

**NEW HANOVER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**FEBRUARY 4, 2020**

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The New Hanover County Board of Education met for its Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 4, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. in the BOE Center, 1805 S. 13<sup>th</sup> Street.

Regular Meeting  
February 4, 2020

At 5:30 p.m., Chairperson Lisa Estep called the meeting to order. A moment of reflection was offered. Eugene Ashley High School Cadets Posted the Colors. Trask Middle School Choir sang the National Anthem. The following were present:

Called to Order

Lisa Estep, Chairperson	Dr. Tim Markley, Superintendent
David Wortman, Vice Chairperson	Dr. LaChawn Smith, Deputy Superintendent
Stefanie Adams, Board Member	Wayne Bullard, General Counsel
Nelson Beaulieu, Board Member	
Judy Justice, Board Member	
Jeannette Nichols, Board Member	Tabitha Adams, Administrative Assistant
Bill Rivenbark, Board Member	

Under Approval of the Agenda, Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved for approval of the agenda. Board Member Jeannette Nichols seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Approval of the  
Agenda

Under Recognition, Caress Clegg presented Fulbright Teaching and Excellence and Achievement Program teachers.

Recognition

Under Call to the Audience – Nine signed up to speak.

Call to the  
Audience

Under Administrative Personnel, Item A, Appendix A, Superintendent Dr. Tim Markley recommended Douglas Massengill to serve as the principal at Porters Neck Elementary School. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved for approval. Board Vice-Chairman David Wortman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Admin.  
Personnel  
Approved

Under Head Start, Head Start Liaison Nelson Beaulieu presented the Liaison Report; as well as, the Expenditure Report.

Head Start

At 6:06 p.m., Board Vice-Chairman David Wortman moved to go into a Closed Session.

Closed Session

At 7:24 p.m. Board Members came out of the conference room into an Open Meeting.

Open Meeting

Under Information, Item A, Appendix C, Policy Committee Chairperson Jeannette Nichols present Policy 8130 Student Placement. Mrs. Nichols requested that the Board waive First Reading and approve of the policy revisions. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved to waive first reading. Board Vice-Chairman David Wortman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved to approve of Policy 8130. Board Vice-Chairman David Wortman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Policy 8130  
Approved



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Under Superintendent's Report, Item A, Appendix M, Superintendent Dr. Tim Markley and Assistant Superintendent Eddie Anderson requested approval of the Resolution and budget to provide safe drinking water in NHCS school facilities. Board Member Judy Justice moved for approval. Board Member Jeannette Nichols seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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[Safe Drinking](#)  
[Water](#)  
[Approved](#)

Under Committee Reports: Board Member Judy Justice shared information pertaining to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Board Member Stefanie Adams gave an overview of the Family Communications Committee meetings and events. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu shared detail in regards to the Dress Code Committee.

[Committees](#)

Under Consensus Items, Item A, Appendix D, Dr. Tim Markley requested approval of the Personnel List. Board Member Jeannette Nichols moved for approval. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

[Personnel](#)  
[Approved](#)

Under Consensus Items, Item B, Appendix E, Chief Financial Officer Mary Hazel Small requested approval of the Budget Amendments. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved for approval. Board Member Stefanie Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

[Budget](#)  
[Amendments](#)  
[Approved](#)

Under Consensus Items, Item C, Appendix F, Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Julie Varnam requested approval of the Change of School Assignments. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved for approval. Board Member Jeannette Nichols seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

[Change of](#)  
[School](#)  
[Assignment](#)  
[Approved](#)

Under Old Business, Item A, Appendix K, Deputy Superintendent Dr. LaChawn Smith requested approval of the ReStart Calendar. Board Member Judy Justice moved for approval. Board Member Stefanie Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

[ReStart](#)  
[Calendar](#)  
[Approved](#)

Under Old Business, Item B, Appendix L, Board Chairperson Lisa Estep presented information on the North Carolina School Boards Association Policy Services. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved to purchase the Custom Manual Project agreement. Board Member Stefanie Adams seconded the motion. Board Vice-Chairman David Wortman amended the motion and moved to approved the one-time fee of \$3,500 for Polices to Lead the Schools and \$2,500 for Update Service. Without a second, Mr. Wortman's motion fails. On the original motion, the motion carried 5 - 2 with Board Vice-Chairman David Wortman and Board Member Jeannette Nichols voting No.

[NCSBA Policy](#)  
[Services](#)  
[Approved](#)

Under New Business, Item A, Appendix H, Chief Financial Officer Mary Hazel Small requested approval of the audit contract with Cherry Bekaert LLP. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved for approval. Board Member Bill Rivenbark seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

[Audit Contract](#)  
[Approved](#)



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Under New Business, Item B, Appendix I, Assistant Superintendent Eddie Anderson requested approval of the polling place usage agreement. Board Member Judy Justice moved for approval. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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Polling Places  
Approved

Under New Business, Item C, Appendix J, Assistant Superintendent Eddie Anderson requested approval for the access control system contract for high schools. Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved for approval. Board Member Jeannette Nichols seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.


Access Control  
Contract  
Approved

Under New Business, Item D, Appendix G, Chief Financial Officer Mary Hazel Small requested approval of the lease agreement for Xerox machines. Board Member Judy Justice moved for approval. Board Member Stefanie Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Xerox Lease  
Approved

At 8:01 p.m., Board Member Nelson Beaulieu moved to adjourn. Board Member Stefanie Adams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Adjournment

  
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Lisa Estep, Chairperson  
NHC Board of Education

  
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Dr. Del Burns, Secretary  
Interim Superintendent of NHCS

