

**Gaston County Schools
Operations Committee
Monday, December 1, 2025**

MINUTES

The Operations Committee met on Monday, November 3, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in the Central Office Board Room, 943 Osceola Street, Gastonia, NC. The Committee Members in attendance were: Chairman Moore, Dot Cherry and Tod Kinlaw, and Lee Dedmon.

Additional attendees included: BOE Chairman Josh Crisp, Robbie Lovelace, Superintendent Dr. Morgen A. Houchard, Attorney Sonya McGraw, Associate Superintendents Gary Hoskins and Tonya Kales, Executive Director Beth Suber, Assistant Superintendent Bessie Harvey, Chief Communications Officer Todd Hagans, Chief Technology Officer Curtis Poplin, Chief of Staff Tom Nencetti, Executive Director Bryan Denton, Finance Director James Beckford, Accounting Manager Toni Sellers, District Budget Analyst Susan Brooks, and Board Clerk Cindy Beck.

Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

Approval/Correction of the Minutes

Motion to adopt the Minutes from the November 3, 2025, as presented was made by Mr. Lee Dedmon and seconded by Ms. Dot Cherry; motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Independent Audit Update - Information

Mr. Hoskins introduced our Auditor, Josh Puryear who explained to the Board that there is a delay in the Annual Audit due to Legislative changes and the Federal shutdown. The final statements should be released in January.

Budget Discussion FY 2025-2026 - Information

Associate Superintendent Gary Hoskins provided an update on the FY 2026 State Budget challenges, including a \$7.2 million decrease in Low Wealth funding, under funded state expenses, and over-allotted school positions that will necessitate coverage by local funds. The State Budget has not yet been finalized.

Budget Discussion FY 2027 - Information

Mr. Hoskins noted the Budget Challenges for the FY 2027 in local, state, and federal budgets.

(View Presentation)

TSS Updates - Information

Chief Technology Officer Curtis Poplin reported that the TSS Team has assisted each school site in generating 14 reports critical to funding such as PMR, AIG, EL, and EC headcounts and legislative-related reports.

The network uptime averaged 99.9% with a noted power outage on November 13th, 2025 less than one hour.

Digital Learning Facilitators provided 600 hours of Professional Development as well as 400 hours of technical support.

(View Attachment)

Human Resources Update

Beth Suber presented the November Human Resources Report:

-ESS Update-Substitute Fill Rate: 87%

-Teacher Vacancy Update District Wide: 51

-The HR Team is currently working to extend early contracts to Fall 2025 Student Teachers for the 2026-2027 school year.

(View Attachment)

School Calendar Discussion - Information

Three draft versions of the 2026-2027 Academic Calendar were presented to the Committee for review in consideration of current North Carolina state law. The draft calendars will be made available on the Gaston County Schools website for public comments and feedback. The calendars and submitted feedback will be presented at the Board approval at the meeting on December 15, 2025.

Operations Updates

Assistant Superintendent of Operations Bessie Harvey presented the following items for consideration for placement on the Consent Agenda:

Chapel Grove Permanent Sewer Easement

Cramerton Middle School Temporary Easement

Hunter Huss Water Meter/Drainage Easement

Architect Selection CMR

Contracts:

Amendment #1 to Trash Removal contract

Forestview High School Auditorium HVAC Replacement

Skylight panel tinting at Camerton Middle School

The following were presented as informational items:

Carr/Aquatic Center Service Road

Security Vestibules

(View Presentation)

Contract Discussion

The following contracts were reviewed and recommended to be placed on the Consent Agenda:

Motion

The Motion was made by Mr. Lee Dedmon and seconded by Ms. Dot Cherry that the Board:

place the Easements and contracts as presented, on the Consent Agenda for the December 15, 2025, Board Meeting.

A vote was taken, and a motion to approve the Easements and contracts as presented carried unanimously. (4-0)

(View Presentation)

Legal/Policy Updates

Ms. Dot Cherry gave the following update on the Policy Committee, which met on November 25, 2025.

Policy 3610, *Extracurricular Activities and Student Organizations*, was revised to align with North Carolina law.

Policy 7100, *Recruitment and Selection of Personnel*, underwent a review of its nepotism language and was deemed current.

Policy 4318, *Use of Wireless Communication Devices*, was discussed, and a draft policy will be included on the Consent Agenda for the December 15, 2025, Board Meeting.

Superintendent's Comments

Superintendent Houchard advised that each school has implemented a flag patrol responsible for the daily raising and lowering of the American flag.

The attendance initiative is demonstrating positive outcomes for both students and staff. Monthly progress updates will begin in January.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on February 2, 2026, in the Central Office Board Room beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Adjournment

All business being conducted, the meeting was adjourned. Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Tod Kinlaw and seconded by Mr. Lee Dedmon. The Motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

The Operations Committee Meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Approved:



Brent Moore, Chairman

Date Approved: 3-2-26

Board of Education

Operations Committee Meeting

Central Office Board Room
December 1, 2025

Operations Committee Agenda

- Call to Order
- Review and Approve Minutes
 - **November 3, 2025**

Independent Audit Update

- Remote Call with Josh Puryear, CPA, Assurance Director with Forvis Mazars

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Discussion

Finance Updates

Gary Hoskins

Associate Superintendent and CFO

Budget Discussion FY 2025-2026



FY 26 Budget Discussion

State Budget Challenges

- Low wealth funding decreased \$7.2M
 - We have made requests to our State representative to restore all or a portion of this funding this year
 - This funding was used to pay for 153 positions including 143 school and CO clerical/administrative positions
 - These employees are still on the payroll

FY 26 Budget Discussion

State Budget Challenges

- ADM growth funding was \$4.4M last year
 - ADM Funding in arrears - Best 1 of 2 ADM will be released this week
 - Month 2 PMR (2025) is 398 less than current ADM
 - This funding was used to pay for 65 instructional support positions such as counselors, nurses, etc.
 - 54 of these positions are still active

FY 26 Budget Discussion

State Budget Challenges

- Total decrease in these two funding sources was \$11.6M
- Existing cuts in expenses and positions have reduced the impact to \$7.6M
- Last year we received an additional \$6.6M in State funding from November to June

FY 26 Budget Discussion

Additional State Budget Challenges

- Instructional Support is over 54 positions
 - School Counselors, Social Workers, Nurses
- Teaching personnel is over 53 positions
 - Classroom and Program Enhancement Teachers
- Excess state expenses and over allotted positions must be covered by local funds

Budget Discussion

FY 2026-2027



FY 27 Budget Discussion

State Budget Challenges

- Underfunded EC Funding - 13% cap
- Underfunded School Health Support - 71 positions (nurses, social workers and counselors for 56 schools)
- Over Allotment in Teachers funded by Waiving Funds from Other Allotments (such as At-Risk Students, DSSF and Supplies)

FY 27 Budget Discussion

Local Budget Challenges

- Funding Needed to Offset Impact of Inflation
 - Most recent local funding increases earmarked for teacher supplements
 - Annual average CPI:
 - 2020 1.2%
 - 2021 4.7%
 - 2022 8.0%
 - 2023 4.1%
 - 2024 3.0%

FY 27 Budget Discussion

Local Budget Challenges

- Funding for Increases in Salaries and Benefits
- Funding Level Consistent with Peer Group
- Competitive Local Salary Supplement for our Teachers

FY 27 Budget Discussion

Federal Budget Challenges

- Uncertainty of Funding for Title II - Improving Teacher Quality - \$1.5M - Nine Academic Services Positions and Supplies
- Uncertainty of Funding for Title IV - Student Support - \$939K - Six Academic Services Positions and Supplies

Discussion

TSS Updates

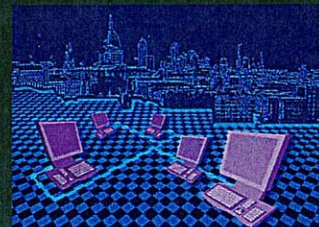
Curtis Poplin

Chief Technology Officer

TSS Updates

Present Monthly TSS Report

(copy provided in your folder)



Human Resources Updates

Beth Suber

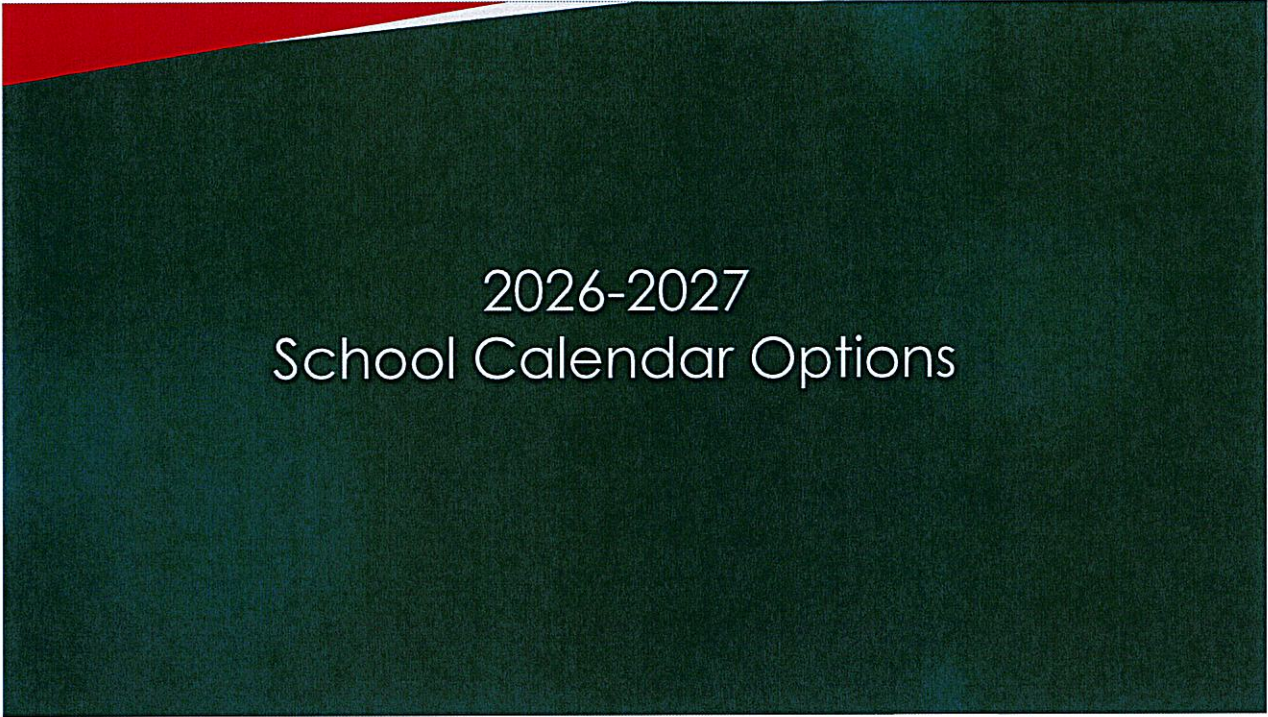
Executive Director of Human Resources

Human Resources Updates

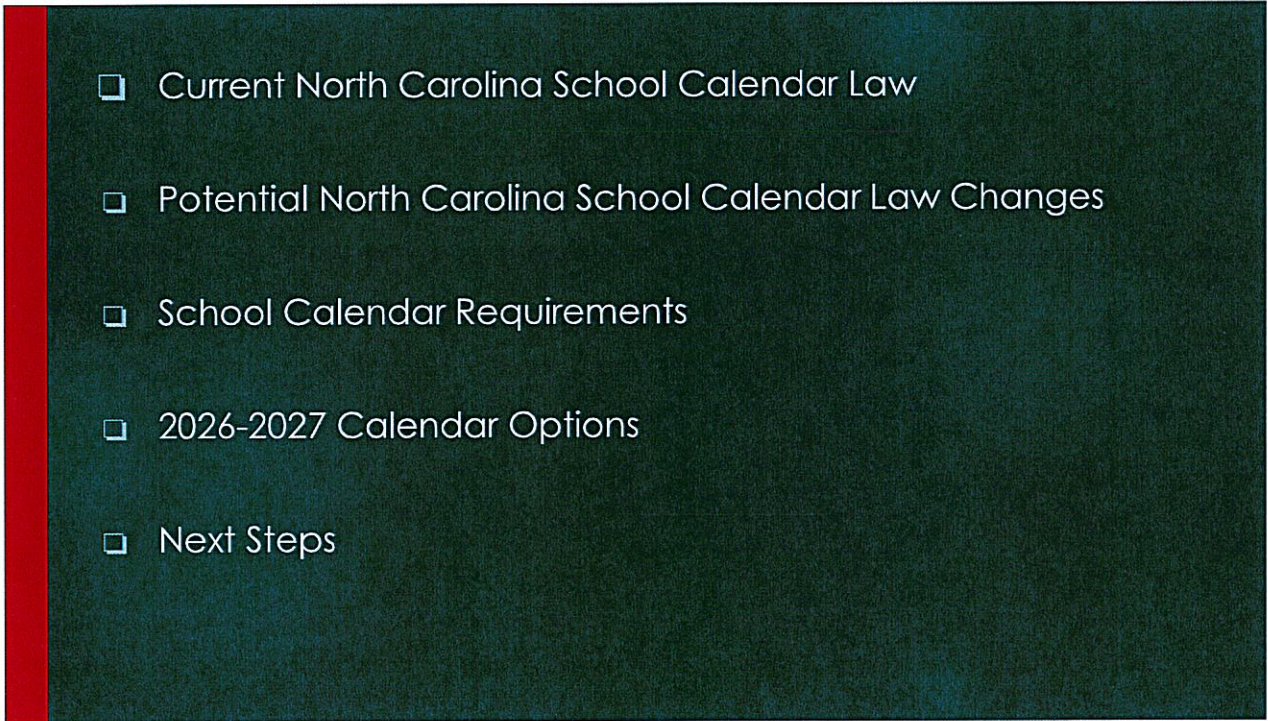
Present Monthly HR Report

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2026-2027 School Calendar Options

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- ❑ Current North Carolina School Calendar Law
 - ❑ Potential North Carolina School Calendar Law Changes
 - ❑ School Calendar Requirements
 - ❑ 2026-2027 Calendar Options
 - ❑ Next Steps

Current School Calendar Law

- 2012 Senate Bill 187 (Session Law 2012-145), applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year, rewrites a portion of the calendar law (General Statute 115C-84.2). Legislation: Session Law 2012-145, Senate Bill 187, Section 7A.11.
- § 115C-84.2. North Carolina General Statute regarding School Calendar Law

Potential Changes to the Current School Calendar Law

- ☐ Senate Bill 754
- ☐ "School Calendar Law Flexibility: A New Alternative"
- ☐ Would allow school to begin the Monday closest to August 19th
- ☐ Would require the end of school by the Friday before Memorial Day
- ☐ Requires balanced semesters
- ☐ Includes a penalty mechanism that could affect funding

Current School Calendar Law Requirements

- ☐ Start date no earlier than the Monday closest to August 26
- ☐ End date no later than the Friday closest to June 11
- ☐ *Dates can change with an approved weather related calendar waiver
- ☐ Veterans day shall be a holiday for all personnel and students enrolled in public schools

Current Calendar Law Requirements (continued)

- ☐ Calendar must cover at least 9 calendar months
- ☐ Must have a minimum of 185 days or 1,025 hours of instruction
- ☐ Must include at least 9 teacher workdays
- ☐ Must include 10 annual leave days for teachers

Current School Calendar Law Requirements (continued)

- ☐ Local Boards shall designate 2 workdays on which teachers may take annual leave
- ☐ Inclement weather days must be built into the calendar
- ☐ Must include the same or an equivalent number of legal holidays occurring within the calendar as those designated by the State Personnel Commission for State employees
- ☐ School shall not be held on Sunday

Professional Development

Due to overwhelming feedback from teachers, we have added days for Professional Development into all three calendar options.

Taking the day to allow educators to engage and process information in this setting was amazing. Thank you.

This was everything I needed! Thank you for giving us practical and necessary information and ideas for our classrooms that will help drive our instruction.

This was the best PD. I love how we got to work with our school team on things that are practical and help us with improving our instruction now.

I really liked getting to dive into the data from the check in and use that data to begin planning for the next week of reading instruction.

I think this was very needed with our teachers and an excellent use of time.

This was one of the most informative PDs I have attended. I appreciate the interactive activities at a table and not necessarily around the room. I liked having the time to collaborate with my team.

2026-2027 Draft School Calendars

Sample A Calendar

Gaston County Schools 2026-2027 Academic Calendar Worksheet

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Calendar Key

- Optional Teacher Workday
- Holiday
- Mandatory Teacher Workday
- Teacher Annual Leave
- Early Release/Teacher Conference
- End of Report Card Bookend
- First/Last Day of School

Calendar Information

- 215 Employee Days
- 176 Student Days - 85 First Semester + 91 Second Semester
- 42 days - First 42 - Second 42 - Third 42 - Fourth
- Semesters are balanced more days in second semester for inclement weather
- 1,050 Instructional Hours (1,025 hours required)
- 10 teacher annual leave days
- 11 state holidays for employees
- 12 Mandated Teacher Workdays
- 6 Optional Teacher Workdays
- Inclement Weather Makeup Days
 - December 21
 - January 14
 - March 25
 - April 14
 - April 2
 - April 1
 - March 31
- End of 9-Week Grading Periods
 - October 22, January 13, March 23, and June 8
- Report Cards Distributed
 - October 29, January 31, April 8, mailed by June 17
- Graduation Day is Friday, June 11
- October 22 and March 24 - Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal for Students)
- September 16, October 28, February 10, April 14 - Mandated Teacher Workday/Professional Development

SAMPLE A

- Mid-year break and exams in January
- Semesters are balanced

- 85 First Semester Days
- 91 Second Semester Days
- August 24, 2026 Start Date
- June 11, 2027 Graduation
- Mid-Year break and exams in January
- 176 student days; 1,050 instructional hours (1,025 hours required)
- September 16, October 28, February 10, and April 14: Mandated Teacher Workdays for PD

Sample B Calendar

Gaston County Schools

2026-2027 Academic Calendar Worksheet

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Calendar Information

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- 1,050 Instructional Hours (1,025 hours required)
- 10 teacher annual leave days
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- Inclement Weather Makeup Days:
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- End of 3-Week Grading Periods:
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SAMPLE B

Mid-year break and exams in December
 *Semesters are not balanced

Calendar Key:

- ☐ Optional Teacher Workday
- ☐ Holiday
- ☐ Mandated Teacher Workday
- ☐ Teacher Report Card Issue
- ☐ North-South Parent-Teacher Conference

Calendar Key:

- ☐ 2nd-6th Parent-Teacher Conference
- ☐ 7th-12th Day of School

Calendar templates prepared by Gaston County Public Information Department

- 77 First Semester Days
- 99 Second Semester Days
- August 24, 2026 Start Date
- June 11, 2027 Graduation
- Mid-Year Break with exams in December
- 176 student days; 1,050 instructional hours (1,025 hours required)
- September 16, October 28, February 10, and April 14: Mandated Teacher Workdays for PD

Sample C Calendar

Gaston County Schools 2026-2027 Academic Calendar Worksheet

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SAMPLE C

Early start in August; mid-year break and extra days in December (like 2025-26 calendar)

- 85 First Semester Days
- 91 Second Semester Days
- August 12, 2026 Start Date
- Friday, May 28, 2027 Graduation
- Mid-Year Break with exams in December
- 176 student days; 1,050 hours (1,025 hours required)
- September 16, October 28, February 10, and April 14: Mandated Teacher Workdays for PD

Next Steps

- ▶ Drafts of the calendars will be published on the GCS website for public comments and feedback
- ▶ Feedback and calendars will be presented at the December 15, 2025 Board meeting for approval.

Operations Updates

Bessie Harvey
Assistant Superintendent of Operations

Chapel Grove Permanent Easement

Buyer's Intent: Acquire and develop property adjacent to or near the Easement Area.

Permanent Easement:

- 30 feet wide sanitary sewer easement.
- Location shown on Exhibit A-2 (subject to revision after final design approval).

Temporary Easement:

- 10 feet wide on each side of the Permanent Easement.
- Intended for construction purposes only.

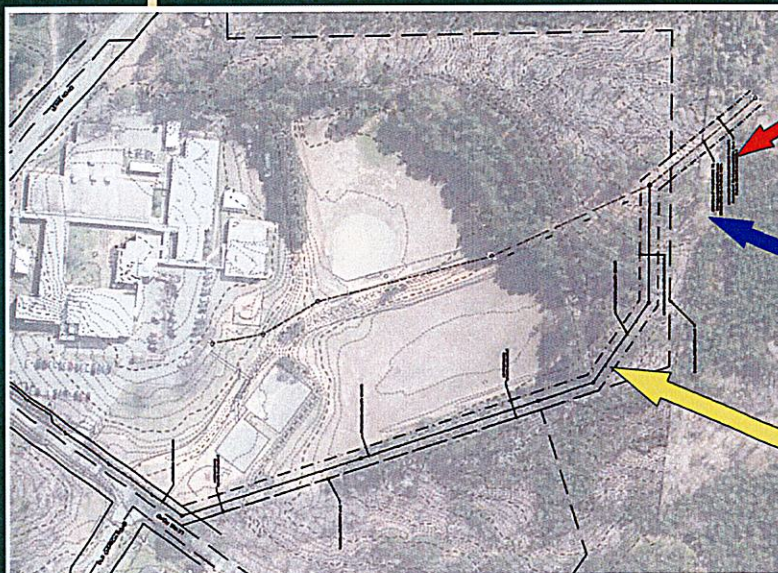
Buyer's Rights in Easement Area:

- Construction, installation, maintenance, inspection, removal, repair, replacement, reinstallation, and operation of sanitary sewer lines and related improvements.

Seller's Agreement:

- Upon Buyer's receipt of final approval of Improvements, the survey/plat replaces preliminary description.

Chapel Grove Permanent Easement



Existing private
off site Easement

Existing 8"
sewer pipe

Proposed 30 ft
Wide Easement

Cramerton MS Easement

Road work in front of Cramerton Middle School. 38.958 acres with road access

Right of Way acquired: ~0.332 acres

Temporary construction easement: ~0.066 acres

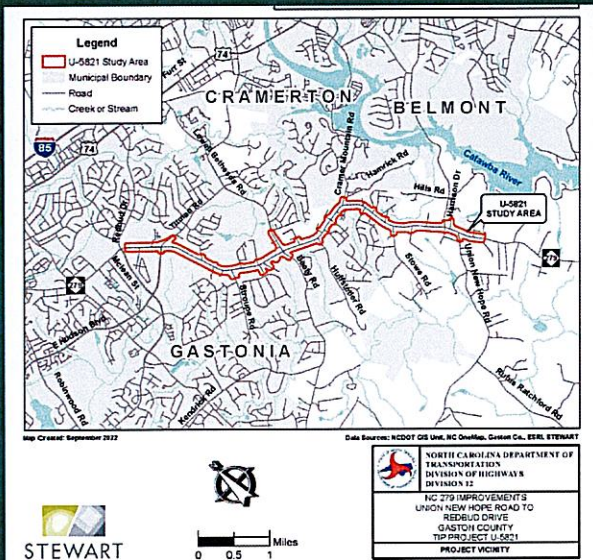
Permanent utility easement: ~0.128 acres

Compensation Breakdown

- Right of Way: **\$14,950**
- Permanent Easements: **\$5,175**
- Temporary Easement (rental): **\$1,200**
- Improvements acquired: **\$4,625**
- Damages/Benefits to remainder: **\$0**
- Total Contingent Offer: **\$25,950**

Improvement Include: *Asphalt paving, concrete curbing, landscaping*

Cramer MS Easement



State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Project Number U-5821 originally initiated in 2018, suspended in 2019, and reinitiated in August 2022, will upgrade N.C. 279 (South New Hope Road) from Union New Hope Road to Redbud Drive in Gastonia.

- widening N.C. 279 to a four-lane divided facility
- adding a multi-use path on both sides of N.C. 279
- utilizing reduced conflict intersections at several of the intersections on South New Hope Road

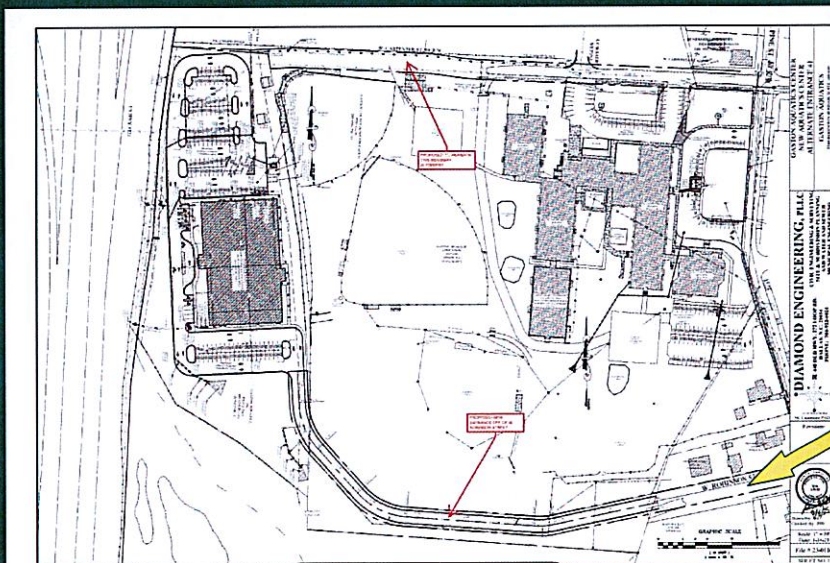
Hunter Huss HS Water Meter, General Drainage & Utilities Rights-of-Way/ Easement

Little Architect is proposing the installation of a water meter, water lines and drains and related utilities.

City of Gastonia will be maintained by the City.

City of Gastonia shall smooth and seed and disturbed areas of the property

Carr ES/Aquatic Center Service Road



Proposed Entrance
W. Robinson St.

Operations Updates

Security Vestibules

- Bids due on Thursday 12/4/25
- Added an 250,000K allowance added for (Cherryville ES) depending on the budgets

Operations Updates

CMAR (Contract Management @ Risk)

- RFQ was sent on April 1st
- 7 Architect firms submitted proposals
- Narrowed to 3 interviewed
 - Copper Carry
 - Mcmillan Pazdan Smith Architecture (MPS)
 - YCH Architects
- 1 on 1 interviews for the 2 (*Copper Carry, and Mcmillan Pazdan Smith Architecture (MPS)*)
- Mcmillan Pazdan Smith Architecture (MPS) -**Selected**

Contract Discussions

- Amendment #1 to Contract with Republic to Provide Trash Removal Services (School Nutrition and TSS Grier MS)
- Forestview HS Auditorium HVAC Replacement (***Repair and Renovation Funds***)
- Skylight panel tinting at Cramerton MS

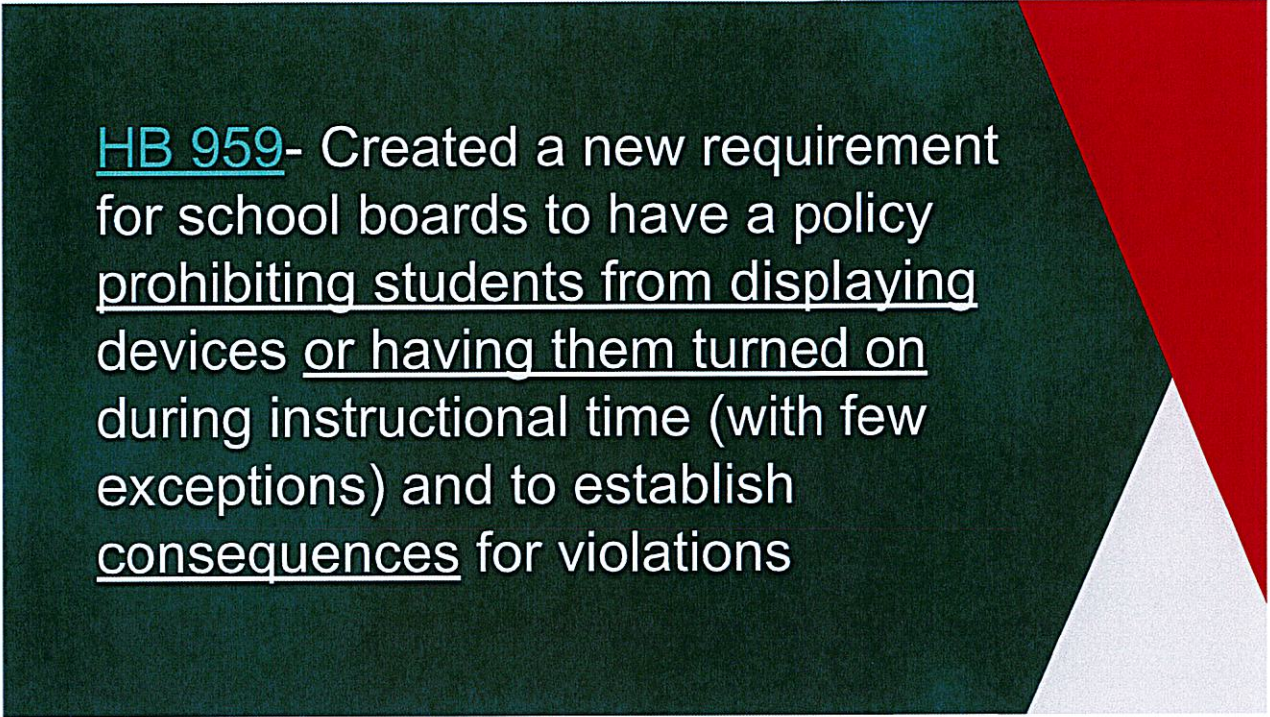
Contract Recommendation

- Motion to Recommend All Contracts for Approval at the Next Regular Board of Education Meeting

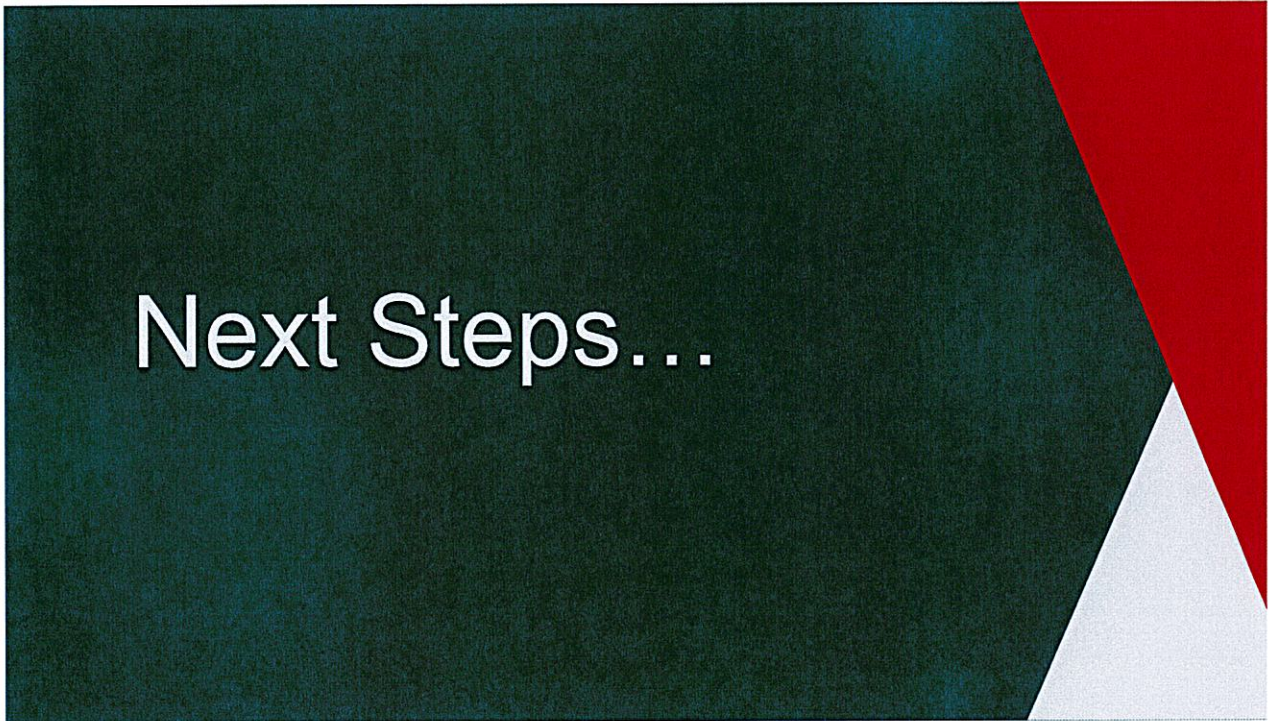
Legal/Policy Updates

Sonya McGraw
Board Attorney

Current GCS Policy
4318-Use of Wireless
Communication Devices



HB 959- Created a new requirement for school boards to have a policy prohibiting students from displaying devices or having them turned on during instructional time (with few exceptions) and to establish consequences for violations



Next Steps...

Other Business

- Superintendent Comments
- Next Operations Committee meeting will be on Monday, February 2nd at 8:30am in the Central Office Board Room (no meeting in January)
- Motion to **Adjourn**

Adjourn