

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

6:30 p.m. - Regular - Administrative Offices - Board Room

Monday, December 2, 2019

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a regularly called session on December 2, 2019 at 6:30 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 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. Terrence McAllister, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Administration; Ashley-Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Charlie Glazener, Communication Consultant; Tim Amos, Interim Finance Officer; Dr. Dana Ayers, Chief Academic Officer; April Dockery, Asheville Middle School Principal; Lauren Evans, Principal Asheville Primary School; Marti Sullivan, AIG Teacher, Isaac Dickson; Ruafika Cobb, Principal Ira B. Jones; Derek Edwards, Principal Claxton Elementary; Brad Johnson, Principal Isaac Dickson Elementary; Sarah Cain, Director of Elementary Education; Shannon Baggett, Principal Montford North Star Academy; Miranda Wheeler, Innovation Coordinator Montford North Star Academy; Nicole Cush, Principal SILSA, Ruletta Hughes, Principal Vance Elementary; JaQuan Wiley, Asheville High School Band Teacher; Dean Shatley, Attorney; Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Board Chair, Shaunda Sandford.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Ira B. Jones Elementary School Students

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Shaunda Sandford made a motion to amend the agenda. James Carter approved the motion to amend the agenda to add the Resolution: Remit Civil Penalties of Unconstitutionally Withheld from North Carolina's Public Schools to the consent agenda and waive the second reading on policies 4115, 4135, 4135-P, 4150, 4150-P on the first read and add them to the consent agenda. Joyce Brown second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Closed Session Minutes August 20 , 2019
- Work Session Minutes October 7 , 2019
- Regular Meeting Minutes October 7, 2019
- Work Session Minutes November 4, 2019

- Regular Meeting Minutes November 4, 2019
- Closed Session Minutes November 5, 2019
- Student Releases to Buncombe County 2019-2020
- **Asheville High School** - Asheville High students, led by Dacia Harris, request to visit Costa Rica, South America April 4-10, 2020.
- Resolution: Remit Civil Penalties Unconstitutionally Withheld from North Carolina's Public Schools
- [Policy 4115 Behavior Standards for Out-of-District & Transfer Students](#)
- [Policy 4135 Tuition for Out of District Students](#)
- [Adm. Proc. 4135-P Tuition for Discretionary Admission](#)
- [Policy 4150 School Assignment](#)
- [Policy Adm. Procedure 4150-P School Assignment](#)

Martha Geitner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Patricia Griffin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION AGENDA

James Carter made a motion to approve Personnel Report No. 6. Joyce Brown seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Martha Geitner made a motion to waive the second reading and approved [Policy 7241 Drug and Alcohol Testing of Commercial Vehicle Operators](#) Patricia Griffin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION AGENDA

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Short presented Graduation and Growth Awards from NC Superintendent, Mark Johnson and the Department of Public Instruction. The recipients of the awards are:

Claxton Elementary Academic Growth 2018-2019

Isaac Dickson Elementary Academic Growth 2018-2019

Ira B. Jones Elementary Academic Growth 2018-2019

SILSA Academic Growth 2018-2019

SILSA Outstanding Graduation Rate 97.8%

Vance Elementary Academic Growth 2018-2019

Montford North Star Academy is the only school in the district to exceed growth. Exceeding Growth reflects meeting students where they are and working with them to move forward with academic achievement. The growth index is 2.0 and above. MNSA is 5.63. Their growth index is in the top 6% in the state.

Dr. Short invited Asheville High/SILSA Band students to attend the meeting to play a few holiday song selections.

CURRICULUM and EQUITY HIGHLIGHTS April Dockery, Principal at Asheville Middle School; shared equity highlights from Asheville Middle School

- Equity and Curriculum -
Principal April Dockery and students Anaya Harper, Student Body President; Kyleah Searle, Student Body Vice President; Wade Edwards, Student Body Secretary, shared information about Asheville Middle School Student Government Association (SGA). The Student Government Association shared the following about the association and the election process:
 - Why is SGA Needed?
 - SGA Positions at AMS
 - The Process for Creating SGA

GOOD NEWS

Cougar Tank

School Nutrition Receives Superior Site Award

HomeTrust Bank Check Presentation to the Principal of the Year

HomeTrust Bank Check to the Teacher of the Year

#The ACSWayAwards

PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Brigham - Asheville City Schools

Keva Bates - Asheville High School Sports

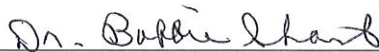
Kate Fisher - Athletics at Asheville City Schools

Mary Alm - Policy Work

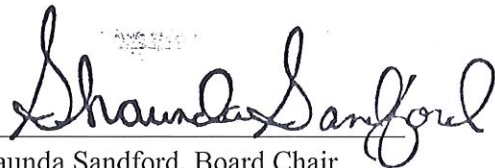
Dr. Short acknowledged and thanked Dr. McAllister, Tim Amos, and Joyce Hatcher for their time and dedication to ACS. They will be leaving Asheville City Schools at the end of 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

Shaunda Sanford made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 8:00 p.m. Patricia Griffin approved the motion. Joyce Brown seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.



Dr. Bobbie Short,
Interim Superintendent



Shaunda Sanford, Board Chair