

**Directors' Meeting
2,6.18 – 10:30 a.m.**

Present:

Cartner
Austin
Davenport
Flach
Floyd, F.
Whitehurst

Floyd, T.
Godfrey
Hawkins
James-Davis
Lane

Lassiter
Sanders
Thompson

Dr. Cartner reported that the Board of Education will meet in a Retreat session on Thursday, February 8, 2018, beginning at 8:00 a.m., in the Community Room of the Pasquotank County Public Safety Building. He indicated the morning session would consist of district information and the afternoon session would be NCSBA Master Board Training. He asked that directors wear their gray district shirts for the meeting.

Dr. Cartner indicated there are reports that the General Assembly is discussing class size legislation. He will share information as it becomes available.

Austin reported that mClass testing will be complete on 2.7.18.

Lane reported that new employee orientations are being held as individuals are hired.

Whitehurst reported that ECPPS 5th graders recently participated in the 4H Science Fair and represented the district well. She thanked everyone that helped with judging and transportation.

Flach reported that the Ex. Children's Department is offering DEC-5 training to administrators to help with making paperwork more comprehensive. This was an area identified by a DPI Program Compliance Audit that needed attention.

Lassiter provided information on upcoming legislative changes to teacher contracts and discussed the impacts on the district and region. There was group discussion regarding competition with other districts, incentives, challenges, etc.

Lane and Lassiter discussed testing issues related to licensure that will impact teacher contracts. A meeting was held on 2.5.18 with Beginning Teachers to reinforce information about testing requirements related to licensure,

James-Davis shared that February is Career/Technology Education month. She asked that folks thank a CTE teacher for all they do.

Hawkins shared that this week is National School Counselor Week, next week will be Love the Bus Week and the following week is National FFA Week.

James-Davis shared info about new robotics program at Northeastern High School and thanked F. Floyd and the Maintenance Department for getting the new lab up and running. Dr. Cartner thanked all for their work in getting the program going.

Lassiter asked for feedback/thoughts/ideas on work the Human Resources Department can do on the front end to assist individuals hired through programs such as VIF (Visiting International Faculty) in terms of transition to the United States and particularly to our area. The following areas of concern were discussed: housing assistance/contact prior to arrival; weather changes; transportation; interaction with students (discipline); contact information on "who to call" regarding issues; etc.

F. Floyd shared that the Maintenance Department is making headway on issues with heating systems. He indicated that several items have been addressed that should improve issues experienced at Northside Elementary School.

The meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.