

KANNAPOLIS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

<p>Date: September 9, 2019</p> <p>Time: 5:00 PM</p> <p>Place: Administrative Office Board Room</p>	<p>Present:</p> <p>Mr. Todd Adams, Chair</p> <p>Mr. Daniel Wallace, Vice Chair</p> <p>Mrs. Anita Parker</p> <p>Mr. Kevin Clark</p> <p>Mrs. Brenda McCombs</p> <p>Dr. Chip Buckwell</p> <p>Mr. Kevin Garay</p> <p>Dr. Jessica Grant</p> <p>Mr. Will Crabtree</p> <p>Ms. Kim Soryz</p> <p>Ms. Ellen Boyd</p> <p>Ms. Annie Parker</p> <p>Mr. Daryle Adams</p> <p>Dr. Matt Schleider</p> <p>Mr. Brian Shaw, attorney</p> <p>Mr. Brandon McPherson, attorney</p> <p>Mrs. Ashley Forrest, recorder</p>
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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Todd Adams called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Clark read the motions to enter into closed session for personnel, student matters, and attorney-client privilege.

Personnel Motion – Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S.§143-318.11(a)(6). I move that the Kannapolis Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of considering personnel matters as defined in and allowed by N.C.G.S.§143-318.11(a)(6) and N.C.G.S.§115C-319.

To Prevent the Disclosure of Information that is Privileged or Confidential – Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (a)(1) and N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11 (c), for the purpose of discussing and reviewing a student’s official school records which are considered privileged and confidential as provided in N.C.G.S. §115C-402 and / or N.C.G.S.§ 115C-114 and 20 U.S.C. 1232g-FERPA.

To Preserve the Attorney-Client Privilege - Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S § 143.318.11(a)(3) and N.C.G.S § 143.318(c), to receive legal advice from our attorney which comes within the purview of the attorney-client privilege.

Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

The Board entered closed session at 5:04 p.m.

Chairman Adams declared the return to open session at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTION ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION

Kim Soryz requested approval of the personnel list as presented with three persons requesting a leave of absence (for action), fourteen persons leaving employment (for information), eighteen persons recommended for employment (for approval), and five persons recommended for employment changes (for information). Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the list as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

Dr. Grant requested approval of the student assignment list as amended with five students recommended for release, two student denied release, ten students recommended for acceptance, and one denied acceptance into Kannapolis City Schools. Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the list as amended. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

Mrs. McCombs made a motion to approve the closed session minutes from August 12, 2019. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Mr. Clark and second from Mrs. Parker, the minutes from the August 12, 2019, meeting were approved as presented, as was the July 27, 2019, credit card statement.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Dr. Buckwell proposed amending the agenda, moving Accountability Overview to item V. and Curriculum and Instruction Update to item VI. Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

RECOGNITIONS

Six persons from Shady Brook Elementary School were recognized. Messiah Bost is a very responsible young man and extremely respectful to everyone. All of his teachers adore him and love the energy that he brings to school every day. Raeliy Tallman makes smart choices and you can tell that she values her time in the school and the people who support her. Ron and Cindy Adkins are steadfast in their dedication and commitment to Shady Brook's students. Ron and Cindy know the different needs of Shady Brook teachers and do all they can to help each one of them. Teachers clamor to get Mr. Faulkenbury as their sub because they know he will take exceptional care of their kids while they are gone. They have seen Jerry's deep respect for student, and they know learning won't miss a beat with him as a sub. Lori Murray has a very strong instinct and a "knack" for being in sync with every 3rd, 4th and 5th grade teacher she serves. She truly provides academic support and small group instruction that parallels exactly what is going on in the classroom and what her students need. Colleen Dolby is in only her third year at Shady Brook but she has changed the school. She meets the needs of all students, and she demonstrates an innate talent to do the same with her colleagues.

A check for \$100 from Mary Beth Burgess State Farm Insurance was presented to Will Gibson to purchase books in honor of the Shady Brook Elementary School persons recognized this evening.

Tara Copeland, a Pre-K teacher at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, was honored as the Hilbish Ford Outstanding Teacher of the Month.

Mr. Wallace joined the meeting by phone at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were two requests to address the Board received before the meeting. Chairman Adams read a statement reviewing the policy regarding public participation at Board meetings before the speakers were called forward. Holly Ball, a parent of students currently enrolled in Kannapolis City Schools, expressed concerns regarding dress code, bus transportation and classroom resources. Richard Soto, also a parent of current students, expressed concerns regarding dress code, bus transportation and classroom materials, as well.

SUMMER SCHOOL UPDATE

Kelly Fainter and Tina Sinclair shared information on the camps offered by Kannapolis City Schools this summer. Two-hundred and sixty-five campers were served at G. W. Carver Elementary for reading camp. Additionally, there were thirty 5th graders and ten 8th graders at science camp and forty campers participating in Camp Wonder. They gave an overview of the daily activities and the many successes of camp.

ACCOUNTABILITY OVERVIEW

Dr. Schleider presented an overview of the 2018-2019 school year accountability data and school performance.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION UPDATE

Kevin Garay overviewed his transition plan for understanding district initiatives and his leadership vision as he nears the end of his first month as district Assistant Superintendent. He updated board members on the status of C&I work in the district to date.

BEGINNING TEACHER HANDBOOK 2019-2020

Kim Soryz reviewed the newest version of the Beginning Teacher Handbook and discussed the program designed to support new teachers. Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the Beginning Teacher Handbook as presented. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

POLICIES FOR SECOND READING

Dr. Buckwell presented Item C and recommended adopting Section 3000 policies and repealing corresponding old policies as outlined. Mrs. Parker made a motion that the Board adopt all policies under Item C on second read, and as indicated in Item C, repeal all corresponding old policies. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

POLICIES FOR FIRST READING

Dr. Buckwell shared the following policies for first reading as a part of the Policy Manual Conversion:

- Policy 2120 Code of Ethics for School Board Members

- Policy 3200 Selection of Instructional Materials
- Policy 3210 Parental Inspection of and Objections to Instructional Materials
- Policy 3220 Technology in the Educational Program (R&P Bring Your Own Device (BYOD))
- Policy 3225/4312/7320 Technology Responsible Use (R&P Student Internet & Social Media Use and R&P Digital and Social Media Rules & Procedures)
- Policy 3226/4205 Internet Safety
- Policy 3227-7322 Web Page Development
- Policy 3230/7330 Copyright Compliance
- Policy 3300 School Calendar and Time for Learning
- Policy 3320 School Trips
- Policy 3400 Evaluation of Student Progress
- Policy 3405 Students at Risk of Academic Failure
- Policy 3410 Testing and Assessment Program
- Policy 3420 Student Promotion and Accountability (R&P Credit Recovery Program)
- Policy 3430 School Improvement Plan
- Policy 3431 Conflict Resolution

Board members asked for clarification on a few items. Mrs. Parker made a motion that the Board adopt Policies 3200-3431 as listed on the agenda on first read. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

KCS POLICIES TO BE TEMPORARILY RENAMED

Dr. Buckwell recommended, on the advice of Attorney Katie Cornetto, that during the conversion process, policies with conflicting numbers be temporarily renamed by their title only, not by a policy number. For the Section 3000 policies being adopted on second read and reviewed on first read, the renaming was outlined on the Temporary Renaming list. Mr. Clark made a motion that the Board adopt the new renaming of all policies on the Temporary Renaming list. Mrs. McCombs gave the second and the motion carried.

POLICY 5035 POLITICAL ACTIVITIES ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Dr. Buckwell presented a new policy addressing political campaigning on school property. Chairman Adams requested that, once adopted, the policy be shared with both the Rowan and the Cabarrus Board of Elections to be given to candidates. Mrs. Parker made a motion that Policy 5035 Political Activities on School Property be approved on first read. Mr. Wallace gave the second and the motion carried.

POLICY 3040/4040/8340 CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK OF APPLICANTS AND INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

Dr. Buckwell recommended a revision to Item 3 in the policy to bring alignment between practice, legal requirements and policy. Mr. Clark made a motion that the Board suspend Policy 3040/4040/8340. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried. Mrs. McCombs make a motion to approve revised Policy 3040/4040/8340 on first and second read. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

FINANCE

Mr. Crabtree reported that there is still no approved state budget for the new school year. Chairman Adams requested monthly reports using the most accurate fund budget numbers available each month until a new budget is approved.

FACILITIES

Mr. Crabtree updated board members on current and recently completed projects around the district. Daryle Adams shared progress on the Wonder Career Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several upcoming meetings and events were discussed.

Chairman Adams adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

Daron C. Buckwell, Ed.D., Superintendent

Todd Adams, Chair