

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

12:00 p.m. - Work Session - Montford North Star Academy - Media Center

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a regularly called session on August 20th, at 12:00 p.m. at Montford North Star Academy - Media Center located at 90 Montford Avenue, 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

CALL TO ORDER - Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair called the session to order at 12:02 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to approve the agenda. Martha Geitner approved the motion. Patricia Griffin seconded the motion. The motion which passed unanimously.

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Bobbie Short, Interim Superintendent; Dr. Terrence McAllister, Assistant Superintendent of Learning; Dr. Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Administration; Joyce Hatcher, Executive Director of Human Resources; Dr. Dana Ayers, Chief Academic Officer; Ashley Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Melissa Hedt, Executive Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Ian Nelson, Director of Testing and Accountability; Tim Amos, Interim Finance Officer; Charlie Glazener, Communication Consultant; Sue Tripp, Transportation Coordinator; Amanda Rigsby, TIMS Clerk; Darren Barkett, Transportation/Safety Specialist; Chris Campbell, Attorney; Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant.

INFORMATION AGENDA

- [Open Meeting Law - Notices](#): Attorney Campbell proposed the Open Meeting Law - Notice for the Board of Education to consider. This notice is to cover and explain that there will be a notice sent out when three or more Board Members will be gathered for an event to receive information about Asheville City Schools.

- Superintendent Applications: Attorney Campbell updated the Board of Education that it is very rare to receive applications more than a month out of the due date. At this time we have two official applications. The Board of Education will look at all applications that are submitted and will choose the next Superintendent. Before the finalist are interviewed there will be a full criminal, credit, newspaper, media, social media check to include reference checks.
- [Buncombe County-Childhood Education with ACS Preschool Program](#): Susanna Smith, Director of the Asheville Primary Preschool presented the contract with Buncombe County-Childhood Education with Asheville City Schools Preschool Program. The Preschool applied for two classrooms and received \$193,000 for one classroom at Hall Fletcher Elementary School. There will be 16 new children the program and the goal is to have 18 children. The slots will be disbursed throughout the program.
- [Transportation Update](#): Dr. Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Administration: shared that the Department will be moving Transportation into a space that will be the hub for Transportation and Safety Departments located behind the Board Room. Every year there is an orientation with Buncombe County Schools and Asheville City Schools Drivers. This year the Transportation Department held its own orientation. The session went over expectations reminders and new additions. The additions include:
 - Synovia System GPS Tracking - all 29 buses will have the equipment that will give the department knowledge of what is going on at all times
 - Safety Vision Camera System - 8 cameras will be placed on all buses inside and on the outside
- [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.
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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 12:33 p.m. and go into closed session. Martha Geitner approved the motion. Joyce Brown seconded the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:59 p.m. Joyce Brown approved the motion. Patricia Griffin seconded the motion.



Dr. Bobbie Short,
Interim Superintendent



Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair