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TRAINING ROOM
85 MOUNTAIN STREET
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA
MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2019
5:00 P.M.

Board of Education Members

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**The Vision of Asheville City Schools is to
Empower and Engage every child to
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2019-2020 Board of Education Meeting Schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Patterson shared a proposed 2019-2020 Board of Education Meeting Schedule. She explained that next year’s schedule will allow for more community stakeholders to attend, as the meetings will be held throughout the community and at differing time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Board would like to have their August 5th Meeting at the Board Office and their subsequent meetings at
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	schools and in the community.
Equity Collaboration Meeting Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dr. Patterson also shared an Equity Collaboration Meeting Update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ She explained that our goal is to continue to maintain a positive attitude while we address equity issues within our district. ○ Additionally, she said our students need even more access to the community; therefore, Asheville City Schools has been advocating for increased afternoon and summer opportunities for our students as well as living wages for their families.
District Equity Meeting Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Melissa Hedt, Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction, and Dr. Eric Howard, Director of Student Services, provided a District Equity Meeting Update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ They explained that a District Equity Team will be created that is more inclusive and representative of our district. It will include voices from each school as well as Asheville natives, parents, support staff, bus drivers, cafeteria staff members, custodians as well as teachers. The District Equity Team will meet once a month. Meetings will be from 4:30 - 6:00 PM with dinner provided. ○ They additionally explained that the District Leadership Equity Team will continue to meet throughout the summer.
Youth Development Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dr. Howard and Levette Campbell, an Asheville City Schools' Mental Health Teaching Assistant, also presented a Youth Development Program update. The YDP is designed to provide practical, workforce experiences for a pilot group of five to seven students within the City of Asheville and Buncombe County this summer. This will allow students to gain new skills while they receive \$13 an hour.

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<p>2019-2022 AIG Plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Shane Cassida, Executive Director of Student Support Services, presented the 2019-2022 AIG Plan. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ He explained that, as part of the proposal, students would be on a tiered service model. All students will receive type of enrichment, and the middle third of the services will be push-in. Additionally, moving forward, the AIG Program would like to increase its utilization of a co-plan/co-serve model. ○ The plan must be submitted to the state by June 30th.
<p>Preschool Data</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Carrie Allen, Director of Elementary Education, presented preschool data. She explained that, according to Brigance Screening Results, students are coming to us not completely ready for Kindergarten. Brigance Testing covers a variety of school based curriculum topics through a series of 12 assessments, including language development, science and math proficiencies and gross motor skills. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ According to collected data, Asheville City Schools is growing all Kindergarten students, but it's currently not enough to close the achievement gap. ○ Ms. Allen will continue to analyze data and screen all rising Kindergarteners. She will also implement additional phonemic awareness professional development for our elementary educators. ○ Dr. Dawn Meskill also shared interventions at the preschool level. She explained that teachers can utilize resources within the Brigance Testing to meet individual needs of each school. In addition to continued professional development, teachers collaborate with specialist, who are in each classroom regularly.
<p>Field Trips</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Asheville Middle School Principal April Dockery presented a Field Trip Request. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 8th grade AIG students, led by Jo Landreth and Marni Cartiff, would like to attend the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesboro, TN, on October 4, 2019. Any

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	<p>additional 8th Grader who would like to attend will also be given the opportunity.</p>
<p>Policy 6140 Student Wellness First Look</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Terrence McAllister, Assistant Superintendent, explained that Policy 6140 is a local wellness policy that meets the standards for child nutrition and physical education. The policy was created in collaboration with the School Health Advisory Council for Asheville City Schools. Today was the policy's first look.
<p>District Collaborative Council</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. McAllister also discussed the District Collaborative Council. He explained that the purpose/goal of the District Collaborative Council is to gain insight from Asheville City Schools staff members for continued reflection and proposed improvement.
<p>Contracts/MOUs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Administration, presented two contracts to the Board of Education. . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Susan Campbell (\$6,800.00 for 2 Day Training) - As a Certified Dare to Lead Facilitator, she focuses on developing these courage building skills. This will be a 16 hour highly experiential education, exploration and practice of the four skill sets associated with courage. ○ SIP Trunks - The contract discusses our three year agreement with SEGRA Spirit for SIP trunks. This will connect the new phone system to the telecom carriers allowing Asheville City Schools to send and receive phone calls outside the district. The cost is \$1,350 a month and includes dial tone for 100 concurrent calls, unlimited calls in the 828 area code and 20,000 minutes of long distance a month. If we find need for additional concurrent calls we will be able to amend the agreement

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