

Minutes of the Vance County Board of Education Meeting  
May 12, 2025

The Vance County Board of Education met in regular session on May 12, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Administrative Service Center Boardroom. Board members present were Mrs. Dorothy W. Gooche, Chair, Mrs. Ayana F. Lewis, Vice-Chair, Mrs. Linda S. Cobb, Mrs. Gloria J. White, Dr. Omega T. Perry, Mr. Randy M. Oxendine and Mr. Jerry Stainback, School Board Attorney. Senior staff present were Dr. Cindy Bennett, Superintendent, Mrs. Aarika Sandlin, Chief Officer of Communication and Innovative Support, Ms. Chelsa Jennings, Chief Human Resources Officer, Mr. Kevin Perdue, Chief Operations, Mr. Rey Horner, Executive Director for Student Services, Mr. John Suther, Chief Finance Officer, Mrs. Jacqueline Batchelor-Crosson, Executive Director of Federal Programs & Elementary Education and Dr. Destiney Ross-Putney, Chief Officer of Instruction and Innovation. Mrs. Ruth M. Hartness, was absent.

Mrs. Gooche called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone. A moment of silence was observed.

#### Approval of Minutes

Approval of the April 7, 2025 minutes was motioned by Mr. Oxendine and seconded by Dr. Perry, with a unanimous (6-0) vote.

#### Approval of Meeting Agenda

Approval of the meeting agenda and the following additions were motioned by Mrs. White, and seconded by Mrs. Cobb, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the agenda with additions.

- Public Comment, Spring Athletics, Personnel Addendum, C&I Committee Minutes Revised, Field Trip and Transfer/Releases Revised

#### Recognitions/Announcements

##### Advanced Teaching Roles

Mrs. Kristen Boyd, E.O. Young Elementary principal, was recognized for her presentation on Advanced Teacher Evaluation with members of The Innovation Project's Opportunity Culture Consortium. Mrs. Boyd's work was featured as part of a professional learning event at the Friday Institute for Educational Innovation.

#### Teacher Appreciation Week

May 4-9, 2025 was Teacher Appreciation Week and the Vance County Board of Education proudly celebrated and honored the outstanding contributions of our educators and support staff. This nationally recognized week serves as a reminder of the powerful impact teachers, instructional assistants, office personnel, custodians, counselors, social workers, nurses, district staff, bus drivers, cafeteria teams, and so many others have on the lives of students each and every day. Each staff member in the district was presented a branded picnic blanket as a token of appreciation. The Governor's proclamation was read.

**Teacher Appreciation Week & Day 2025**  
**By the Governor of The State Of North Carolina**  
**A Proclamation**

**Whereas**, North Carolina's children are the future of our state and teachers are essential to their success; and  
**Whereas**, teachers open students' minds to ideas, knowledge, and opportunities and can change the lives of children every day; and  
**Whereas**, teachers are essential to empowering families and communities to support our children and contribute to the growth and progress of our state; and  
**Whereas**, our state is only as strong as our students' ability to reach their academic potential, which requires the diligence, patience, and dedication of our teachers; and  
**Whereas**, North Carolina is facing a teacher shortage, jeopardizing children's education across the state; North Carolina must do more to pay and support educators, and we must make stronger investments in our teachers to secure a strong future for our state for generations to come; and  
**Whereas**, we recognize teachers' commitment, planning, counseling, instructing, coaching, evaluating, and caring for their students in and outside the classroom; and

**Whereas**, National Teacher Day was first celebrated by congressional declaration in March of 1980 and was moved and extended to the first full week of May by the National PTA and NEA Representative Assembly in 1985; and

**Whereas**, the State of North Carolina joins in honoring teachers and will continue our commitment to support our teachers and public schools today and every day;

**Now, Therefore**, I, Josh Stein, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 5-9, 2025, as **“Teacher Appreciation Week”** and May 6, 2025, as **“Teacher Appreciation Day”** in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

#### School Communicator Day/NCSPRA

The Vance County Board of Education recognized the district for earning six Blue Ribbon Awards from the North Carolina School Public Relations Association (NCSPRA) for excellence in school communications. The awards were presented during a statewide ceremony in High Point on April 11, 2025. Vance County Schools was honored in the following categories:

<b>Gold</b>	<b>Silver</b>	<b>Bronze</b>
Electronic Media (Your Voice, Our Story)	Marketing (Shining Stars: VCS Student Spotlight)	Electronic Media (The Safe Way to Start Your Day)
Image/Graphic Design (Fitness Park: Fit for Fun)		Image/Graphic Design (Getting to Know Your Information Cards)
		Publication (News You Can Use)

#### Leadership Vance

The Vance County Board of Education recognized the current Leadership Vance class. In partnership with the Henderson-Vance Chamber of Commerce, Vance County Schools hosted the group for an engaging Education Day by visiting Clarke Elementary, Vance County High School, STEM Early, Center for Innovation and the Administrative Services Center.

#### Student Spotlight

The Student Spotlight program is made possible through the support of the Vance County Public School Foundation, MAKO Medical, and Vance County Schools. Students participated in Experience Raleigh, where they visited Freedom Park, Capitol, Legislative Building, Museum of Natural Sciences and a meeting with NC Representative Bryan Cohn. Congratulations to our 2024-2025 Spotlight students who ended the year with a Red Carpet Soiree: Damira Williams Landon Roberts, Cyrus Deane, Briyanna Mitchell, Kaylor Cross, Rylee Williams, Awwad Almamwri, Kanaelah Miles, Ireana Tuck, Zahra Hendricks, Lucas Tyburski, Jakayla Kearney, Nicola Thompson, Jamel Anderson, Rihanna Williams, and Fatima Ramirez.

#### Comments from the Public

Ms. Sharita Jones, VCAE President, shared an update on the campaign to increase the local supplement and classified staff pay.

#### Superintendent’s Report

The Fiscal Oversight Monthly Report was shared for information only.

#### 2025 Summer Schedule

Dr. Bennett presented the district’s summer schedule beginning the week of June 30<sup>th</sup> through the week of July 21<sup>st</sup> for approval. Any full week taken for leave equates to 40 hours. All 12-month staff will adhere to the following schedule:

- Work a 7:30-5:00 schedule Monday -Thursday, with a 30-minute lunch
- Work an 8:00-5:00 schedule Monday – Thursday, with a 1-hour lunch and take 4 hours of leave each week

Upon motion by Mr. Oxendine and seconded by Mrs. White, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the 2025 Summer Schedule

Spring & Fall Athletics

Dr. Nealie Whitt, II shared an update on high school athletics.

Sport	Details
Women's Flag Football	45 student-athletes participated in our inaugural season, which has created great momentum and strong interest of over 50 for this upcoming season.
Baseball	18 dedicated players gave their all this season. While the record doesn't reflect it, their effort and commitment, alongside their coaches, were outstanding.
Softball	12 players competed with heart, finishing with a record of 6-9.
Women's Soccer	22 athletes led the team to an impressive 11-7-2 record. A win today secures a spot in the playoffs—good luck!
Men's Golf	10 players represented VCHS with excellence. The team won <i>Coach of the Year</i> and <i>Sportsmanship of the Year</i> for the second year in a row.
Track and Field	4 athletes are advancing to regionals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maurice Jackson – Shot Put</li> <li>○ Nekkies Hargrove – Long Jump &amp; Triple Jump</li> <li>○ Shalome Forbes – 100m Dash</li> <li>○ Clarence Debnam – 400m Dash (<i>Back-to-Back NLAC Conference Champion</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>2025 Fall Sports Preview</b>	Football (Varsity & JV): 90 student-athletes projected to participate Women's Tennis: 12 student-athletes projected to compete in this <i>new sport</i> at VCHS Women's Flag Football: 45 student-athletes projected for fall season participation Volleyball: 22 students have expressed strong interest Cheerleading: 60 students are currently trying out Women's Golf: Interest meeting scheduled soon Men's Soccer: Interest meeting scheduled soon

**Board of Education Standing Committees**

Personnel

Mr. Oxendine shared information from the May 6, 2025 meeting.

**I. EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION(S)**

LOCATION	EMPLOYEE NAME	RACE/SEX	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Maintenance	Chadwick Denton	W/M	Grounds Crew	4/28/25
Pinkston	Ernestine Brodie	B/F	Tutor	4/23/25
Pinkston	Shaqueema Wilson	B/F	Tutor	4/22/25
VCMS	Donovan Daley	B/M	Custodian	4/22/25
Zeb Vance	Samuel Anglin	B/M	Custodian	4/28/25
ASC	Joseph Walker	W/M	Payroll Supervisor	5/07/25

**II. RETIREMENT(S)**

LOCATION	EMPLOYEE NAME	RACE/SEX	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Dabney	Karen Reece	W/F	Social Worker	6/30/25

**III. RESIGNATION(S)**

LOCATION	EMPLOYEE NAME	RACE/SEX	POSITION	REASON	EFFECTIVE DATE
ASC	LaToya Henderson	B/F	District Behavioral Support	Career Change	5/07/25
Maintenance	Jesse Pendergrass	W/M	Electrician	Relocation	5/13/25
Custodian	Maryflor Bolanos	H/F	Custodian	Family Responsibility	5/01/25

**IV. LEAVE(S) – For Information Only**

LOCATION	EMPLOYEE NAME	RACE/SEX	LEAVE TYPE	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE
ASC	Diana McCann	W/F	FMLA	NCSIS Coordinator	4/14/25-7/07/25
VCHS	Bridget Bailey	B/F	FMLA	Teacher	3/25/25-4/08/25

Zeb Vance	Natonna Robinson	B/F	FMLA	Guidance Counselor	3/06/25-6/30/25
Pinkston	Kevin Johnson	B/M	FMLA	Custodian	4/07/25-4/14/25
VCEC	Shanice White	B/F	FMLA	Teacher	5/14/25-6/13/25
VCMS	Ruby Caballes	B/F	FMLA	Teacher	5/01/25-6/13/25
VCMS	Sheila Gill	B/F	FMLA	Teacher Assistant	4/01/25-6/13/25

The district has 32 projected vacancies and the ESS substitute fill rate is 88%. The Educator of Excellence banquet is June 11, 2025 at the Henderson Country Club at 6 pm.

Upon motion by Mr. Oxendine and seconded by Mrs. White, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the personnel summary and addendum.

Finance

Mrs. White shared information from the April 24, 2025 meeting.

**FORVIS MARZARS, LLP**

The audit contract renewal with FORVIS MARZARS, LLP is for the required independent audit for fiscal year ending June 20, 2025 for a proposed fee of \$69,500.00 and work will begin in May 2025.

Upon motion by Mrs. White and seconded by Dr. Perry, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the FORVIS MARZARS, LLP Audit contract.

**Budget Resolution #3 with Amendments & Transfers for FY 2024-2025**

The total appropriation for amendment #3 is \$91,611,900.00, with a slight increase from the initial budget resolution due to the State converting to the funding in arrears model. As is expected, the majority of the funds allocated by the Board are for Instructional purposes. This accounts for 71% of our district's total expenses. As is common with all school district budgets, the majority of the funds are used for Salaries and Benefits. This accounts for 72% of our district's budget. State budget dictates the rates for salaries and benefits. The current retirement rate is 24.04% and the hospitalization rate per-person is \$8,095 for this fiscal year. Retirement rates change each fiscal year and hospitalization rates change each calendar year.

Vance County Schools									
Amendment #3 Budget Resolution - Fiscal Year 2024-2025									
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Vance County Public Schools:									
		<u>INITIAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>		<u>Amendment</u> <u>Thru 2.21.25</u>	<u>Amendments</u> <u>Thru 3.20.25</u>	<u>Amendments</u> <u>Thru 4.17.25</u>	<u>Final</u> <u>Amendment</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	
<b>Section 1:</b> The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the public schools in the <b>State Public School Fund</b> for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:									
<b>State Fund Expenditures</b>									
5000	Instructional Program Funds	49,783,574	86.7%	(615,898)	222,043	(72,179)		49,317,540	86.2%
6000	Support Services Program Funds:	7,644,717	13.3%	98,275	58,612	86,533		7,888,137	13.8%
7000	Ancillary Services	6,438	0.0%			(1,170)		5,268	0.0%
8000	Non-Programmed Charges		0.0%					0	0.0%
	<b>Total State Funds Appropriation</b>	<b>57,434,729</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>(517,623)</b>	<b>280,655</b>	<b>13,184</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>57,210,945</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Section 2:</b> The following revenues are estimated to be available to the <b>State Public School Fund</b> for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:									
<b>State Revenues:</b>									
3100	State Public School Fund	56,516,621	98.4%	1,135,255	(720,708)	13,184		56,944,352	99.5%
3100-12	Driver Training	143,282	0.2%		1,363			144,645	0.3%
3100-15	School Technology Fund	121,948	0.2%					121,948	0.2%

3100-CRF	COVID Relief FUNDS (ALL CRF PRCs)		0.0%					0	0.0%
3200	State Textbook Fund	652,878	1.1%	(652,878)				0	0.0%
Fund 1	<b>Total State Public School Fund Revenue</b>	<b>57,434,729</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>482,377</b>	<b>(719,345)</b>	<b>13,184</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>57,210,945</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 3:** The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the public schools in the **Local Current Expense Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Local Current Expense Funds:</b>									
5000	Instructional Program Funds	2,150,992	22.3%			1,776		2,152,768	22.3%
6000	Support Services Program Funds:	4,995,117	51.8%			(1,776)		4,993,341	51.8%
7000	Ancillary Services		0.0%					0	0.0%
8000	Non-Programmed Charges	2,499,756	25.9%					2,499,756	25.9%
	<b>Total Current Expense Appropriation</b>	<b>9,645,865</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,645,865</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 4:** The following revenues are estimated to be available to the **Local Current Expense Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Local Revenues:</b>									
	County Appropriation -VCS	9,245,865	95.9%					9,245,865	95.9%
	Fines & Forfeitures & Misc Rev	400,000	4.1%					400,000	4.1%
	Fund Balance Appropriated		0.0%					0	0.0%
Fund 2	<b>Total Local Current Expense Revenues:</b>	<b>9,645,865</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,645,865</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 5:** The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the public schools in the **Federal Grants Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Federal Funds Expenditures</b>									
5000	Instructional Program Funds	6,505,634	72.3%	283,690	78,779	7,172		6,875,275	75.2%
6000	Support Services Program Funds:	2,236,287	24.9%	(232,993)	(606)	50,000		2,052,688	22.5%
7000	Ancillary Services	19,237	0.2%					19,237	0.2%
8000	Non-Programmed Charges	235,439	2.6%	5,644	(48,790)	(172)		192,121	2.1%
	<b>Total Federal Grants Fund Appropriation</b>	<b>8,996,597</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>56,341</b>	<b>29,383</b>	<b>57,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,139,321</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 6:** The following revenues are estimated to be available to the **Federal Grants Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Federal Grant Funds Revenue</b>									
17	Career Technical Education - Prog Improvement	163,879	1.8%	15,071	5,126			184,076	2.0%
49	IDEA Title VI-B Preschool Handicapped	113,988	1.3%	(30,029)				83,959	0.9%
50	ESEA Title I - Basic Program	3,553,502	39.5%		18,126			3,571,628	39.1%
51	ESEA Title I - Migrant Education	56,606	0.6%	776				57,382	0.6%
53	School Nutrition Equipment Grants		0.0%					0	0.0%
59	CDC: Improving Health, Academic Achievement					50,000		50,000	0.5%

60	IDEA Title VI-B Handicapped	1,347,000	15.0%					1,347,000	14.7%
70	IDEA Title VI-B Early Intervening Services	328,003	3.6%					328,003	3.6%
82	IDEA Title VI-B State Improvement Grant		0.0%	391		7,000		7,391	0.1%
103	Title II - Improving Teacher Quality	484,917	5.4%		2,238			487,155	5.3%
104/111	Title III - Language Acquisition/Sig Inc	145,024	1.6%	2,134	3,893			151,051	1.7%
105	ESEA Title I - School Improvement	281,862	3.1%					281,862	3.1%
108	ESEA Title IV - Student Support	253,666	2.8%	1,205				254,871	2.8%
109	Rural & Low-Income Schools	245,438	2.7%	53,789				299,227	3.3%
110	21st Century Grant		0.0%					0	0.0%
115	ESEA Title I - Targeted Support	36,126	0.4%					36,126	0.4%
118/119	IDEA Title VI-B - Special Needs Targeted	6,591	0.1%	13,004				19,595	0.2%
145	Stronger Connections	657,149	7.3%					657,149	7.2%
163	ESSER 1.0 - Primary Funding		0.0%					0	0.0%
165-170	ESSER 1.0 - Supplement Grants		0.0%					0	0.0%
171	ESSER 2.0 - Primary Funding		0.0%					0	0.0%
172-180	ESSER 2.0 - Supplemental Grants		0.0%					0	0.0%
181	ESSER 3.0 - Primary Funding	1,158,698	12.9%					1,158,698	12.7%
184-206	ESSER 3.0 - Supplemental Grants	164,148	1.8%					164,148	
<b>Fund 3</b>	<b>Total Federal Grants</b>								
	<b>Funds Revenues</b>	<b>8,996,597</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>56,341</b>	<b>29,383</b>	<b>57,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,139,321</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 7:** The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the public schools in the **Child Nutrition Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Child Nutrition Fund Expenses</b>									
7200	Nutrition Services	5,119,332						5,119,332	
	<b>Total Child Nutrition Fund Appropriation</b>	<b>5,119,332</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,119,332</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 8:** The following revenues are estimated to be available to the **Child Nutrition Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Child Nutrition Revenues</b>									
	State Funds	0	0.0%					0	0.0%
	Local Funds	799,370	15.4%					799,370	15.4%
	Federal Funds	4,399,962	84.6%					4,399,962	84.6%
	Fund Balance Appropriated	0	0.0%					0	0.0%
<b>Fund 5</b>	<b>Total Child Nutrition Fund Revenue</b>	<b>5,199,332</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,199,332</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 9:** The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the public schools in the **Other Specific Revenue Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Other Restricted Expenses</b>									
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5000	Instructional Program Funds	3,883,841	68.6%	(78,673)	2,312,084	(104,735)		6,012,517	74.8%
6000	Support Services Program Funds:	870,903	15.4%	(1,006)	246,390			1,116,287	13.9%
7000	Ancillary Services	0	0.0%		878,188			878,188	10.9%
8000	Non-Programmed Charges	906,514	16.0%		(878,188)			28,326	0.4%
	<b>Total Other Restricted Fund Appropriation</b>	<b>5,661,258</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>(79,679)</b>	<b>2,558,474</b>	<b>(104,735)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,035,318</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 10:** The following revenues are estimated to be available to the **Other Specific Revenue Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Other Restricted Revenues</b>									
4110	Local Revenue - Restricted by County	878,188	15.5%					878,188	10.9%
3200	Other State Revenue	24,626	0.4%		2,116,986			2,141,612	26.7%
37xx/38xx	Other Federal Revenues (E-Rate, Medicaid, ROTC, misc.)		0.0%		168,738			168,738	2.1%
4210	Tuition & Fees	143,272	2.5%		10,970	(125,661)		28,581	0.4%
44xx/49xx	Contributions/Misc Revenues	4,287,331	75.7%	(169,475)	127,508	20,926		4,266,290	53.1%
4820	Sale of Tiny House				30,000			30,000	
4880	Indirect Cost Revenue		0.0%					0	0.0%
4890	Grant Revenues	327,841	5.8%	89,796	104,272			521,909	6.5%
	Fund Balances Appropriated		0.0%					0	0.0%
<b>Fund 8</b>	<b>Total Other Restricted Fund Revenues</b>	<b>5,661,258</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>(79,679)</b>	<b>2,558,474</b>	<b>(104,735)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,035,318</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 11:** The following amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the public schools in the **Capital Outlay Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Capital Outlay Expenses</b>									
<b>Category I (Land &amp; Buildings)</b>									
909.411,943.3 62,901.422	General Supplies & Materials	139,226			3,574			142,800	
904.311	General Contracts	154,437			9,670			164,107	
	HVAC/Boilers							0	
	Electrical							0	
	Plumbing/Sewer							0	
	Architects Fees							0	
901&904.526 &528	Carpentry/Roofing	810,541			(10,000)			800,541	
901.529	Other/General Maintenance	151,572						151,572	
901.311&532, 440.532	Improvements to Sites & Paving	150,000			110,256			260,256	
	Contingency/Unbudgeted							0	
	<b>Total Category I Projects</b>	<b>1,405,776</b>	<b>73.1%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>113,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,519,276</b>	<b>63.8%</b>
<b>Category II (Furniture &amp; Equipment)</b>									
015.462	Technology Upgrades - Computer Devices	431,493			(238,586)			192,907	
904.541	General Furniture & Equipment				135,086			135,086	

	Reserve - Not Designated								0
	Total Category II Projects	431,493	22.4%	0	(103,500)	0	0	327,993	13.8%
<b>Category III (Motor Vehicles)</b>									
	Activity Bus Replacement								0
120.551	Yellow Bus Replacement (State)				458,850			458,850	
901.551	Maintenance Vehicles	85,000			(10,000)			75,000	
	Reserve - Not Designated								0
	Total Category III Projects	85,000	4.4%	0	448,850	0	0	533,850	22.4%
	<b>Total Capital Fund Appropriation</b>	<b>1,922,269</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>458,850</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,381,119</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 12:** The following revenues are estimated to be available to the **Capital Outlay Fund** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025:

<b>Capital Outlay Revenues</b>									
	County Appropriation	750,000	39.0%					750,000	31.5%
	County Funding - CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) Carryover		0.0%					0	0.0%
	State Funds (School Bus Purchases)		0.0%		458,850			458,850	19.3%
	Other Financing Sources		0.0%					0	0.0%
	Fund Balance Appropriated (PY Bal fund 4)	1,172,269	61.0%					1,172,269	49.2%
<b>Fund 4</b>	<b>Total Capital Outlay Revenues</b>	<b>1,922,269</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>458,850</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,381,119</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

In summary, the following funding amounts are hereby appropriated for the operation of the Vance County Public Schools for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025.

<b>Fund 1</b>	State Public School Fund	57,434,729	64.6%	482,377	(719,345)	13,184	0	57,210,945	62.4%
<b>Fund 2</b>	Local Current Expense Fund	9,645,865	10.9%	0	0	0	0	9,645,865	10.5%
<b>Fund 3</b>	Federal Grants Fund	8,996,597	10.1%	56,341	29,383	57,000	0	9,139,321	10.0%
<b>Fund 4</b>	Capital Outlay Fund	1,922,269	2.2%	0	458,850	0	0	2,381,119	2.6%
<b>Fund 5</b>	Child Nutrition Fund	5,199,332	5.9%	0	0	0	0	5,199,332	5.7%
<b>Fund 8</b>	Other Restricted Fund	5,661,258	6.4%	(79,679)	2,558,474	(104,735)	0	8,035,318	8.8%
	<b>Total Appropriation for Vance County Schools</b>	<b>88,860,050</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>459,039</b>	<b>2,327,362</b>	<b>(34,551)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>91,611,900</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Section 13:** All appropriations shall be paid first from revenues restricted as to use, and second from general unrestricted revenues.

**Section 14:** The Superintendent is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations within a fund under the following conditions:

	<b>A.</b> Amounts transferred between functions and sub-functions and objects of expenditures within a function without limitations and without a report to the Board of Education being required.
	<b>B.</b> Amounts may be transferred not to exceed 25% between functions of the same fund with a report and approval on such transfers being required of the Board of Education.
	<b>C.</b> Amounts may not be transferred between funds nor from any contingency appropriations within a fund.
	<b>D.</b> In addition the Board authorizes the Superintendent to fully maximize its resources and allows for the further amendment of revenues and expenditures by program report code as may be needed to meet those goals. Further should NCDPI, the State, or

	the Federal governments release additional CRF/COVID/CARES Revenues/Funding prior to the Board next approval of a budget amendment, the Superintendent has approval to use those resources for the benefit of the district and in accordance with any NC State Board of Education Policies, and/or State or Federal legislation/policies.
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**Section 15:** Copies of the Budget Resolution shall be immediately furnished to the Superintendent and school Finance Officer for direction in carrying out their duties.

**Adopted by the Vance County Board of Education, this the 12th day of May, 2025**

Upon motion by Mrs. White and seconded by Dr. Perry, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the Budget Resolution # 3.

#### Local Budget Request for FY 2025-2026

The district is requesting \$15,072,236.00 that includes an increase to the Local Teacher Supplement along with an additional Classified Staff Supplement and Capital Outlay increase. The formal board approved budget request will be sent to the County on May 13, 2025.

Upon motion by Mrs. White and seconded by Dr. Perry, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the Local Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

#### School Nutrition Procurement Plan

The State required plan is intended to ensure free and open competition, in an environment that promotes transparency in all transactions, documented comparability for ethical decision-making, and adequate documentation to substantiate the allowable use of School Nutrition funds. The procurement plan was last approved in May 2018 and the Federal micro-purchasing threshold was \$3,500 and has been revised to \$10,000.

Upon motion by Mrs. White and seconded by Mrs. Cobb, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the School Nutrition Procurement Plan.

#### Exceptional Children with Disabilities Contract

EC contracts are paid from State and Federal sources and the current EC contract budget is \$787,243.00 with expenses of \$1,152,409. The budget needs to be increased to \$800,000.00 to cover current overage and to finish out the fiscal year.

Upon motion by Mrs. White and seconded by Dr. Perry, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved to increase the Exceptional Children contract to \$800,000.

#### Building and Grounds – No meeting

##### Policy

Mr. Horner shared information from the April 24, 2025 meeting. The 8000 Series of policies were presented with no changes. It is recommended that for policy 2130 Section B, item 1 requires board members to report to the other board members after attending professional developments. Also recommended was to delete item B, number 4 dealing with reimbursement of canceled or missed events.

Upon motion by Mrs. Cobb and seconded by Mr. Oxendine, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved policy 2130.

##### Curriculum

Mrs. Lewis shared information from the April 24, 2025 meeting. A total of 74 staff members earned CEUs, for a total of 229.8 contact hours. The Read-to-Achieve Camp is for students in grades 2 – 4 who are performing below grade level. Camp will be at Aycock Elementary starting June 12-27. EC Elevate Pathways program will be June 16-27 to support students who are owed compensatory time or OCS work hours. MI Centro and ESL camp will be held at Dabney Elementary for students in Pre-K – 12. Credit recovery and cohort 2026 will have session 1 from June 2 – 13 at

VCHS and VCEC and session 2 from June 17 – July 16 at Advance Academy. CTE students will have an opportunity to earn a credential during a dedicated session June 2 – 13 at VCHS. The Local AIG plan for 2025-2025 was recommended for approval. Technology department completed 1, 414 work orders.

Upon motion by Mrs. Lewis and seconded by Mrs. White, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the Local AIG Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

#### Community & Business Relations

Mrs. Sandlin shared information from the April 24, 2025 meeting. The NC School Public Relations Association held their Blue-Ribbon Awards Ceremony and VCS earned 6 awards. Upcoming events were shared below.

May 3 – Vance Cares Family Festival

May 13 - District-Wide Field Day

May 23 – VCHS & VCEC Graduations

June 6 – AA & V3A Graduations

June 11 – Education of Excellence Banquet

#### New Business - None

#### Field Trip Request

Vance County High School Football Team will travel to Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount NC to participate in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Camp and stay in the college dormitories on June 12-14, 2025.

Upon motion by Mr. Oxendine and seconded by Mrs. Cobb, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the field trip request for VCHS Football Team to travel on June 12-14, 2025 to Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount NC.

#### Transfer Requests

Dr. Bennett presented two student release requests to transfer out of the district and 22 to transfer into the district.

Upon motion by Mrs. White and seconded by Mr. Oxendine, the Board unanimously (6-0) approved the 24 transfer and release requests.

#### Executive Session

Upon motion by Mrs. Gooche and seconded by Mr. Oxendine, the Board voted unanimously (6-0) to go into closed session pursuant to the provisions of North Carolina General Statutes 143-318.11 for the purpose of approving executive session minutes and discussing legal, personnel, and property issues pursuant to subsection (a) of the said statute at 6:44 pm.

The Board returned to the open session at 7:33 p.m.

Being no further business, upon motion by Mr. Oxendine and seconded by Mrs. Cobb, the Board voted unanimously (6-0) to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

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BOARD CHAIR, DOROTHY W. GOOCHE

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SECRETARY, CINDY W. BENNETT