

KANNAPOLIS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES

Date: April 14, 2025	Present:	Mr. Todd Adams, Chair
		Mr. Kevin Clark
Time: 5:30 PM		Mrs. Anita Parker
		Mrs. Kristina Cook
Place: Kannapolis City Schools		Dr. Chip Buckwell
Board Room		Dr. Chris Triolo
		Dr. Mandi Campbell
		Mr. John Basilice
		Mr. Brian Shaw, Attorney
		Mrs. Ashley Forrest, Recorder

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Todd Adams called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

At 5:32 p.m., a motion was made by Mrs. Parker that the Board convene in Closed Session, pursuant to General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged, and pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of student information that is confidential under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, and pursuant to Gen. Stat 143-318.11(a)(6) to prevent the disclosure of personnel information that is confidential under N. C. Gen. Stat. 115C-319 through -321. Mrs. Cook gave the second and the motion carried.

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:32 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Adams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION

Mr. John Basilice requested approval of the student assignment lists as presented with eleven students granted acceptance to and forty-six students released from Kannapolis City Schools. Mrs. Cook made a motion to approve the student assignment list as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

Dr. Mandi Campbell requested approval of the personnel list as presented with no persons requesting a leave of absence (for action), fourteen persons leaving employment (for information), nine persons recommended for employment (for action), no persons recommended for employment change (for information), and the Summer Employment list. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the personnel list as presented. Mrs. Cook gave the second and the motion carried.

#### APPROVALS

Upon a motion by Mrs. Parker and a second from Mr. Clark, the minutes from the March 3, 2025, Open Session, the February 27, 2025, credit card statement, and the March 20, 2025 Head Start Policy Council minutes were approved as presented.

#### RECOGNITIONS

Four persons from North Kannapolis Elementary School were recognized: student Ella Parker, student Elijah Pascal, tutor Kelly Oehler, and teacher Charles Willimon. Kannapolis Middle School 7/8 teacher Tammie Tourtellott was recognized as the Hilbish Teacher of the Month. Jason Barber was recognized for his volunteer efforts within the district.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no request for public comment.

#### STUDENT SERVICES UPDATE

Mr. John Basilice and representatives from Present Age Ministries shared information regarding A Child's Choice. Mr. Basilice shared a timeline for presenting this information to parents, along with an opt-out procedure, and for initially implementing the program to grades 1, 3, and 5.

#### BUDGET REQUEST: CABARRUS COUNTY

Dr. Chip Buckwell provided an overview of the budget request to be given to Cabarrus County Commissioners on April 15, 2025, including a requested increase of 9.75% in funding. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the budget request as amended. Mrs. Cook gave the second and the motion carried.

#### 2025-2026 FEE SCHEDULES

Dr. Chris Triolo presented the recommended changes to the School Fees Schedule. He also shared that no changes were being recommended for the Before School Care fees. Mrs. Ashley Forrest provided context for the proposed changes to the Facilities Rentals Fee Schedule. Mrs. Cook made a motion to approve the fee schedules as presented. Mr. Clark gave the second and the motion carried.

2024-2025 SUMMER PROGRAM PLAN - REVISED

Dr. Triolo presented the new information from the state regarding reassessment dates and presented a revised Summer Program Plan. Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 Summer Program Plan as revised. Mrs. Cook gave the second and the motion carried.

OPERATIONS UPDATE

Mr. Scott Rodgers shared updates on current projects in the district.

FINANCE UPDATE

Mrs. Forrest shared that \$329 was expended for Dr. Buckwell to attend the NCASA Leadership Conference.

Mrs. Forrest also reviewed the monthly budget report for Board review. She presented State Fund 1 – Amendment #2. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the amendment as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

The Audit Services Contract for 2025-2026 we presented. Mrs. Cook made a motion to approve the contract as presented. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

Mrs. Forrest shared that the required quarterly reporting for the Contributions-Based Benefit Cap was being sent to the Commission Chairs for both Cabarrus and Rowan counties.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several announcements and upcoming events were discussed.

Chair Todd Adams recommended the Board consider providing an honorarium to First Baptist Church – Kannapolis in appreciation for the use of their building for a series of meetings. The Board agreed to offer the church an honorarium of \$100 per day for each day the meetings were held at the church.

The Board went into Closed Session at 7:49 p.m. and returned to Open Session at 8:15 p.m.

Mrs. Cook made a motion to approve and close the Closed Session minutes from March 3, 2025. Mrs. Parker gave the second and the motion carried.

Mr. Clark made a motion to approve and open the Closed Session minutes from March 17, March 24, March 25, March 27, March 31, and April 1, 2025, as presented. Mrs. Cook gave the second and the motion carried.

ADJOURN

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

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Dr. Chip Buckwell, Interim Superintendent

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Todd Adams, Chair