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ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING NOTES
ADMINISTRATIVE

BOARD

85 MOUNTAIN STREET
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA
MONDAY, MAY 6, 2019
6:30 P.M.

Board of Education Members

Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair
Martha Geitner, Vice Chair
Joyce Brown, Member
James Carter, Member
Patricia Griffin, Member

**The Vision of Asheville City Schools is to
Empower and Engage every child to
Learn, Discover, Thrive.**

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Superintendent's Report	<p>Dr. Patterson introduced Mr. Rodney Workman as the new Band Director of Asheville High School and SILSA.</p> <p>Teacher Appreciation Week and National Child Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week is May 6-10, 2019. Dr. Patterson thanked the</p>
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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, she recognized our child nutrition staff for cooking healthy meals for our students and staff.

Dr. Patterson also explained that the Leadership Team, Human Resources Department, Ms. Sandford and Ms. Geitner had an opportunity to visit Isaac Dickson Elementary School on Monday, May 6th to congratulate Marti Sullivan who has been named the Asheville City Schools Teacher of the Year.

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.

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Vance Elementary School: Equity and Curriculum Feature	Principal Ruletta Hughes presented a Vance Elementary School update in collaboration with her students and staff. Principal Hughes explained that staff members are examining subgroup data - specifically what they're seeing and how they can boost student engagement - in their Professional Learning Communities. Vance Elementary School's action steps include: increased hands-on activities, inquiry based learning monthly and the school's MakerSpace Science Lab.
Notable News	<p>The Notable News Report recognized Asheville City Schools' Do the Write Thing Winner, Reginald Redfern, and the NCAE Teacher Rally in Raleigh.</p> <p>Vance Elementary School's Lauri Kemmerling and Robin Mehler were this month's #TheACSWay Award recipients.</p>
Public Comment	Items discussed during public comment included: Middle School Math and Asheville City Schools' collaboration with ICS.

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