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Dr. Morgen A. Houchard, Superintendent

943 Osceola Street, Gastonia, NC 28054
Monday, September 21, 2026
5:30 p.m.
Agenda
Regular Meeting

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Character Trait - Respect
- V. Agenda Adoption – Action
- VI. Good News – Information
- VII. Presentation of 2025-2026 State Test Results - Information
- VIII. September Classroom Moment: Innovation Schools Highlight - High-quality PLCs -Information
- IX. Public Expression – Information
- X. Approval/Correction of Minutes – Action
August 17, 2026 (Regular Meeting)
- XI. Operations and Curriculum & Instruction Joint Committee Report - Information
- XII. Policy Committee Report - Information
- XIII. 2026-2027 Budget Resolution - Action

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. Board Policy Updates

E. 2026-2027 Local Testing Plan

F. Contracts

- CTE Contract - Xello
- Belmont Central Boiler Plant Replacement
- Amendment to Zone 2 Lawn Care Contract
- Amendment to Zone 3 Lawn Care Contract
- Amendment Lingerfeldt ES Lighting Contract
- Amendment to South Point HS and Bessemer City HS Baseball Stadium Press Box & Concessions Building Design
- Hawks Nest RTU Replacements
- WB Beam Multistage RTU Replacement

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