

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

6:30 p.m. - Regular - Administrative Offices

**Monday, May 7, 2018**

**BE IT REMEMBERED:** That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a regularly called session on May 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Administrative Offices located at 85 Mountain Street, Asheville North Carolina where and when the following business was transacted.

The following Board members were present:

Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair

Martha Geitner, Vice Chair

Joyce Brown, Member

James E. Lee, Member

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Denise Patterson, Superintendent; Dr. Terrence McAllister, Assistant Superintendent; Joyce Hatcher, Executive Director of Human Resources; Charlotte Sullivan, Executive Director of Finance; Shane Cassida, Curriculum and Student Resources Executive Director; Ashley Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Timofey Buzyman, Communications Liaison; Melissa Hedt, Executive Director of Teaching & Learning; Matt Whiteside, Director of Instructional Technology/Media; Chris Campbell, Attorney; Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant.

**CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by Board Chair, Shaunda Sandford

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Braden Smith, Ira B Jones Elementary

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

James Lee moved to amend the agenda to include the following items May 16th Really, Reappointment of AB Tech Trustee and Personnel Report. Martha Geitner seconded - the motion passed unanimously.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Good Evening Members of the Board of Education, Staff, and Students:

**Excellence with Equity in Asheville City Schools**

As we continue on with our journey, our goal is to provide high quality instruction to all students in Asheville City Schools. More professional development, effective use of instructional time, and implementation of best practices will be devoted to increasing student achievement and closing the achievement gap. District Office and School Teams are collaborating to discuss academic needs, determine instructional strategies, and how to monitor student outcomes.

### **AdvancED**

The visit was successful. Melissa Hedt, the Teaching & Learning Department, Leadership team, administrators, staff, and community are to be commended for their great efforts and commitment. We should receive a written report with feedback and other recommendations by the end of the school year. As soon as we receive the information, it will be communicated.

### **Special Olympics**

The Leadership Team and I had the privilege of attending the Special Olympics. Our students did a great job displaying their athletic talents and representing Asheville City Schools. Thanks to our families, administrators, and school staff for their support.

### **Volunteers/Proctors Needed**

Our students are taking end of grade and course assessments. We will need additional volunteers to proctor during assessments.

### **Recognitions**

This week is a time to honor our teachers, child nutrition workers, and nurses. Our teachers do a fantastic job creating lesson, facilitating instruction, and caring for our students. Their time and dedication is greatly appreciated. Our child nutrition workers prepare healthy meals for our students, and nurses play an important providing healthcare in our schools. Thank you to all of these individuals for helping our students.

- Congratulations to the following Battle of the Books Teams
  - Hall Fletcher Elementary School claimed first place.
  - Vance Elementary School received the Sportsmanship Award.
  
- Asheville Middle School - I enjoyed a great Sunday performance of *Who's Dying To be a Millionaire?*

### **Closing**

I look forward to visiting our students and schools over the next month. Thank you teachers, principals, and staff for all of your hard to help our students achievement success.

*Dr. Denise Patterson, Superintendent*

### **GOOD NEWS**

- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Asheville High School's Bill Hillier - Asheville Chevrolet's Coach of the Month
- Asheville Primary's Tima Williams - Western Carolina University's Outstanding Courageous Leadership Award
- Coach Sonita Warren Dixon - WNC's Girls Basketball Coach of the Year
- Bella Valdiviezo - NCHSAA's Heart of a Champion Award
- Asheville Middle School's Math II Team
- Asheville High School's Tennis Team
- National School Library Appreciation Month

## STAFF RECOGNITION

- Teacher of the Year award was presented to Lee Logan from Ira B. Jones Elementary School.
- #TheACSWay Awards recognized Certified Staff Member: John Pruett, AIG Specialist. Classified Staff Member: Pre School Teacher Assistant, Angela Talford

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Natalie Davis gave recognition to peers at Asheville High School.

## ACTION AGENDA

- AB Tech Trustee Appointment
- Policy 7410 - "up for final approval"

## CONSENT AGENDA

### A. Minutes

1. Work Session Board Retreat March 28, 2018
2. Closed Session Board retreat March 28, 2018
3. Special Called Meeting April 10, 2018
4. Closed Session Meeting April 10, 2018
5. Work Session Meeting April 16, 2018
6. Closed Session Meeting April 16, 2018
7. Regular Board Meeting April 16, 2018

### B. Field Trips -

1. Six Flags Over Georgia, 7th & 8th Jazz Band on May 19, 2018 or June 2, 2018.

### C. Summer 2018 Hours - June 29-August 10, 2018

Joyce Brown made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and James Lee seconded, the motion passed unanimously.


## ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE MEETINGS

- **AVID Banquet**, Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at 6:00-8:00 p.m., Asheville High School/SILSA, Cafeteria, 419 McDowell Street, Asheville, NC 28803
- **Beginning Teachers Celebration**, Thursday, May 10, 2018, at 4:00-5:00 p.m., Asheville City School District Office, Board Room, 85 Mountain Street, Asheville, NC 28801
- **Asheville City Schools Foundations' Community Conversation: Becoming an Equity Advocate**, Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 5:45 - 8:00 p.m., Asheville Middle School, 211 South French Broad Avenue, Asheville, NC 28801

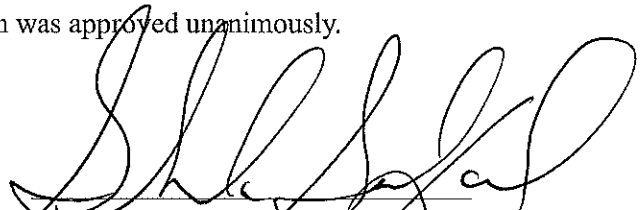
- **Work Session/Closed Session/Regular Board Meeting**, Monday, June 4, 2018 at 4:00 p.m., Administrative Offices, Board Room, 85 Mountain Street Asheville, NC 28801
- **AHS/ SILSA Graduation**, Saturday, June 9, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., UNC Asheville, One University Heights, Asheville, NC 28804
- **Work Session/Closed Session**, Thursday, June 28, 2018, at 4:00 p.m., Administrative Offices, Training Room, 85 Mountain Street Asheville, NC 28801

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 7:20 p.m. Joyce Brown made the motion and Martha Geitner seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.



Denise Patterson, Superintendent



Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair