cook, KCS Director of Community Relations, Ellen Boyd, and KCS Superintendent, Dr. Chip Buckwell. The money will be used to help create an Advanced Manufacturing Lab in Kannapolis City Schools.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Requests

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Dr. Kelly Burgess, Assistant Superintendent, presented the School Improvement Plan process and noted that, while similar themes such as PBIS were present in all of the plans, each school's plan represented the school's unique culture and interpretation on steps to best reach goals. Principals were on hand to answer questions and share their experience with the process. Mrs. Rickard made a motion to accept the School Improvement Plans as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

HEAD START

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Grant

Jennifer Baucom, Director of J. F. McKnight Child Development Center and Head Start, reported the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has awarded \$255,000 to Kannapolis City Schools to renovate and upgrade the McKnight Head Start building.

- Program Information Report

Mrs. Baucom presented the Program Information Report, which includes enrollment and demographic, as well as other information, about the McKnight Head Start program. Mrs. Rickard

made a motion to accept the Program Information Report as presented. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

- Annual Report to the Community

Mrs. Baucom also presented the Annual Report to the Community. This is made available on the school's website. Mr. Clark made a motion to accept the Annual Report to the Community as presented. Mrs. Rickard gave the second and the motion carried.

FINANCE

- Amendments

Mr. Will Crabtree, Director of Business Operations, presented Local Budget Amendment #1. Mrs. Parker made the motion to accept the budget resolution as presented. Mrs. Rickard gave the second and the motion carried.

- Monthly Report

Mr. Crabtree, presented the monthly financial report. He also noted that Kannapolis City Schools is on target for spending at this time.

FACILITIES

Mr. Crabtree noted the new media furniture delivered to G.W. Carver Elementary School. He also noted construction at Kannapolis Middle School was progressing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several upcoming meetings and events were discussed.

The board returned to closed session at 7:36 p.m.

Chairman Adams declared the return to open session at 8:32 p.m.

Chairman Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Daron C. Buckwell, Ed.D., Superintendent

Todd Adams, Chair