

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
12:00 p.m. - Work Session - Asheville City School Central Office  
**Monday, August 13, 2018**

**BE IT REMEMBERED:** That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a regularly called session on August 13, at 12:00 p.m. in the Asheville City School Central Office - 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

Patricia Griffin, Member

Joyce Brown, Member

James Lee, Member

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Denise Patterson, Superintendent; Dr. Terrence McAllister, Assistant Superintendent; Tim Holcombe, Capital Projects Coordinator; Joyce Hatcher, Executive Director of Human Resources; Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Administration; Charlotte Sullivan, Executive Director of Finance; Shane Cassida, Curriculum and Student Resources Executive Director; Ashley Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Melissa Hedt, Executive Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Chris Campbell, Attorney; Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant.

**CALL TO ORDER** - Board Chair, Shaunda Sandford called the session to order at 12:08 PM.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to amend the agenda and Martha Geitner approved and Patricia Griffin seconded the motion - the motion passed unanimously.

**INFORMATION AGENDA**

- Construction Update: T J Hollars, Vannoy Construction; Tim Holcombe, Capital Projects Coordinator; Dr. Terrance McAllister, Assistant Superintendent, Information was shared with the Board about what projects that are complete, the current phase and steps for the next phases. The following schools were discussed: Asheville High, Montford North Star

Academy and Ira B. Jones. Dr. McAllister and Tim Holcombe shared information about the Claxton Elementary School exterior repairs. The reason for the renovations is to ensure the safety of students and staff and to maintain the historical structure and value of the building. The school was built in 1923 and was last renovated in 2007. The budgeted amount for this project is \$312,000 and the cost is \$248,000 which gives us room for any additional expenses that may come up.

- Update on Excellence with Equity: Dr. Eric Howard, Director of Students Services; Melissa Hedt, Executive Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Melissa Hedt shared with the Board the expectations of Excellence with Equity and what we are doing as a district. The Excellence with Equity Team is working to compartmentalize ICS as a plan to be more inclusive. They are also working with Principals and Teachers to let them know about events that are going on and training with Dr. Lewis. They don't want to change what the schools are working on currently. We will continue to work with ICS Partnership. Equity Audits will be rolled out to schools. Looking for a more proportional representation of students. We are starting to look at areas like Fine Arts, AIG, Speech and Debate. The ICS is more about the framework and Dr. Lewis is helping with the strategies.
- Policy 3535 Visiting Speakers/Student Assemblies: Melissa Hedt, Executive Director of Curriculum & Instruction, this policy was up for second and final reading. One of the additions was to add that request go through the Curriculum and Instruction Department.
- Policy 4370 Student Discipline Hearing Procedure: Dr. Terrance McAllister, Assistant Superintendent of Learning Services; Shane Cassida, Executive Director of Student Services; shared with the Board new additions to the policy in Section A #2 and in the Cross References Section.
- Policy 4700 Student Records: Dr. Terrance McAllister, Assistant Superintendent of Learning Services; Shane Cassida, Executive Director of Student Services; it was shared with the Board the suggestions from the Federal Government and supported by our Attorney on subsection M on page 9, Photos and Videos. There was also Legal References shared.
- Suicide Policy: Dr. Eric Howard, Director of Student Services; presented to board a request from a SILSA High School student to have procedures in place for students who may be considering suicide. We want to make sure that we are including procedures that we already have and to put into place procedures across the district so that everyone knows exactly what to do for our students.
- LGBTQ Supportive School Policy: Dr. Eric Howard, Director of Student Services;
- Revision/ Addition for Field Trip Policy: Attorney Chris Campbell, the following insert new bullet point under (b) or after section (b) will be added to Field Trip Policy.
- Revisions to Board Policy 2310: Attorney Chris Campbell, the following revisions was presented to the Board Members. Public Comment will be made at Regular Board Meetings.

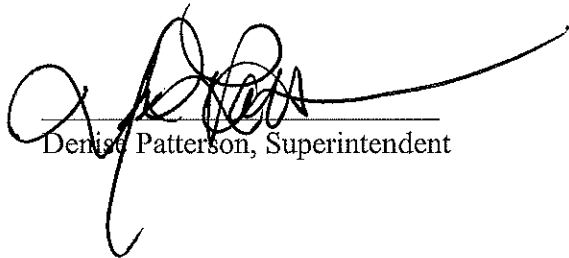
- Asheville City Schools receives Coding and Mobile App Grant: Ashley-Michelle Thublin, Executive Director Community Relations Communications; Asheville City was awarded a portion of a grant for \$80,000 for Coding and Mobile App. The grant was awarded from NC Department of Mobile Instruction.

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:

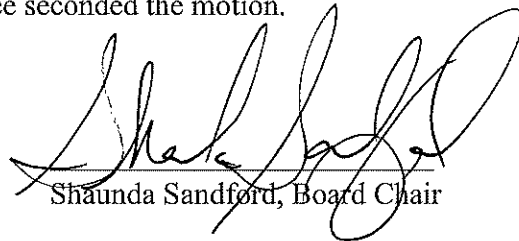
- Under subsection (a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged and confidential personnel information pursuant to G.S. 115C-319-321;
- Under subsection (a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged and confidential student information pursuant to 20 U.S. C. 1232g (FERPA);
- Under subsection (a) (3)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

#### ADJOURNMENT

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m. and go into closed session. Joyce Brown approved the motion and James Lee seconded the motion.



Denise Patterson, Superintendent



Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair

