

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
2:00 p.m. - Work Session -Administrative Offices - Board Room
Thursday, April 2, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a regularly called session on April 2, at 2:00 p.m. at the Administrative Offices in the Board 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. Bobbie Short, Interim Superintendent; Dr. Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources; Ashley-Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Charlie Glazener, Communication Consultant; Shane Cassida, Assistant Superintendent of Auxiliary Services; Dr. Dana Ayers, Chief Academic Officer; Sarah Cain, Director of Elementary Education; Laura Parks, Director of Secondary Education; Georgia Harvey, Chief Finance Officer; Sarah Banks, Assistant Finance Director; Christy House, Financial Services Manager; Chris Campbell, Attorney (Via Video Conferencing); Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant

Dr. Gene Freeman, Superintendent - Special Guest

CALL TO ORDER - Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair called the session to order at 2:05 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Martha Geitner approved the motion. James Carter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION AGENDA

- [Revised NCSBA Emergency Powers Resolution re. COVID-19](#): Attorney Campbell, shared the Revised NCSBA Emergency Powers Resolution with the Board of Education. The resolution is optional.
- [Financing Agreement with The Math Learning Center](#): Dr. Ayers, Chief Academic Officer; Sarah Cain, Director of Elementary Education; Laura Parks, Director of Secondary Education, presented the Financing Agreement with The Math Learning Center.
- Selection of Audit Firm: Georgia Harvey, Chief Finance Officer presented to the Board of Education Audit Firm Anderson, Smith, & Wike whose client list includes 90% of Public school

accounting. This gave an opportunity for ACS to explore what other audit firms had to offer. Choosing to work with the new audit firm will save ACS \$13,000. Ms. Harvey, presented Audit Firm Anderson, Smith, & Wike to serve as the new auditor for ACS.

- Student Releases to Buncombe County Schools 2020-2021: Shane Cassida, Assistant Superintendent of Auxiliary Services presented for approval a list of students who live within the Asheville City Schools District that have requested a release from Asheville City Schools to attend school in the Buncombe County Schools District.
- [Land of Sky Foster Grandparents](#): Shane Cassida, Assistant Superintendent of Auxiliary Services presented for approval. The MOU is to include all ACS schools. ACS and Foster Grandparent Program are committed to working with children with special needs.
- [Teen Court](#): Shane Cassida, Assistant Superintendent of Auxiliary Services presented for approval the MOU for School-Based Teen Court between Asheville City Schools and Buncombe Alternatives, Inc. The MOU sets the terms and understanding between ACS and Buncombe Alternatives, Inc. to implement the Teen Court program as a restorative alternative to OSS.
- Policies 4000 - Second/Final Read: Shane Cassida, Assistant Superintendent of Auxiliary Services and Attorney Campbell presented Policies 4000 - for a Second/Final Read [4201](#) [4205](#) [4210](#) [4220](#) [4230](#) [4250](#) [4260](#) [4270](#) [4300](#) [4301](#) [4302](#) [4303](#) [4305](#) [4307](#) [4310](#) [4312](#) [4315](#) [4316](#) [4316-P](#) [4318](#) [4320](#)
- Policy Series 4000 - First Read: Shane Cassida, Assistant Superintendent of Auxiliary Services and Attorney Campbell presented Policy Series 4000 - First Read [4325](#) [4330](#) [4331](#) [4333](#) [4335](#) [4340](#) [4341](#) [4342](#) [4345](#) [4351](#) [4352](#) [4353](#) [4362](#) [4370](#) [4700](#) [4700-P](#) [4705](#) [4720](#)

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:

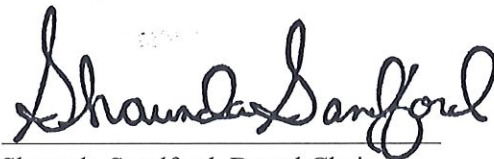
- Under subsection (a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged and confidential personnel information pursuant to G.S. 115C-319-321;
- Under subsection (a) (3) to discuss matters protected by the attorney-client privilege.

ADJOURNMENT

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:53 p.m. and go into closed session. Joyce Brown approved the motion. Martha Geitner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



Dr. Bobbie Short,
Interim Superintendent



Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair