

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
6:30 p.m. - Regular - Administrative Offices - Board Room
Monday, June 7, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED: That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a regularly called session on June 7, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. at the Administrative Office - Board Room at 85 Mountain Street, Asheville, North Carolina, where and when the following business was transacted.

The following Board members were present:

James C. Carter, Board Chair
Jackie McHargue, Vice Chair
Martha Geitner, Member
Peyton O'Conner, Member
Shaunda Sandford, Member

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Gene Freeman, Superintendent; Dr. Mark Dickerson, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources; Shane Cassida, Assistant Superintendent of Auxiliary Services; Ashley-Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications; Dillon Huffman, Communication Specialist; Georgia Harvey, Chief Finance Officer; Melissa Hedt, Deputy Superintendent Instruction, and Accountability; Sarah Cain, Director of Elementary Education; Laura Parks, Director of Secondary Education; Matt Whiteside, Director of Instructional Technology and Media; Cynthia Lopez, Attorney; Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:28 p.m. by the Board Chair, James C. Carter.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

James C. Carter made a motion to amend the agenda to move Public Comment before the Consent and Action Items on the Agenda. Peyton O'Conner approved the motion. Jackie McHargue seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following names were called to make a public comment:

Honor Moore
Susan
Cassandra Wells

CONSENT ITEMS

- Closed Session Minutes May 10, 2021
- Special Called Closed Session Minutes May 24, 2021
- Special Called Closed Session Minutes May 24, 2021 - Employee Appeal
- Budget Amendments
- Calendar Change - Memorial Day Holiday

- Student Releases to Buncombe County 2021-2022
- [Asheville City Driver's ED Contract 2021-2022](#)
- CTE Local Plan

Martha Geitner made a motion to approve the Consent Items. Shaunda Sandford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Personnel Report No. 12
Jackie McHargue made a motion to approve Personnel Report No. 12 as amended in the closed session. Peyton O'Conner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Contract
Recommendation from finance for the Bid comparison for Surry Insurance 2021-2022. Peyton O'Conner approved the motion. Jackie McHargue seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION AGENDA

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Freeman shared his experience at the AHS and SILSA graduation. The graduation went flawlessly. The love between the students and staff, and the happiness amongst the students and staff were wonderful. It was a great day!

Summer school started on June 7th. We have three locations in the district: Isaac Dickson, Asheville Middle, and the Asheville High/SILSA campus. We have the largest group of students to attend in recent history - 500 students.

There have been curriculum listening sessions in the district at each school. Dr. Freeman has attended MNSA, Lucy S. Herring, and Asheville High School and received a lot of feedback from teachers. There was an all-staff meeting over zoom that went well. Martha and Jackie also attended. PODS had a graduation event at Hillcrest. It was great, and thank you to everyone who helped.

Still working on Budgets. We have a vaccination clinic coming up at AMS. At the last clinic, we vaccinated 172 people.

ADJOURNMENT

Martha Geitner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Jackie McHargue seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



Dr. Gene Freeman, Superintendent



James C. Carter, Board Chair