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**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Board Meeting – Commons Meeting Room**  
**December 2, 2014**

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The Stanly County Board of Education met on Tuesday, December 2, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Commons Meeting Room located at 1000 North First Street.

**Attendance:** Board members in attendance were, Chairman Dr. Angela Mills, Mitzie Almond, Mike Barbee, Lonnie Chandler, Tracy Lowder Oliver, Todd Swaringen, and Sherry Vaughn. Others in attendance included Superintendent, Dr. Terry Griffin; Associate Superintendent, Dr. Sandra Carter; Director of Finance and Auxiliary Services, Bill Josey; and Board Attorney, Mark Lowder.

Superintendent Dr. Terry Griffin called the meeting to order and Mr. Mike Barbee gave the invocation.

**Men and Women of North:** Dr. Terry Griffin introduced Ms. Aza Hudson, choral director, and the *Men and Women of North* who performed several arrangements of seasonal music.

**Oath of Office:** Superior Court Judge Kevin Bridges administered the oath of office to newly elected and re-elected board members, Todd Swaringen, and Sherry Vaughn.

**Election of Chairperson:** With Superintendent Dr. Terry Griffin presiding, the floor was opened for nominations for Chairperson. Mr. Lonnie Chandler made a motion to nominate Dr. Angela Mills. On a motion by Mr. Todd Swaringen and seconded by Ms. Mitzie Almond, the nominations were closed and Dr. Angela Mills was elected chairperson by acclamation.

**Election of Vice Chairperson:** Chairman Dr. Angela Mills opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson. A motion was made by Ms. Mitzie Almond to nominate Mr. Todd Swaringen. On a motion by Ms. Mitzie Almond and second by Ms. Tracy Lowder Oliver, the nominations were closed and Mr. Todd Swaringen was elected vice chairperson by acclamation.

**Recognition of Years of Service:** Dr. Terry Griffin recognized Mr. Jeff Chance for his dedication and years of service on Stanly County Schools Board of Education .

**Recognition of Stanly County Schools Educational Foundation Inc. Mini Grant Winners:** Dr. Terry Griffin introduced Ms. Shannon Batcher to recognize the Foundation Board of Directors members: Saundra Huneycutt, President, Charles Brown, President Elect, Al Taylor, Secretary, Dr. Beth Hopkins, Dr. Harold McDonald, Theresa Troutman, and Eddie Wall.

Dr. Terry Griffin informed the Board that on November 10, 2014 the following mini-grant recipients for 2014-2015 were announced: Kimlen Gray, “Magnificent Microscopes”; Ashley Furr, Jill Dry, Joellen Teeter, “Literacy for All”; Vivian Bridges, “Engineering with Robotics”; Jessica Alvarez, “Marching Percussion for Our Band”; Kathy Haynes, “Let’s Get Filming”; and Vanessa Shields, “CORE Skills Success”.

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**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the November 4, regular meeting were approved as presented

**Committee Reports:** Chairman Dr. Angela Mills called for committee reports as follows:

Instructional Program – Dr. Angela Mills – No report.

Facilities – Mr. Mike Barbee – No report.

Finance – Mrs. Mitzie Almond – No report.

Personnel – Mr. Lonnie Chandler – No report.

Policy – Dr. Terry Griffin presented 22 policies, which have been tabled for 30 days, for final approval:

- Policy # 2040-A – Technology Guidelines for Accepting Technology Donations
- Policy # 2123 – Board Member Opportunities for Development
- Policy # 3110 – Field Trips and Excursions
- Policy # 3320 – School Trips
- Policy # 3560 – Title I Parent Involvement and Family Engagement
- Policy # 4050 - A – Children of Military Families
- Policy # 4260 – Student Sex Offenders
- Policy # 5000 – Equal Employment Opportunities
- Policy # 5010 – Protection Against Sex Discrimination Title IX
- Policy # 5022 – Registered Sex Offenders
- Policy # 5070 – Drug and Alcohol Testing of Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators
- Policy # 5070 – R – Drug and Alcohol Testing of Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators Regulations and Procedures
- Policy # 5125 – Personnel Files
- Policy # 5126 – Public Record – Retention, Release, and Disposition
- Policy # 5300 – Recruitment and Selection
- Policy # 5310 – Contract for Teachers
- Policy # 5331 – Plans for Growth and Improvement of Licensed Employees
- Policy # 5360 – Resignation
- Policy # 5365 – Teacher Dismissal, Demotion, and Non-Renewal
- Policy # 5370 – Professional Personnel Reduction in Force
- Policy # 5500 – Classified Personnel
- Policy # 8005 – Network Security

On a motion by Mr. Lonnie Chandler and seconded by Ms. Mitzie Almond, the Board approved voting for all policies at once. On a motion by Mr. Todd Swaringen and seconded by Ms. Mitzie Almond, the Board approved all policies as presented.

Legislative Resource Network (LRN) – Dr. Terry Griffin – No report

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**College Advising Corps:** Dr. Terry Griffin and Ms. Vicki Calvert informed the Board that AHS received notification concerning a possible partnership with Davidson College and College Advising Corps providing a full time, 40 hour a week, advisor at AHS during the 2015-16 school year. The advisor will work with the school counselor, teachers, and administrators to assist students in selecting colleges, prepare admission forms, and financial aid paperwork. The advisor will be employed by Davidson College with no cost to the county. On a motion by Mr. Todd Swaringen and seconded by Ms. Mitzie Almond, the Board approved the partnership with Davidson College.

**BOE Work Session:** Dr. Terry Griffin reminded the Board that due to the NCSBA Annual Conference the previously scheduled work session in November was cancelled. After a brief discussion the Board scheduled the work session for Tuesday, December 16 at 5:30 PM. Dr. Terry Griffin asked the Board to email her topics they would like on the agenda.

**Curriculum and Instruction:**

- Dr. Sandra Carter presented the Board with a PowerPoint presentation titled *2014 Academic Report to Board of Education*. The presentation reviewed the components that make up the school report cards and anticipated report card grades at each school. Grades are expected to be released in February and will be presented to the Board at that time.
- Dr. Sandra Carter proposed an early release after the first semester exams. Early College High School exam date is scheduled for December 19, 2014 and requesting a release time for students of 12:30 PM. The traditional high schools, and because of shared bussing the four middle schools and Stanly Academy on January 21, 2014 releasing at 1:00 PM. On a motion by Mrs. Mitzie Almond and seconded by Mrs. Tracy Lowder Oliver, the proposed early release dates were approved.
- Ms. Mandy Melton, CTE Coordinator, presented information addressing the gains students achieved during the 2013-2014 school year earning CTE credentials that are currently offered through Stanly County Schools CTE program.
- Dr. Sandra Carter highlighted events in 4 elementary schools throughout the district. Locust Elementary was selected to participate in a state wide program sponsored by Stanford University and NCDPI titled *Understanding Language*. Selected teachers will concentrate on 4<sup>th</sup> grade math curriculum, and will share information with all schools in the future. Millingport Elementary displayed a writing wall titled “Be Thankful” to promote writing throughout all grade levels. Millingport’s Christmas program will be at the Agri Civic Center on December 11, 2014 beginning at 6:00 PM. East Albemarle will host their annual Christmas program on December 15, 2014 at 6:30 PM at the school. Central Elementary and Pfeiffer University received a Dollar General Grant in the amount of \$3990.00. The grant will train Pfeiffer University teacher candidates to work directly with students to increase the number of students proficient in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading.

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**Personnel, Administration, and Student Services:** Dr. Sandra Carter presented the personnel agenda as follows:

**SECTION I - Personnel Matters** (No action required) – The following items were provided for information: (A) Certified Resignation; (B) Classified Resignations

**SECTION II - Personnel Matters** (Action required) – (A) Recommendation for Certified Personnel; (B) Recommendation for Transfer of Classified Personnel; (C) Recommendation for Reassignment for Classified Personnel; (D) Recommendation for Substitute Teachers; (E) Recommendation for Child Nutrition Substitutes; (F) Recommended for Custodian Substitutes. On a motion by Mr. Todd Swaringen and seconded by Mr. Lonnie Chandler, the Board voted to approve Section II.

**Finance and Auxiliary Services:** Mr. Bill Josey discussed the following information with the Board.

- The financial audits were completed in October and a comprehensive annual report will be mailed to the Board.
- Mr. Bill Josey will be sending request for proposals to auditors and firms that do governmental audits. Audit contracts proposals must be done every three years.
- Piedmont Natural Gas sent a letter concerning space needed to form a permanent easement or temporary workspace on the property at SSHS. Mr. Bill Josey has requested a meeting with Mr. Stephen Frey to determine the location on the property that is affected.

**Public Comments:** Nathan Davis would like to identify himself to the Board as a part of the parent group concerning the AHS football team. Mr. Davis would like to discuss the finding with the Board at a later date if they deem it appropriate.

**Superintendent Comments:** Dr. Terry Griffin thanked Dr. Sandra Carter, the Instructional Department, staff, and teachers for the work they have done aligning the curriculum and pacing guides with the new state curriculum.

**Board Member Comments:** Board member comments included thank you to NSHS for their performance, and for community groups coming forward and speaking to the Board of their concerns. Congratulations to the newly elected Board members, Chair, and Vice Chair.

**Next Board Meeting:** The next regular monthly meeting will be January 6, 2015 in the Commons Meeting Room located at 1000 N First Street.

**Closed Session for Student Matters and Attorney-Client Matters:** On a motion by Mr. Todd Swaringen and seconded by Ms. Mitzie Almond, the Board entered into closed

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session at 8:15 PM for the purpose of discussing student matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(1), personnel matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6), and attorney-client matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3).

Board members reconvened in open session at 9:04 PM.

On a motion by Mr. Mike Barbee and seconded by Ms. Tracy Lowder Oliver, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Angela Mills, Chairman

Terry F. Griffin, Secretary