

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

4:00 p.m. - Work Session - Administrative Offices - Training 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 4:00 p.m. at the Administrative Offices in the Training Room 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

Patricia Griffin, Member

James Carter, Member

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Denise Patterson, Superintendent; Dr. Terrence McAllister, Assistant Superintendent of Learning; Dr. Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Administration; Joyce Hatcher, Executive Director of Human Resources; Shane Cassida, Executive Director of Student Services; Dr. Eric Howard, Director of Student Services; Ashley Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Melissa Hedt, Executive Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Matt Whiteside, Director of Instructional Technology and Media; Dr. Dana Ayers, Chief Academic Officer; Christy House, Co-Interim Finance Director; Sarah Banks, Interim Finance Director; April Dockery, Principal AMS; Dr. Dawn Meskil, Director Preschool; Chris Campbell, Attorney; Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER - Board Chair, Shaunda Sandford called the session to order at 4:07 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to amend the agenda to include the 2018-2019 Calendar and the Optional Teacher Workday added on June 18th. Martha Geitner approved the motion and Patricia Griffin seconded the motion. The motion which passed unanimously.

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to make the following Action Items Asheville City Schools Foundation Job Posting and Board Discussion ICS to Information Items. Joyce Brown approved and James Carter seconded the motion - the motion passed unanimously.

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adopt the agenda. Martha Geitner approved and Joyce Brown seconded the motion - the motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION AGENDA

- Equity Collaboration Update: Dr. Patterson shared the collaboration between Asheville City Schools Board of Education, Asheville City Council, Buncombe Commissioners, and other community groups and stakeholders are doing to address the academic achievement gap. The group has been working to solidify a commitment and perform actions around increasing student achievement in Asheville City Schools. They have highlighted a few areas in which they would like to start.
 - Professional Development for ACS staff to attend workshops on racial equity and meeting students' emotional, social, health and behavior needs
 - After school programs in all six elementary schools with transportation provided
 - Emotional Instructional Support staff to assist students
- Asheville City Schools Foundation Job Posting: Dr. Patterson asked the board if they would consider posting the Executive Director Job for Asheville City Schools Foundations' Executive Director Job on the ACS website. It was suggested that the job posting could be shared with all of the ACS staff through the Communication Department Weekly Roundup email.
- Optional Teacher Workday June 18th: Dr. McAllister shared with the Board of Education that June 18th does not have to be added to the calendar for an Optional Teacher Workday. The current school calendar will remain as is with the last Optional Teacher workday on June 17th.
- [2019-2020 Board of Education Meeting Schedule](#): Dr. Patterson presented to the Board Members a draft of the 2019-2020 Board of Education Meeting Schedule. The Board Members were asked for their thoughts and feedback on the draft schedule.
- Board Discussion ICS: Dr. Patterson would like to have a meeting with the Board of Education to discuss ICS and to share recent discussions with the ICS Consultants. There was a meeting with the ICS consultants who also met with the Leadership Team, District Team and Principals. They provided some information that we requested around how and what was their program was like based on data from other states and other schools they serve. ICS visited schools in the district and gave some feedback. We are working to discuss the information shared about the visits to make sure we have a timeline that actively represents our collaboration with ICS and Framework with Equity. Dr. Patterson would like to discuss details about equity implementation with the principals. There has been a discussion with principals about what they would like to implement. Dr. Patterson will be speaking with the ICS consultants to share with them what ACS would like

to do with ICS and how we would continue to collaborate. This will be the third year working with them and the final year of the contract.

- [Phone Contract Memo](#): Matt Whiteside, Director of Instructional Technology and Media, reviewed the phone contact information for a second review and for approval. The IT Department is recommending replacing the phone system serving all of the ACS buildings. Additional, information that was shared is the [quotation](#) and [resolution](#).
- A-B Technical Community College Board of Trustees Appointee: Attorney Campbell, Buncombe County Schools approved a new A-B Tech Board of Trustee Appointee Ray Bailey on May 2, 2019. BCS is asking for Asheville City Schools to concur their nominee to finish out the term of Bill Murdock.
- [Field Trips](#): The Board was presented with the field trips listed below for approval.
 - **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.
 - **Asheville Middle School** - Strings Classes, led by Ruben Orengo, would like to visit Carowinds Amusement Park in Charlotte, NC June 1, 2019.
- [Contracts/MOU's](#): Dr. Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Administration, shared additional information about the contracts below. There were no additional questions from the Board of Education Members.
 - Dr. Tiece Monique Ruffin
 - Community Action Opportunities
- [Math 1 Update](#): Dr. Ayers, Chief Academic Officer, shared some changes and information from staff and families that are being considered. The presentation included the following.
 - ACS Math Content and Progression Overview
 - Opportunities for 7th grade Math 1
 - Middle /High School Teacher Meeting
 - Teacher Survey Results Feedback
 - ACS Historical Data
 - ACS Data Notes

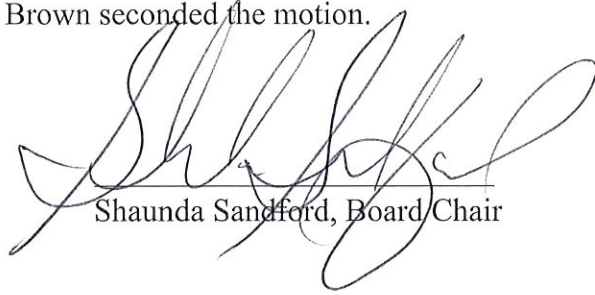
The Chair will entertain a motion for the Board of Education to enter into closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 for the following purposes:

- Under subsection (a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged and confidential personnel information pursuant to G.S. 115C-319-321;
- Under subsection (a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged and confidential student information pursuant to 20 U.S. C. 1232g (FERPA);
- Under subsection (a) (3) to discuss matters protected by the attorney-client privilege.

ADJOURNMENT

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m. and go into closed session. James Carter approved the motion and Joyce Brown seconded the motion.


Denise Patterson, Superintendent


Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair