MINUTES OF
THE WILSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING/WORK SESSION
SEPTEMBER 3, 2020

The Wilson County Board of Education held a Work Session on Thursday, September 3, 2020, in the Administrative Offices, 113 N.E. Tarboro Street. The meeting was conducted virtually using the Zoom video conferencing platform. Chairman Christine L. Fitch called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. with the following members present:

Dr. Christine L. Fitch, Chairman
Henry E. Mercer, Vice Chairman
Velma Barnes
Rhyan Breen
Gary Farmer
Debora Powell
Dr. Lane B. Mills, Secretary

Dr. Fitch participated in the meeting at the Administrative Offices. The other Board members participated offsite. Mrs. Boyette joined the session at 3:16 p.m.

Others participating were Associate Superintendent Dr. Cheryl Wilson, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Norris Parker, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Ben Williams, Executive Director of Elementary Education Jennifer Lewis, Executive Director of Secondary Education David Lyndon, Executive Director of Federal Programs Robin May, Executive Director of Technology Services Matthew Mayo, Executive Director of Exceptional Children Melissa McFatter, Executive Director of Accountability and Testing Scott Sage, Executive Director of Financial Services Art Stanley, Director of School-Aged Childcare Amy Deans, Director of Transportation Robert Harvey, Director of Certified Personnel Tracey Leon, Director of Maintenance Mark Letchworth, Director of School Nutrition Mary-Catherine Talton, Director of Public Relations Amber Lynch, Wilson County Schools Athletic Director Jimmy Tillman, Principals (Cheryl Baggett, Daniel Barnes, Luretta Hardy-Belfield, Valerie Budd, Emily Chilton, Krystal Cox, Eddie Doll, Annette Faison, F.T. Franks, Jenny Hayes, Sharon Huneycutt, Liz Jenkins, Nelson Johnston, Zach Marks, Jennifer Parker, Will Pope, Marquis Spell, Claudia Spencer, Wendy Sullivan, Zachery Temple, Kelly Thomas, Dr. Jonathan Tribula, Corey Walker, Dr. Pamela Walthall and Crystal Whitley), Assistant Principals (Olinka Baker, Chris Barnes, Byron Bullock, Lauren Byrum, Antonnia Carter, Kelly Carter, Matthew Crayton, Wendy Daniel, Samantha Charles-Dixon, Brittany Dublin, Katrina Fowler, Sabra Green, Sonya Horton, Emily Kicklighter, Tabitha Lewis, David Lott, Vanessa Love, Timothy Messer, Dana Page, Debra Rogers, Debra Simons, LaToyha Washington, Casey Wester and Chasity Whitaker), and Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Board Clerk Linda Horrison, as well as Board Attorneys Richard Schwartz and Katie Cornetto.

After calling the meeting to order, Chairman Fitch asked for approval of the agenda. Ms. Powell made the motion, seconded by Mr. Farmer, that the Board approve the agenda for the work session of September 3, 2020. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Fitch led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Dr. Fitch advised that the purpose of the meeting today was Title IX training. Dr. Fitch welcomed Richard Schwartz and turned the meeting over to him.

Mr. Schwartz introduced the legal workshop titled "New Title IX/Sexual Harassment Regulations: Significant Changes for Public Schools." Included in the discussion were changes with Title IX. On May 6, 2020, the U.S. Department of Education issued final Title IX regulations, which went into effect on August 14, 2020.

At the conclusion of the legal presentation, Mr. Schwartz turned the meeting back over to Dr. Fitch. Dr. Fitch welcomed principals, assistant principals and other administrators to the meeting. Mr. Farmer thanked Mr. Schwartz for a good presentation and all that he has done for Wilson County Schools. Dr. Fitch advised that Ms. Barnes had to leave the session due to a family emergency.

At 4:30 p.m., Mr. Farmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Mercer. The motion passed unanimously.

Christine L. Fitch

Dr. Christine L. Fitch, Chairman

Dr. Lane B. Mills, Secretary