

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

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

Monday, May 6, 2019

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a regularly called session on May 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room 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

Patricia Griffin, Member

Joyce Brown, Member

James Carter, Member

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Denise Patterson, Superintendent; Dr. Terrence McAllister, Assistant Superintendent; Joyce Hatcher, Executive Director of Human Resources; Dr. Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Administration; Ashley-Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Melissa Hedt, Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Dr. Dana Ayers, Chief Academic Officer; Tanya Presha, Studnet Services Coordinator; Ian Nelson, Director of Secondary Instruction; Angie Cathcart Digital Lead Teacher AMS; Amy Sheeler, AVID Teacher; Ruletta Hughes, Principal Vance Elementary; Anndrea Burns, Digital Lead Teacher Vance Elementary; Rodney Workman, Band Director Asheville High School; Timofey Buzyan, Communication Specialist; Matt Whiteside, Director of Instructional Technology and Media; Chris Campbell, Attorney; Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Board Chair, Shaunda Sandford.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Vance Elementary School, Fifth Graders

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Martha Geitner made a motion to approve the agenda and Joyce Brown seconded the motion - the motion passed unanimously.

Introduction of the New Band Director of Asheville High School/ SILSA: Rodney Workman

CONSENT AGENDA

Special Called/Closed Session Minutes February 15, 2019

Work Session Minutes March 18, 2019

Work Session Minutes April 1, 2019

Closed Session Minutes April 1, 2019

Regular Meeting Minutes April 1, 2019

Work Session Minutes April 24, 2019

Closed Session Minutes April 24, 2019

Phone Contract

Field Trip - Asheville Middle School - 7th and 8th grade Jazz Bands, led by Ana Bulluck, would like to attend the Music Performance Adjudication for Jazz Band in Hickory, NC and Carowinds Amusement Park, in Charlotte, NC, May 10, 2019.

Field Trip - Asheville Middle School - Strings Classes, led by Ruben Orengo, would like to visit Carowinds Amusement Park in Charlotte, NC June 1, 2019.

Martha Geitner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and James Carter seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

ACTION AGENDA

1. Personnel Report

Joyce Brown made a motion to approve the Personnel Report and Martha Geitner seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Asheville City Schools Foundation Job Posting

3. Board Discussion ICS

The following action items Asheville City Schools Foundation Job Posting and Board Discussion ICS have been amended on the Work Session agenda to Informational Items.

4. A-B Technical Community College Board of Trustees Appointee from Buncombe County Schools. Buncombe County Schools has selected appointee Ray Bailey.

James Carter made a motion to approve the Buncombe County Schools appointee to the A-B Technical Community College Board of Trustees and Joyce Brown seconded, Martha Geitner, Patricia Griffin, and Shaunda Sandford opposed the appointee. The motion did not pass with a vote of 2 in favor and 3 against.

Information Agenda

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Report

Monday, May 6, 2019

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

Teacher Appreciation Week and National Child Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week

I would like to thank the teachers and all of our staff who are dedicated to our students. They spend endless hours making sure our students receive quality instruction and attend a safe school. Also, a special thanks to our child nutrition staff. Thank you for cooking healthy meals for our students and staff.

Asheville City Schools TOY and Isaac Dickson Elementary School Instructional Assistant of the Year

The Leadership Team, Human Resources Department, along with Ms. Sandford and Ms. Geitner, and I had an opportunity to visit Isaac Dickson Elementary School this morning. Congratulations to Marti Sullivan who has been named the Asheville City Schools Teacher of the Year. Also, congratulations to Ms. Keena Proctor who was honored as the Isaac Dickson Instructional Assistant of the Year. Ms. Sullivan will now go on to compete at the regional level for Teacher of the Year.

Equity Collaboration Meetings

The Asheville City School Board of Education, Asheville City Council, Buncombe Commissioners and other community groups and stakeholders have been in collaboration to address academic achievement, solidify a commitment, and perform actions around increasing our student achievement in Asheville City Schools. Through our discussions and collaboration, we have highlighted the need for more professional development which are learning opportunities for our staff to attend workshops on racial equity and meeting students' emotional, social, health, and behavior needs. Second, the school district has a need for after school programs in all six elementary schools. The goal would also be to provide transportation. The enrichment program would serve as an extension of the school day by continuing to emphasize learning in the area of math. The program could also be offered in the summer providing meals and transportation. Finally, we have discussed Emotional Instructional Support staff to assist students. Trained staff members would be an asset to our children. The staff members would be available daily to assist students by supporting them with their academics, social, emotional, and behavior needs.

Closing

As always, thank you to our Board of Education for your support. I look forward to working with you as we collaborate with our students, staff, community, and stakeholders to close the opportunity gap. Our goal is for all of our students to be successful in the classroom and leaders in our community. Cougar Pride!

Dr. Denise Q. Patterson, Superintendent

CURRICULUM and EQUITY HIGHLIGHTS

Ruletta Hughes, Principal of Vance Elementary School

Collaboration with Anndrea Burns, Digital Lead Teacher, share some highlights from Vance

- Equity -
 - During the PLC's they have looked at the Sub Groups to see where they have challenges. The staff have seen that students are not engaged and not motivated to do their work
 - Action steps to increase their learning are project-based learning. They want to increase student engagement and hands-on learning
- Staff PD on student engagement
- Encourage Teachers are asked once a month do memory-based learning
- Curriculum -
 - Teachers are to have a [Makerspace](#) science project once a month in the lab
 - Students presented information about their rain garden project

NOTABLE NEWS

Do the Write Thing Winner

NCAE Teacher Rally

Vance Elementary School's #TheACSWay Awards

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Diana Toleda - 7th Grade Math options/ Equity

Mary Alm - ICS

ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE MEETINGS

Calendar of Events

- **Teacher Appreciation Week and National Child Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week**
May 6-10, 2019
- **AVID 20th Anniversary Celebration**
May 7, 2019, at 6:00 pm in the AHS Cafeteria (dinner), followed by the awards in the AHS Auditorium
- **Homework Diner**
May 7, 2019, at 5:00-7:00 pm in the Asheville Middle School Cafeteria
- **National Nurses Day**
May 8, 2019
- **CHOSEN** will greet students at Hall Fletcher Elementary School on May 13, 2019, at 7:30 am
- **Homework Diner**
May 14, 2019, at 5:00-7:00 pm in the Asheville Middle School Cafeteria

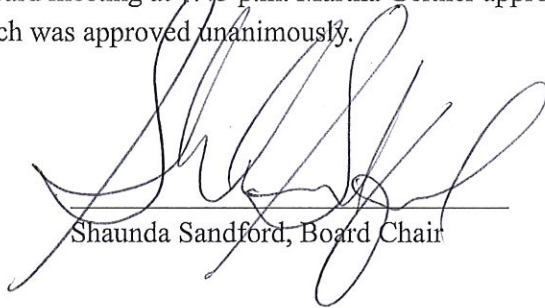
- **Work/Closed Session Meeting**
Monday, May 20, 2019 at 4:00 pm at Vance Elementary School
- **District Holiday - Memorial Day**
Monday, May 27, 2019
- **Work/Closed Session Meeting**
Monday, June 3, 2019 at 4:00 pm at Administrative Offices - Training Room
- **Regular Meeting**
Monday, June 3, 2019 at 6:30 pm at Administrative Offices - Board Room
- **Last Day of School**
June 7, 2019 Early Dismissal

ADJOURNMENT

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 7:45 p.m. Martha Geitner approved the motion and Joyce Brown seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.



Denise Patterson, Superintendent



Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair

