

KANNAPOLIS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Date: August 14, 2017

Time: 3:00 PM

Place: Administrative Office
Board Room

Present: Mr. Todd Adams, Chair
Mr. Kevin Clark
Mrs. Anita Parker
Mrs. Danita Rickard
Dr. Chip Buckwell
Dr. Kelly Burgess
Mr. Will Crabtree
Mrs. Kim Soryz
Mrs. Ellen Boyd
Mr. Brian Shaw, attorney
Mrs. Nancy Barger, recorder

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Todd Adams called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Chip Buckwell requested to amend the agenda to include clarification of meeting times. Mrs. Parker made a motion to accept the agenda as amended. 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 July 10 and August 2, 2017 meetings were approved as presented, as well as the credit card statement for the month.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Requests

CURRICULUM UPDATE

Dr. Kelly Burgess, Assistant Superintendent, noted that Professional Development for teachers continues to be supported. A district representative has been assigned to each school to meet weekly with school leaders to make it possible for principals and assistant principals to get into classrooms more frequently.

POLICIES

- Policy 3420 – Dismissal, Demotion, and Nonrenewal of Career Status Employees, Contract Employees, Contract Teachers and Contract School Administrators (revise)
- Policy 3421 – Probationary Teacher and Nonrenewal and Election to Career Status – Remove
- Policy 3430 – Reduction in Force – Revision
- Policy 3510 – Substitute Teachers - Revision

Discussion was held regarding the revision of policies and the removal of one policy.

Mrs. Rickard made a motion to approve Policies 3420, 3430, and 3510 on first reading and remove Policy 3421 on first reading. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried. The policies will be brought back for second reading at the September meeting.

FINANCE

Mr. Will Crabtree, Director of Business Operations, presented the Apple lease agreement for iPads for elementary schools. He noted that this is a standard lease document and like the previous Apple lease. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the lease as presented. Mrs. Rickard gave the second and the motion carried.

FACILITIES

Mr. Crabtree noted that the movement of supplies, furniture, and teachers has been completed. He also noted that G.W. Carver is almost complete, but that some of the furniture for the media center will not arrive until later.

MEETING TIME

Although previously approved, it was noted that the actual start time of the board meetings will be 5:00, with the board going into Closed Session at that time, and the Open Session beginning at 6:00. Mr. Clark made a motion to change the official time to 5:00. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Parker 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.

Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

The Board entered closed session at 3:48 p.m.

Chairman Adams declared the return to open session at 4:56 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

Mrs. Kim Soryz, Director of Human Resources, reviewed the personnel list and recommended no leaves of absence (for action), three persons leaving employment (for information), sixteen persons recommended for employment (for action), and two employment changes (for information). Mr. Clark made a motion to accept the personnel list as amended. Mrs. Rickard gave the second and the motion carried.

Dr. Grant requested approval of the student assignment list as presented, with six students to be released from Kannapolis City Schools for 2017-18 and two denied release. Seven students were accepted into Kannapolis City Schools for 2017-18. Mrs. Rickard made a motion to approve the list as amended. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion was approved.

Mrs. Rickard made a motion to approve and open the Closed Session minutes from June 26. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve and open the Closed Session minutes from June 12 and July 10, and approve and close the Closed Session minutes from August 2. Mrs. Rickard gave the second and the motion carried.

The board returned to closed session at 4:58 p.m.

Chairman Adams declared the return to open session at 5:22 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several upcoming meetings and events were discussed.

Chairman Adams adjourned the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

Daron C. Buckwell, Ed.D., Superintendent

Todd Adams, Chair