

**MINUTES**  
**DAVIE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**TUESDAY, February 7, 2023**

The Davie County Board of Education met at 6:00pm, February 7, 2023, in the Board Room of the Central Davie Education Center, 220 Martin Luther King Jr. Road, Mocksville, NC.

Board Members Present:

Wendy Horne, Chair  
Dub Potts Vice-Chair  
Paul Drechsler  
Cammie Webb  
Con Shelton  
Marie Helms  
Joe Caudle

Staff Present:

Jeff Wallace, Superintendent  
Jinda Haynes, Assistant Superintendent  
Elizabeth Troutman, Board Attorney  
Clay Harris, Chief Operations Officer  
Mavel Nelson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Education

Absent:

Jennifer Lynde, Chief Academic Officer

Wendy Horne, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:21pm.

Joe Caudle made the motion, seconded by Dub Potts to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

Wendy Horne, Chair called for a motion to go into closed session to preserve the attorney client privilege pursuant to the North Carolina General Statutes listed on the agenda, to review personnel and property matters protected by State Law and to discuss student concerns made confidential by General Statutes and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. Cammie Webb made the motion, seconded by Con Shelton; the motion carried 7-0. The Board went into closed session at 5:21pm.

Wendy Horne, Chair reconvened the meeting at 6:01 p.m. and offered the invocation. Wendy Horne, Chair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Paul Drechsler made the motion, seconded by Con Shelton to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2023 regular Board of Education meeting as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

**Board Report**

Madam Chair Mrs. Horne reviewed upcoming events in February and announced that the next Board of Education meeting would be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

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**Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Wallace began his monthly report by thanking everyone and welcoming a special guest, Davie County Manager Mr. Brian Barnett.

Mr. Wallace shared information on our platform transfer to Diligent Community, since the BoardDocs platform would no longer be available.

Mr. Wallace mentioned Mrs. Nelson's resignation and how this was her last meeting, and thanked Mrs. Nelson for a job well done.

Mr. Wallace shared information on the superintendent's, board members', and commissioners' scheduled visits to Davie County Schools.

Mr. Wallace shared attendance data, which is now at 92.68%, up from 91.0% a year ago.

Mr. Wallace provided an update on COVID 19 as of today, 0 students and 1 staff members.

Mr. Wallace provided an update on K-Building Virtual School there is a delay with the electrical panels, therefore shipment will be delayed until June or July. We are working with Davie Construction to determine when we will be able to move into the building.

Mr. Wallace shared information on the \$200,000 safety grant and thanked Mrs. Jinda Haynes for her work with the grant. The funds will be used to hire two additional SROs, resulting in an SRO on every school campus every day. Mr. Wallace thanked SRO Jeff Jones, and Sherriff Hartman and Brian Jacobs for their efforts in making this possible.

Lastly, Mr. Wallace shared information regarding the upcoming partnership with the Department of Health Davie County DHHS, Suzanne Wright and her staff, and Lori Dinger, our lead nurse, to conduct three parent/adult-only presentations at the three middle schools over the next month or two. This program educates parents about current trends in alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs, as well as the health hazards connected with teenage use and abuse, as well as North Carolina laws governing parental responsibilities. This initiative is supported through a partnership with DHHS.

Mr. Wallace welcomed Dr. David Blattner, our new Executive Director of Technology, and his family.

**Recognitions**

Mike Morgan, coach at William Ellis Middle School, recognized the football team on winning the conference championship and conference award.

Mike Morgan, coach at William Ellis Middle School, recognized the Girls Cross Country Team and Coach Erica Bost for winning the conference championship and conference award.

Clay Harris, Chief Operations Officer, was recognized by Superintendent Jeff Wallace for receiving the Award of Financial Reporting Achievement awarded to the Davie County Schools Finance Department.

**Consent Agenda**

Consent agenda items: Donations Report, Budget Amendments, Anderson Smith & Wike PLLC Contract to Audit Accounts, Personnel Recommendations Report, and Addendum to Personnel Report. Marie Helms made the motion, seconded by Joe Caudle to approve the consent items as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

**Committee/Staff Reports**

Superintendent Jeff Wallace presented the NCSBA 2022 Fall Policy Updates to the board for consideration. The policies will be presented for approval at the March 7, 2023, Board of Education meeting.

Jinda Haynes, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, presented the proposed 2023-2024 Davie County Early College High School to the board for review. The calendar will be presented for approval at the March 7, 2023, Board of Education meeting.

Butch Rooney, Executive Director of Technology, John Marshall, Digital Teaching and Learning Specialist, and Jill Darrough, Lead Consultant Digital Teaching and Learning, presented accomplishments, information on grant funds, and NC Department of Public Instruction (DPI), presented assessment of where we are from a statewide perspective.

Ms. Jill Darrough and Superintendent Jeff Wallace recognized and presented an award to Mr. Butch Rooney for being selected as the Piedmont Triad Tech Director of the Year.

Mr. Butch Rooney was recognized by Superintendent Jeff Wallace for his years of service to Davie County Schools and his upcoming retirement on February 28, 2023. Superintendent Jeff Wallace recognized the IT staff for their devotion, hard work, and accomplishments.

Clay Harris, Chief Operations Officer, presented the revenue and expense presentation. The presentation included year-to-date revenue and expenditure, year-to-date spending by category, and year-to-date spending by fund type.

**Business Items**

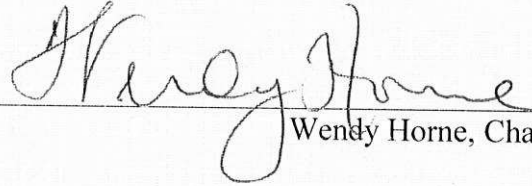
Michael Spillman, Director of Facilities presented bid information K-Building Virtual School furniture. Four furniture vendors were contacted to submit bids for the new Virtual School and Administrative Offices. Perfection Equipment, Furniture Solutions, Interior Elements, and Blankenship Associates all provided quotes for the nine major items needed to furnish twenty offices and the main meeting room with chairs and tables. The staff recommends the \$173,788.86 bid from Blankenship Associates. The bid includes taxes, delivery, and installation on all new furniture. Dub Potts made the motion, seconded by Cammie Webb to approve the bid from Blankenship Associates. The motion carried 7-0.

**Public Address to the Board**

None.

**Adjourn**

Con Shelton made the motion to adjourn with a second from Joe Caudle; the motion was approved with a 7-0 vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

  
Wendy Horne, Chair

  
Jeff Wallace, Secretary

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