

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
3:15 p.m. - Regular - Administrative Offices - Board Room
Monday, April 2, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a regularly called session on April 2, 2020 at 3:15 p.m. at the Administrative Offices - Board Room located at 85 Mountain Street, Asheville, North Carolina where and when the following business was transacted.

The following Board of Education members were present:

Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair

Martha Geitner, Vice Chair

Patricia Griffin, Member

Joyce Brown, Member

James Carter, Member

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Bobbie Short, Interim Superintendent; Dr. Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources; Shane Cassida, Assistant Superintendent of Auxiliary Services; Ashley-Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Charlie Glazener, Communication Consultant; Dr. Dana Ayers, Chief Academic Officer; Katie Treece, Director of Child Nutrition; Matt Whiteside, Director of Instructional Technology and Media; Kidada Wynn, Director of Student Services; Sarah Cain, Director of Elementary Education; Laura Parks, Director of Secondary Education; Chris Campbell, Attorney (Via Video Conferencing); Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by Board Chair, Shaunda Sandford.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Shaunda Sandford made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Martha Geitner approved the motion. James Carter second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Work Session Minutes March 2, 2020
- Closed Session Minutes March 2, 2020
- Regular Meeting Minutes March 2, 2020
- Work Session Minutes March 16, 2020
- Closed Session Minutes March 16, 2020
- [Financing Agreement with The Math Learning Center](#)
- Selection of new Audit Firm for ACS
- Student Releases to Buncombe County 2020-2021
- [Land of Sky-Foster Grandparents](#)
- [Teen Court](#)
- Policy Series 4000 - [4201](#) [4205](#) [4210](#) [4220](#) [4230](#) [4250](#) [4260](#) [4270](#) [4300](#) [4301](#)
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Joyce Brown made a motion to omit policies *4316 and 4316-P* and approve the Consent Agenda. Martha Geitner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION AGENDA

1. Approve Personnel Report No. 11
2. Revised NCSBA Emergency Powers Resolution re. COVID-19

Patricia Griffin made a motion to approve the Personnel Report No.11. James Carter seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Martha Geitner made a motion to approve the Revised NCSBA Emergency Powers Resolution re. COVID-19. James Carter second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Announcement of Superintendent Dr. Gene Freeman Arrival: Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair, informed everyone about the arrival of Dr. Freeman. He will begin work on April 20th and Co-lead the district with Dr. Short until June 1st.

INFORMATION AGENDA

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/COVID-19 UPDATE

- The district has provided 1,300 meals a day. There are 90% Child and Nutrition Staff working along with Bus Driver's helping. The Child and Nutrition Team (14 to 15 employees) that will be working the week of spring break will be paid time and a half. Buncombe County Commissioners will assist with the half times pay. The staff working for the week of Spring Break will provide meals Mon-Thurs with an additional breakfast and lunch meal given out on Thursday to cover Friday's feeding. The Team will also serve meals on Easter Monday which is a school holiday. We have 8 sites for families to pick up meals. The sites include:
 - Hall Fletcher
 - Isaac Dickson
 - Pisgahview Apartments
 - Klondyke Apartments
 - Wesley Grant Center
 - Arthur R. Edington Center
 - Walton Street
 - Hillcrest Apartments
- We have sent home the second round of home learning and the 6th -12th-grade Canvas lessons. The NC State Board and the NC Department of Instruction have announced that there will be no End of Grade testing for Reading, Math, and Science for grades 3rd-12th. There will be no End of Course Testing for high school students.
- We will be planning a Graduation for AHS and SILSA students on the AHS Athletic Field and a senior picnic. The dates for both events are to be determined.
- Senior Requirements: Laura Parks shared that the NC State Board changed the requirements for Seniors. If a senior has a pass credit for a class as of March 13th they will get P for that class. If a senior is not passing a class as of March 13th they will work with teachers until May 15th. If the student is not in a passing status they will not pass the class. It is only required to have 22 credit hours to graduate. We are waiting to hear about the year-long classes.

- Connectivity: Matt Whiteside, shared that grades 3rd-12th have at-home learning devices. There are 40 hot spots in homes. We had a list of 49 students who were in need of connectivity. The City of Asheville has provided 10 and Dogwood Health Trust has provided 20 to help serve some of the students on the growing list. Currently, we have 19 students who are in need of connectivity.
- [Students Services Department](#): Kidada Wynn, shared an overview of the many ways the Student Services Department is helping students and their families during COVID-19. Also, how they are working with community partners to assist with any additional needs.

[Proposed district policies and actions to address field trip cancellations and family refunds](#): Charlie Glazener, shared the following information

1. The nine Young Transportation and Tours Managed Trips
2. Young Transportation Charter Trips/Contracts
3. The Camp Greenville (YMCA) Trips
4. AHS and SILSA Miscellaneous Trips
5. The challenging Trips

[Jones Park](#) - Charlie Glazener shared that he has been looking into the demolishing of Jones Park due to safety concerns and the cost to get the park up to code.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

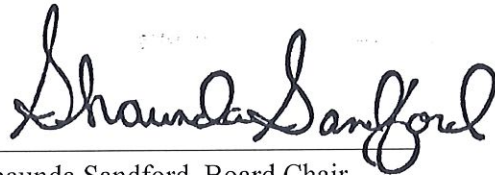
No public comments

ADJOURNMENT

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 5:47 p.m. Patricia Griffin approved the motion. James Carter seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.



Dr. Bobbie Short,
Interim Superintendent



Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair