

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ELIZABETH CITY-PASQUOTANK PUBLIC SCHOOLS
January 19, 2016

The Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Board of Education met on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, 3:10 p.m., for the purpose of holding Committee Meetings. The meetings were held in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

I. Academic Affairs Committee

Committee Members Present: Virginia Houston, Chair, Pam Pureza, Sharon Warden

Other Board Members Present: Harvey Beasley, Walter Jolly, Barry Overman, Dr. Denauvo Robinson

Staff Present: Dr. Larry Cartner, Dianne Meiggs, Joanne Sanders, Tammy Sawyer, Tracy Davenport, Rhonda James-Davis

Mrs. Houston called the meeting to order.

Tammy Sawyer requested that the Board appoint a member to serve on the District Teacher of the Year Committee. Dr. Denauvo Robinson volunteered to serve.

Dr. Cartner discussed the NC Works Career Coach Grant being administered by College of The Albemarle Career Coach. He recommended partnering with COA and proposed an "in-kind" contribution that would not exceed \$5000. Members discussed the Career Coach Program and agreed to partner with College of The Albemarle. The item will be placed on the consent agenda for the January 25, 2016, Board meeting.

The Academic Affairs Committee adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

II. Finance Committee

Committee Members Present: Harvey Beasley, Chair, Barry Overman, Virginia Houston

Other Board Members Present: Walter Jolly, Pam Pureza, Dr. Denauvo Robinson, Sharon Warden

Staff Present: Dr. Larry Cartner, Dianne Meiggs, Joanne Sanders, Tammy Sawyer, Tracy Davenport, Rhonda James-Davis

Mr. Beasley called the meeting to order.

The January Monthly Maintenance Report was shared.

Mr. Beasley inquired about pipes and how they were holding up during the cold weather. Dr. Cartner reported that at the present time there have been no problems with frozen pipes. Dr. Cartner discussed issues with heating systems at some schools.

2015-16 Fundraising Requests were reviewed. Dr. Cartner informed members that Northeastern High School had requested that the “fundraising sheets for football team” item on the request form be deleted.

Members discussed the fundraising requests. The requests will be placed on the January 25, 2016, consent agenda for approval.

The Finance Committee adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

III. Policy Committee

Committee Members Present: Walter Jolly, Chair, Dr. Denauvo Robinson, Sharon Warden

Other Board Members Present: Harvey Beasley, Virginia Houston, Barry Overman, Pam Pureza

Staff Present: Dr. Larry Cartner, Dianne Meiggs, Joanne Sanders, Tammy Sawyer, Tracy Davenport, Rhonda James-Davis

Mr. Jolly called the meeting to order.

Dr. Cartner informed members that Board Attorney, John Leidy, would attend the meeting and under “other” discuss a lawsuit being filed against the state by some school systems.

Members discussed Policy 7340 – Employee Dress and Appearance. It was decided to remove the section regarding flip-flops and to make the policy effective July 1, 2016.

Members discussed Policy Series 7000, Section B. The policies have been under review and it was recommended that they be placed on the January 25, 2016, consent agenda for approval.

Mr. Overman informed members that the current policy regarding committee structure would need to be changed and aligned with the new committees that would be formed based on the system goals. This will be placed on the February Policy Committee Agenda.

The Policy Committee recessed at 3:50 p.m. with plans to reconvene when John Leidy arrived for the meeting. The Policy Committee reconvened at 4:10 p.m.

John Leidy discussed a lawsuit being filed by several school systems against the state in order to recover monies that were paid to the state as fines for “improper equipment” on vehicles and were not paid to school systems through fines and forfeitures as mandated by General Statute. Mr. Leidy recommended that the Board request permission to be added to the pending lawsuit and asked for direction on how to proceed.

Board members discussed the matter.

A motion was made by Pam Pureza, seconded by Harvey Beasley, and unanimously carried to proceed with the recommendation to request permission to join the lawsuit.

The Policy Committee adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

IV. Personnel Committee

Committee Members Present: Dr. Denauvo Robinson, Chairman, Pam Pureza, Walter Jolly

Other Board Members Present: Harvey Beasley, Virginia Houston, Barry Overman, Sharon Warden

Staff Present: Dr. Larry Cartner, Dianne Meiggs

Dr. Robinson called the meeting to order.

Closed Session

A motion was made by Dr. Denauvo Robinson, seconded by Walter Jolly, and unanimously carried to go into closed session for the purpose of considering personnel actions that involve employees of this Board as allowed by NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6).

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following were recommended for approval:

Resignations
Elections
Reassignments
Leaves of Absence
Substitutes

Members discussed recommendations and personnel matters.

A motion to come out of closed session was made by Walter Jolly, seconded by Sharon Warden, and unanimously carried. Full and accurate minutes of the closed session will be kept on file in the superintendent's office, but are to be withheld from public disclosure, so as to not frustrate the legitimate purposes of this closed session.

Members agreed to place resignations, elections, reassignments, leaves of absence and substitutes on the January 25, 2016, consent agenda for approval.

The Personnel Committee meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.