

MINUTES  
THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING JUNE 5, 2017

The Asheville City Board of Education ("Board") held a special meeting at 11:30 a.m., on Monday, June 5, 2017, in Training Room #203 of The Asheville City Schools Administrative Offices, 85 Mountain Street, Asheville, North Carolina. Members present were:

Shaunda Sandford, Chairperson, presiding  
Martha Geitner  
Joyce Brown  
Patricia Griffin  
James E. Lee III

Comprising a quorum of the Board; also

Dr. Bobbie Short, Secretary/Interim Superintendent.  
Board Attorney, Chris Campbell

Staff:

Dr. Pam Cocke, Interim Assistant Superintendent; Charlotte Sullivan, Executive Director for Finance, Joyce Graves, Executive Director for Human Resources; Melissa Hedt, Executive Director for Teaching and Learning; Jackie Taylor, Administrative Assistant and Clerk to the Board.

Guest:

Dr. Denise Patterson, Superintendent-elect for Asheville City Schools

Media present:

Media – Julie Ball of Citizen Times

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Sandford called the special meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

I. Lance Abernathy, Asheville High School Coach introduced a Strategic Plan for Asheville High School for 2017-2021, presented the 2017-2021 Athletic Strategic Plan for Asheville High School. Following the presentation, Mr. Abernathy responded to questions from the Board.

II. Marti Sullivan and Jo Beth Landreth shared with the Board the feedback changes to the 2016-2019 AIG Plan from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) after it was approved by the Board June 2016. The plan was ranked complete with modification. The full plan is available on the AIG Website and on the schools' site.

The Guiding Principles for the AIG Plan comes from the State, Article 9B, State Legislation governing gifted education with Six State Standards that are required to be addressed in the plan and it is revised every three years by an advisory group comprised of stakeholder groups. The plan had two areas that needed to be addressed by law in Standard One (Identification) and Standard Two (Program Accountability).

- 400 students at the middle school and close to 500 at the high school have been identified as AIG students. Ms. Sullivan informed the Board that pathway 4 is being piloted with fourth and fifth graders so that they can reach the underrepresented population.
- Ms. Sullivan shared that the district is using Performance Test for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade to identify minority students when she was asked by Dr. Patterson about the tool that is being used, and it is mostly white students who are being identified as being AIG.
- A data desegregation will be conducted to include percentages of AIG in and out of district students.

III. Dr. Dickerson shared a brief history of his educational background before presenting the revised Beginning Teacher Plan since 2014. The State requested that all LEA's have a Beginning Teacher Support Plan for first through third year teachers to support the growth and development of teachers. A review of the State's requirement for a mentor was reviewed with the Board.

IV. Dr. Short and Charlotte Sullivan provided the Board with the budget portion of the Career and Technical Plan for 2017-2018 which also included the Montford North Star Academy budget for their consideration and approval. A full overview of the CTE Plan will be presented to the Board in September and will be modified if needed.

The Board reviewed the 2017-2018 Board Meeting Schedule. The August 28, 2017 work session was changed to a special called meeting so that the Board can take action. There were no additional changes to the schedule and it listed on the consent agenda for approval during opening session.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 1:10 p.m., Martha Geitner made a motion to go into closed session, pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a)(1) and (3) to prevent the disclosure of privileged or confidential personnel information pursuant to G.S. 115C-319-321, and discuss matters protected by the attorney-client privilege. The motion was seconded by James E. Lee III and carried.

At 1:50 p.m., Joyce Brown made a motion to return to open session. The motion was seconded by James E. Lee III and carried.

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

Patricia Griffin made a motion to approve the consent items listed below. The motion was seconded by James Lee and carried.

- A. Approval of Final Revisions to the Academically and Intellectually Gifted (AIG) Three-Year (2016-2019) Plan
- B. Approval of Beginning Teacher Support Program
- C. Approval of Career Technical Educational Local Plan 2017-2018
- D. Approval of Board of Education Meeting Schedule for 2017-2018
- E. 2017-2018 Drivers' Education Contract with Mountain Professionals
- F. Personnel Report

### **ACTION ITEM**

Martha Geitner made a motion to endorse the Official Maps of the Buncombe County Schools and Asheville City Schools district boundaries as developed by the County of Buncombe subject to review by the Buncombe County Schools Transportation Department. The motion was seconded by Joyce Brown and carried. The motion passed unanimously.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 2:00 p.m., the special work session and Board meeting was adjourned.

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Shaunda Sandford, Chairperson

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Dr. Bobbie Short, Secretary/Interim Superintendent