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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Board Meeting – Commons Meeting Room
March 5, 2013

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The Stanly County Board of Education met on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at 7:00 PM in the Commons Meeting Room located at 1000 North First Street.

Attendance: Board members in attendance were Melvin Poole, Jeff Chance, Grant Allen, Mike Barbee, Dr. Angela Mills, Vicky Watson, Lonnie Chandler, Mitzie Almond, and Tracy Lowder. Others in attendance included Superintendent Terry Griffin, Assistant Superintendent Sandra Carter, Director of Finance and Auxiliary Services Bill Josey, and Board Attorney Mark Lowder.

Chairman Melvin Poole called the meeting to order and Dr. Angela Mills gave the invocation.

Presentation by the Richfield Chorus: Students in the Richfield School Chorus, led by music teacher Daniel Dickens, performed several musical selections.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the January 22, 2013 work session and February 5, 2013 regular meeting were approved as presented.

Committee Reports: Chairman Melvin Poole called for committee reports as follows:

Instructional Program – Dr. Angela Mills- No Report

Facilities – Grant Allen reported that the committee met on February 11, 2013 and agenda items included the following:

- Discussion was had and the committee approved for the WSMS PTO to purchase and install an awning at WSMS, between mobile units, at no cost to the school system.
- Toby Thorpe, Albemarle Parks and Recreation, was present at the Facilities meeting to request access of Parkway Street, from the future Jesse F. Niven Community Center, via the East Albemarle School staff parking area. The committee approved the request subject to a legal review. Mr. Allen noted that this access will create a loss of parking spaces, but in return for the loss, they would authorize East Albemarle school staff parking in a row of 17 spaces in a location adjacent to the school parking area. As recommended by the Facilities Committee, the Board approved the request subject to a legal review.
- Discussion was had in reference to a request from Stanly Community College to utilize space at the West Main facility for a long term lease. Members agreed they were open to the idea of possibly allowing Stanly Community College to utilize space at the West Main facility. Further discussion will be had at a later time on this matter.

Finance – Mike Barbee—No report

Personnel – Vicky Watson reported that the committee met in closed session on February 18, 2013.

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Policy – Jeff Chance presented the following revised and new policies for final approval:

- As recommended by the Policy Committee, the Board approved revised Policy #6100- Transportation
- As recommended by the Policy Committee, the Board approved revised Policy #4040 – Student Transportation
- As recommended by the Policy Committee, the Board approved revised Policy #4090 – Student Grievances
- As recommended by the Policy Committee, the Board approved new Policy #5036- Staff Responsibilities, Code of Ethics, and Standards Code of Conduct
- As recommended by the Policy Committee, the Board approved revised Policy #4025 – Student Transfers, which will be concurrent with the 2013-2014 school year

Mr. Chance then deferred to Dr. Griffin who referred members to the calculated capacities listing they were given for the 2013-2014 school year. Dr. Griffin stated that schools calculated to be at or above 85% expected capacity for the 2013-2014 school year are: Central, Richfield, NSMS, & WSMS. Dr. Griffin made the recommendation that the only schools we have open for consideration of accepting student transfers be those schools that are less than 85% capacity. Dr. Angela Mills made a motion, seconded by Lonnie Chandler, and after some brief discussion the Board voted and approved the superintendent's recommendation. Grant Allen & Mike Barbee voted in opposition.

Legislative Resource Network – Dr. Griffin let members know that the Senate Education Committee will meet tomorrow and they will be considering several senate bills in reference to digital learning. Dr. Griffin pointed out that digital learning was being pushed at the state level as an effective way to utilize resources in schools.

Instructional Services: Dr. Carter provided members with a brief curriculum update on the following:

- Specialized learning sites- The instructional team is moving forward and currently looking at the course offerings within each high school. The team is also in the process of preparing a 3-5 year implementation plan, to include online learning, and present at a future Board meeting.
- Common Exams- Exams would now include questions that are open ended and these will have to be scored by teachers using a state developed rubric. This will be much more time consuming in administering tests and there will also be testing in thirty more subject areas at the end of this school year. Due to the timing crunch with high schools, they are preparing a schedule on how to administer tests and accomplish all tasks associated with testing and graduation. Dr. Carter stated that part of that schedule may include a request for an additional early release day if high schools see the need to do

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so. This schedule and any request would be presented to the Board at the April meeting.

Personnel and Student Services: Dr. Carter presented the personnel agenda as follows:

SECTION I - Personnel Matters (No action required) – The following items were provided for information: (A) Certified Resignations; (B) Classified Resignations; and (C) Recommendation for Classified Reassignment.

SECTION II - Personnel Matters (Action required) – The following item was deferred to closed session for discussion: (A) Recommendation for Certified Employment.

On a motion by Mitzie Almond and second by Jeff Chance, the Board approved the following personnel recommendations: (B) Recommendation for Classified Employment; (C) Recommendation for Certified Termination; (D) Recommendation for Teacher Substitute; (E) Recommendation for Food Service Substitute; (F) Recommendation for Instructional Technology Substitute; (G) Recommendation for Title I Tutors; (H) Recommendation for Bus Substitute; (I) Recommendation for Contracted Services; (J) Recommendation for Consulting/Contract Services; and (K) Other.

Finance and Auxiliary Services: Bill Josey- No report.

Public Comments: Cindy Haymond wanted to publicly thank all of the Board members who had recently been visible in visiting schools as well as encouraging all Board members to continue in being visible.

James Policastro commented on his hopes that all members had been able to read the redistricting study and that he hoped it would not be shelved.

Superintendent Comments: Dr. Griffin updated members on the meetings held in reference to the strategic plan update, reporting that the first District Planning Committee meeting would be held on Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 5:30 PM. Dr. Griffin also mentioned that this week was Severe Weather Preparedness Week, National School Breakfast Week, and Social Worker Recognition Week. Dr. Griffin thanked the Child Nutrition department and school social workers for all they do in our schools for students. Dr. Griffin then shared that Alcoa will be contributing \$500 for each high school valedictorian for this school year, offering her thanks to the Alcoa Foundation for this contribution.

Board Member Comments: Board member comments included compliments and thanks to the Richfield Chorus students and Mr. Dickens on their performance this evening and thanks to school social workers for all the work they do with students.

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Next Board Meeting: The next regular meeting will be April 9, 2013 and will be held in the Staff Development Room of the Central Office. Prior to the start of the regular Board meeting, a public hearing on the 2013-2014 budget would begin at 6:30 PM.

Closed Session for Student Matters and Attorney-Client Matters: On a motion by Jeff Chance and second by Vicky Watson, the Board entered into closed session at 7:50 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 8:25 PM.

On a motion by Grant Allen and second by Vicky Watson members approved Section II (A) Recommendation of Certified Employment of the personnel agenda.

On a motion by Jeff Chance and second by Mike Barbee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Melvin Poole, Chairman

Terry F. Griffin, Secretary