

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ELIZABETH CITY-PASQUOTANK PUBLIC SCHOOLS
April 4, 2022 - Special Meeting

The Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Board of Education met at the ECPPS Administrative Offices, 1200 Halstead Blvd. on Monday, April 4, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. for a special meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to hear a personnel appeal. The following Board members were present and constituted a quorum:

Sharon Warden, Chair
Dr. Shelia Williams, Vice-Chair
George Archuleta
Virginia Houston
Daniel Spence

The following staff members were present:
Dr. Eddie Ingram, Interim Superintendent
Rhonda James-Davis, Chief Human Resources Officer
Adrian Fonville, Deputy Chief Human Resources Officer
Marlene Wilkins, Director of Maintenance
Tammy W. Sawyer, Director of Community Schools/PIO
Executive Asst to the Superintendent and Board

Others in attendance:
John Leidy, School Board Attorney
Johny Hallow, School Board Attorney Representative

1.Meeting Called to Order by Chair

Chair Warden called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

2.Roll Call

Tammy Sawyer called the roll and recorded members in attendance for the meeting. Pam Pureza and Rodney Walton were absent for this meeting.

3.Ethics Awareness and Identification of Conflicts or Potential Conflicts of Interest

Virginia Houston read the ethics statement and allowed members the opportunity to identify any conflicts or potential conflicts. The record reflects that no conflicts exist.

4.Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Dr. Shelia Williams, seconded by George Archuleta, and carried, as confirmed by roll call, to approve the agenda for April 4, 2022, as presented. Rodney Walton nor Pam Pureza were present for this meeting.

5.Agenda Items

Closed Session

A motion was made by Dr. Shelia Williams, seconded by Virginia Houston, and carried, as confirmed by roll call, for the Board to go into closed session as allowed by N.C. General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6) for the purpose of considering one or more personnel matters that are confidential under N.C. General Statute 115C-320; and as allowed by N.C. Statute 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult

with the Board Attorney regarding matters protected by the attorney/client privilege and to preserve that privilege. Rodney Walton nor Pam Pureza were present for this meeting.

Closed session began at 5:10 p.m. The following Board Members were present: Sharon Warden, George Archuleta, Virginia Houston, Daniel Spence, and Dr. Shelia Williams. The following staff members were present: Dr. Eddie Ingram, Rhonda James-Davis, Adriane Fonville, Marlene Wilkins, and Tammy Sawyer. John Leidy and Johnny Hallow, School Board Attorneys, were also in attendance. The Board and staff discussed confidential personnel matters during the closed session.

A motion to come out of closed session was made by Dr. Shelia Williams, seconded by Daniel Spence, and unanimously carried, as confirmed by roll call. Rodney Walton nor Pam Pureza were present for this meeting. 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. Closed session ended at 7:04 p.m.

Meeting Called to Back to Order by Chair - Open Session

Chair Warden called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

The following Board members were present and constituted a quorum:

Sharon Warden, Chair
 Dr. Shelia Williams, Vice-Chair
 George Archuleta
 Virginia Houston
 Daniel Spence

The following staff members were present:

Dr. Eddie Ingram, Interim Superintendent
 Rhonda James-Davis, Chief Human Resources Officer
 Adrian Fonville, Deputy Chief Human Resources Officer
 Marlene Wilkins, Director of Maintenance
 Tammy W. Sawyer, Director of Community Schools/PIO/Executive to the Superintendent and Board of Education

Others in attendance:

John Leidy, School Board Attorney
 Johnny Hallow, School Board Attorney Representative

Financial, Business and Technology Committee

Sharon Warden, Chair

Marlene Wilkins presented additional information to the board regarding the request for approval to proceed with having NCDOT prepare agreements for work at Northeastern High, Sheep-Harney, and Central Elementary. A motion was made by Dr. Shelia Williams, seconded by George Archuleta, and carried, as confirmed by roll call vote, to move forward with the project with NCDOT for Northeastern, Sheep-Harney and Central. Rodney Walton nor Pam Pureza were present for this meeting.

7.Adjournment

A motion was made by George Archuleta, seconded by Rodney Walton, and carried to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 7:15 p.m.

Chair

Secretary