



ASHEVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

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ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES - BOARD ROOM
85 MOUNTAIN STREET
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA
MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2021
8:00 AM

Board of Education Members

Mrs. Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair

Mrs. Martha Geitner, Vice Chair

Mr. James C. Carter, Member

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Ms. Jackie McHargue, Member

The Vision of Asheville City Schools is to
Empower and Engage every child to
Learn, Discover, Thrive.

Superintendent: Dr. Gene Freeman

**ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

**Monday, April 26, 2021
8:00 AM - Call to Order**

The Asheville City Board of Education ("Board") will hold a special called meeting at 8:00AM.
on Monday, April 26, 2021

This meeting will be available for viewing on Asheville City Schools [YouTube Page](#).

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the items on the agenda below. **Action will be taken.**

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AGENDA for
BOARD RETREAT / WORK SESSION/ REGULAR MEETING
8:00AM 1:00PM 4:05PM

Time	Subject	Presenter	Board Action (A) or Consent (C)
RETREAT			
8:00 - 8:15 AM	Greetings & Sharing of Goals	Dr. Gene Freeman	
8:15 - 9:15 AM	<p><u>Goal 1 In Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Improve academic outcomes for all students with an intentional focus on Black students and other disenfranchised groups of students as indicated by data. <p><u>Goal 2 In Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Benchmarking to monitor students’ growth and ensuring academic success for all students. 	Dr. Gene Freeman Melissa Hedt Laura Parks Sarah Cain	
9:15 - 9:30 AM	Answering Your Questions From Goal 1 & 2		
9:30 - 9:45 AM	Break		
9:45 - 10:45 AM	<p><u>Goal 3 In Action:</u></p> <p>Asheville City Schools will support the whole child by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reducing the disproportionality in identification of Black and White students for Exceptional Children services. ● Reducing the disproportionality between Black and White students in discipline and academic data. ● Increasing the opportunities for Social and Emotional Learning. 	Dr. Paula Dowd Amy Powchak Kidada Wynn April Dockery	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growing the number of students in the Pre-K Program that are historically disenfranchised. 	Sarah Cain Dr. Shane Cassida	
10:45 - 11:00 AM	Answering Your Questions From Goal 3		
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	<p><u>Goal 4 In Action:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present to the Board of Education finances and work to align finances with district goals. • Work with the Board of Education to find cost reduction for the long-term and sustainability. 	Georgia Harvey Dr. Mark Dickerson	
12:00 - 12:30 PM	Lunch		
12:30 - 1:00 PM	<p>Answering Your Questions From Goal 4</p> <p><u>Continuation of Goal 4 In Action- Personnel will continue in closed session</u></p>		
WORK SESSION			
1:00 PM	Call to Order	Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair	
	Quorum Determination	Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair	
	Adopt An Agenda	Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair	
1:05 - 2:35 PM	<p>Closed Session Personnel</p> <p>Attorney-Client Matters FUSUS</p>	<p>Georgia Harvey Dr. Mark Dickerson</p> <p>Attorney Cynthia Lopez FUSUS Representative</p>	

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2:35-2:45	Break		
2:45 - 2:55 PM	Athletic Directors - Asheville Middle and Asheville High/ SILSA	Dr. Shane Cassida Adrian Clark Sonita Warren-Dixon Jesse Swain	I
2:55 - 3:10 PM	Approval for CTE Production Work (revenue-generating) Program: Groundhogs and Cougar Sports Network Presentation	Sara Monson Justin Polizzi Dr. Sherry Hicks Derek Edwards	C
3:10 - 3:15 PM	Chromebook Purchase Recommendation	Matt Whiteside	C
3:15 - 4:00 PM	Resolution Regarding House Bill 358 & Senate Bills 514 & 515	Attorney Cynthia Lopez	C
	Amended 2020-2021 Traditional Calendar	Laura Parks	C
	Summer Schedule for ACS Staff	Dr. Gene Freeman	I
	Student Releases to Buncombe County 2020-2021	Melissa Hedt	C
	A-B Tech Board of Trustees Draft Notice and Application for Vacant Seats	Attorney Cynthia Lopez	A
	Board Members Training Overview	Attorney Cynthia Lopez	I
	Policy 3620 -Second Read	Dr. Shane Cassida	C
	Information Only: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Read 9000 Series: 9000, 9010, 9020, 6401/9100, 9110, 9115 (New), 9120, 6441/9121, 9121-P, 9125 9130, 9200, 9205, 9210, 9220, 9300, 9400 	Dr. Shane Cassida	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracts/MOU 		
REGULAR SESSION			
4:05 PM	Call to Order	Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair	
	Approval of Agenda	Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair	
	Board Officers Vote	Attorney Cynthia Lopez	
	HomeTrust Bank Presentation - Principal and Teacher of the Year	Dr. Kimberly Dechant	
	Consent Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work Session Minutes March 1, 2021 • Closed Session Minutes March 1, 2021 • Regular Meeting Minutes March 1, 2021 • Special Called Work Session Minutes March 22, 2021 • Special Called Closed Session Minutes March 22, 2021 • CTE Production Work (revenue-generating) Program: Groundhogs • CTE Production Work (revenue-generating) Program: Cougar Sports Network • Summer Schedule for ACS Staff • Student Releases to Buncombe County 2020-2021 • Policy 3620-Second Read • Resolution for House Bill 358 and Senate Bills 514 & 515 • Chromebook Purchase Recommendation 		
	Action Items <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Personnel Report No. 9 2. A-B Tech Board of Trustees Draft Notice and Application for Vacant Seats 		

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	Information Agenda Superintendent's Report	Dr. Gene Freeman	
	<u>Public Comment</u>		
	Announcements/Future Meetings Calendar of Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Asheville City Board of Education Work Session & Regular Meeting - May 10, 2021 @ 5:00 PM & 6:30 PM ● Asheville City Board of Education Work Session - May 24, 2021 @ 4:00 PM ● Asheville High School/SILSA Graduation - May 28, 2021 @ 7:00 PM 		
4:35 PM	Adjournment		

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