

NEW HANOVER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
RETREAT MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2017

The New Hanover County Board of Education met for a Retreat on Saturday, January 21, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in the Trustee's Conference Room of the Union Station Building on the campus of Cape Fear Community College.

Retreat
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2017

At 9:11 a.m., Chairman Edward Higgins called the meeting to order. The following were present:

Called to Order

Edward B. Higgins, Chairman
Jeannette S. Nichols, Vice Chairperson
Janice A. Cavenaugh, Board Member
Donald S. Hayes, Board Member
Lisa Estep, Board Member
Bruce T. Shell, Board Member
David L. Wortman, Board Member

Dr. Tim Markley, Superintendent
Tabitha Adams, Administrative Assistant
(arrived at 9:15 a.m.)

Under Approval of the Agenda, Board Member Donald Hayes moved to approve the agenda. Vice Chairperson Jeannette Nichols seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Approval of
Agenda

Under Information, Board Responsibilities - Board members discussed a Board self-evaluation; the Superintendent's evaluation instrument; and communication between Board members, staff, the community and governmental agencies. The Board decided to:

Board
Responsibilities

- Revised the Superintendent's evaluation instrument
- Develop a Board Committee to research and bring forth an evaluation tool
The committee members are Jeannette Nichols, Donald Hayes and Bruce Shell.
- Host a dinner between the Board and the NHC Commissioners
- Hold work sessions on various school sites to give an opportunity for students parents, and staff to engage with Board members prior to the meeting
- Direct administration to meet annually with the various communities within New Hanover County to share school system news/events, answer questions and respond to concerns
- Use student based PSA to share information with the public

At 10:55 a.m., Chairman Edward Higgins called a recess.

Recess

At 11:07 a.m., Chairman Edward Higgins called the meeting to order.

To Order

Under D.C. Virgo, Board Members reviewed current enrollment numbers, school position allotment documents and the school based non-salary budget document. Members discussed the increase participation in the Parent Teacher Association, the dedication of the Blue Ribbon Commission and the hardworking staff. In addition, the Board discussed enrollment numbers and a dual enrollment option for the school.

D.C. Virgo



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Under CTE High School, Board member reviewed the Project Update documents.

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CTE High School

Under In-school Suspension, J.C. Roe Center, and Low Performing Schools, Board Members reviewed the In-school Suspension Mid-year Executive Summary and the Priority Schools documents. A discussion was held on reaching out to retired military to mentor Roe students; magnet schools and whether they are operating as true magnet schools; how to balance schools to enrich learning experiences for all students; and to speak with the teachers and administration from the high poverty schools.

In-school
Suspension

Under Taxing Authority, Board Member reviewed the North Carolina School Boards Association Fiscal Independence Issue Brief, various articles and a sample resolution. Board members discussed the resolution thoroughly and determined that this wasn't the best time to approve of this resolution. Members agreed to discuss the resolution with the New Hanover County Commissioners.

Taxing Authority

Board Members approved the Budget Committee dates: March 15th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and March 22nd from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The meeting will be held at the administration building, 6410 Carolina Beach Road.

Budget

Dr. Markley present Assistant Superintendent Eddie Andersons redistricting timeline.

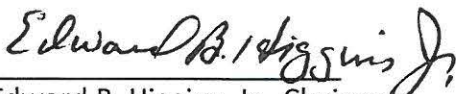
Redistricting

A discussion was held regarding forming a foundation board. The Superintendent will direct Wayne Bullard to bring forth the legal documents necessary to form a foundation board.

Foundation
Board

At 2:40 p.m., Board Member Janice Cavanaugh moved to adjourn. Board Member Bruce Shell seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Adjournment



Edward B. Higgins, Jr., Chairman
NHC Board of Education



Dr. Tim Markley, Secretary
Superintendent of NHCS

