

**GASTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
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Dr. Morgen A. Houchard, Superintendent

943 Osceola Street, Gastonia, NC 28054  
Monday, March 16, 2026  
5:30 p.m.  
Agenda  
Regular Meeting

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Character Trait - Honesty
- V. Agenda Adoption – Action
- VI. Good News – Information
- VII. Classroom Moment – Information
- VIII. Public Expression – Information
- IX. Approval/Correction of Minutes – Action  
February 16, 2026 (Regular Meeting)  
February 23, 2026 (2026-2027 Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes)  
March 11, 2026 (2026-2027 Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes)
- X. Operations Committee Report - Information
- XI. Curriculum & Instruction Committee Report - Information
- XII. Policy Committee Report - Information
- XIII. Superintendent's Budget Request 2026-2027 - Information

- XIV. Consent Agenda – Action  
Consent Agenda Item (s) will be adopted with a single motion, second vote, unless a request for removal from the Consent Agenda is heard from a Board Member.
- A. Recommended Personnel
  - B. Budget Amendments & Budget Transfers
  - C. Construction/Repair Change Orders
  - D. 2026-2027 Calendar Change
  - E. Reduction In Force (RIF)
  - F. High School Exam Schedule
  - G. ESS Contract
  - H. Proposed Renaming of Memorial Stadium to Henry Jones Stadium
  - I. Name Press Box at Fraley Field (Danny Eaker)
  - J. Proposed Naming of the Basketball Court at North Gaston HS
  - K. U-5821 051 (NCDOT) S. New Hope Rd. Widening
  - L. Contracts
    - 2026-2027 Academic Resources
    - Google Workspace
    - Selection Process for General Contractor
    - Cherryville ES Lighting Conversion
    - Lawn Care Services Amendment
    - Ida Rankin Rooftop Unit Replacement
    - Page Primary Rooftop Replacement
    - Stadium Field Maintenance
    - Stuart Cramer Baseball/Softball Field Renovations
- XV. Superintendent’s Comments
- XVI. Closed Session – Information  
— N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3) Consultation with Attorney  
— N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6) Personnel
- XVII. Adjournment